Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minutes WEDNESDAY, February 24, 2010

Commissioners and staff present:

Steve Beaudin deLinda Brown-Jagne, Board Administrator Edith Goodmaster Steve Schwane, DCP Legal Counsel

Mary Inguanti

William Summa, Chair

Absent:

Fred Vegliante
Jean C. Mulvihill

Others present:

Shazia Ali Tonna Alimole
Jayasree Dokku Swati Gosavi
Mehdi Ibnoulkhatib Nadia Khartabil
Kammuluri Ratna Kumar Judith Mangamba
Wendy Mikolinski Lisa C. Miller
Larry Gardner Troy J. Ruff
Matthew Szoka Catherine Tom

Peter Tyczkowski

Meeting Called to Order at 10:00 a.m. State Office Building

165 Capitol Avenue, Room 126

Hartford, Connecticut

Interview of Reciprocity Candidates

Chairman Summa provided an overview of the reasons why the following questions are asked during the interview process. The reasons for the interview includes to ensure proper communication skills since the pharmacist will need to interact with patients and consumers, as well as give the pharmacist an opportunity to explain past experience and/or any disciplinary action.

The questions asked by the Commission are:

- 1. Have you ever been before a Board?
- 2. Have you ever had a problem with drugs or alcohol?
- 3. Why are you seeking licensure in Connecticut?
- 4. What is Connecticut's CE requirement?
- 5. What is the pharmacy technician ratio for Connecticut.

Jennifer A. Arno Landsdale, PA

Hilary Thibault Fletcher East Falmouth, MA

Swati Vishwas Gosavi Manassas, VA

Bryan J. Hubel Pawtucket, RI Cheryl Krempa Basking Ridge, NJ

Lisa C. Miller Rowayton, CT

Catherine Tom Weston, CT

Maryann T. Ukhueduan Hillside, NJ

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 4-0 was passed approving the above applicants for licensure by reciprocity.

First Time Managers

Commissioner Summa summarized the responsibilities of those appearing as first-time pharmacy managers and the reason for their appearance before the Commission. (A handout which has answers to questions first-time managers may have will be sent via e-mail directly to the pharmacists who appear today.) Commissioner Summa also emphasized the importance of the pharmacy manager's role as opposed to the front-store manager (in many retail settings).

Commissioner Inguanti provided first-time managers with a brief overview of reporting errors and the MedWatch program. (A link to the web site will be sent to these managers via e-mail as well.)

Shazia Ali Rite Aid Pharmacy #1839

PCT.10237 West Haven

Tonna C. Alimole CVS/Pharmacy #1154

PCT.11084 Norwalk

Mehdi Ibnoulkhatib Wal-Mart Pharmacy #10-3548

PCT.11244 Waterbury

Nadia Khartabil CVS/Pharmacy #1149

PCT.10917 Norwalk

Matthew Szoka Wal-mart PCT.10755 Bristol

Application for Pharmacy Internship

Jayasree Dokku Kammuluri Ratna Kumar Judith Mangamba

Commission action: The above applicants were accepted for internships as foreign pharmacy graduates.

New Pharmacy Applications

Shop Rite Pharmacy of Shelton 875 Bridgeport Avenue Shelton, CT 06848

Lawrence Gardner, PIC

Pharmacy Remodel

Genoa Healthcare of Connecticut, LLC 165 State Street, Fl 2 New London, CT 06320

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 4-0 was passed approving the above new pharmacy application and remodel.

Legal Matters

DN 09-1260 This case is almost identical to a case approved by the Commission last year. The pharmacist in this second case, Jeffrey Carrera, applied for licensure by reciprocity. On his application, he failed to disclose formal disciplinary action taken against his Rhode Island pharmacist license. He answered "no" on the question asking about past disciplinary actions. This pharmacist had two past cases in Rhode Island. In 1988, he received a stayed suspension and was placed on probation for one year for illegal use of the drug Tenuate. In 1995, he received a Letter of Reprimand for a prescription error.

The pharmacist claimed he thought the second matter was expunged from his record after completion of the probation. He gave no reason for his failure to include the prescription error case on his application. After reviewing this matter, the Department and Commissioner Beaudin believe that the same penalties imposed against the other pharmacist should apply to this pharmacist. The approved agreement delays the issuance of the Connecticut license for six months and imposes a \$1,000 civil penalty.

Request for CE Waivers, etc.

Dilara Baunach is requesting an extension to complete her live CEs as the written CEs have been obtained. *request approved;* 60-day extension

Kevin Dion is requesting that he complete CEs for 2009 in 2010. request approved; 90-day extension

Steven B. Hall is requesting CEs obtained from several medical conferences be accepted toward his 2009 requirement. *request approved; CME credits are accepted*

Jason Ostrosky is requesting an extension to complete his CE requirement as he completed the materials in 2009 but provided them to his employer electronically in 2010. *request approved;* 30-day extension

Meenal Pai is requesting consideration of two workshops/meetings in order to fulfill her CE requirement. *request approved*

Miscellaneous

None

Approval of Minutes

Approval of January 2010 minutes

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 4-0 was passed approving the above minutes.

Non-Resident Pharmacy Applications

ACCRX Inc. d/b/a America's Compounding Center 153 California Street Newton, MA 02458

Almac Clinical Services, LLC 4204 Technology Drive Durham, NC 27704

GREER Pharmacy 639 Nuway circle Lenoir, NC 28645

Hometech Therapies 1365 Wiley Road, Ste 149 Schaumburg, IL 60173

McQuade's Marketplace Pharmacy 106 Main Street Westerly, RI 02891

Omnicare CIC – Spartanburg 348-A East Blackstock Road Spartanburg, SC 29301

Oncomed Pharmaceutical Services of MA, Inc. 150 Bear Hill Road Waltham, MA 02451

United States Pharmaceutical Distributors, Inc. 1025 N. Mill Street "C"
Lewisville, TX 75057

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 4-0 was passed approving the above non-resident pharmacy applications.

Adjournment