

**Commission of Pharmacy**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**WEDNESDAY, April 28, 2010**

**Commissioners and staff present:**

Steve Beaudin	deLinda Brown-Jagne, Board Administrator
Jim Cangelosi	Steve Schwane, DCP Legal Counsel
Edith Goodmaster	
Mary Inguanti	
William Summa, Chair	
Fred Vegliante	

**Others present:**

Smitha Addagada	Raj Appalaneni
Sai Chalasani	Robert Giuliano
Jennifer Harwell	Kenneth Lee
Bradley Lynn	Sirisha Mallidi
David Morizio	Mark Nagel
Karla Nieforth	Michael Palkimas
Lopa Pandya	Lalitha Pasupuleti
Mansi Patel	Miguel Paxi
Veer Raju Pilla	Ryan Publiese
Mark Roberts	Denise Romeo
Steven Shive	Munawar Hussain Syed
Mythili Tarala	Abraham Tharakan
Arthur Tipton	Peter Tyczkowski
Sharada Vemula	Gunars Tim Viliniskis
Bob Wollenberg	Srinivasa Reddy Yannam
Chandra Yellinedi	

**Meeting Called to Order**

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. What is Connecticut's CE requirement?
4. What is the pharmacy technician ratio for Connecticut?
5. Why are you seeking licensure in Connecticut?

\*Brenda Butler  
Vader, WA

\*Madhavi Duddella  
Grand Blac, MI 48439

Jennifer Harwell  
Avon, CT

Bradley Lynn  
Waterbury, CT

\*Aicha Alaoui Mdaghri  
Jersey City, NJ

\*Anitha Merugu  
Grand Blanc, MI

Veer Raju Pilla  
Plainsboro, NJ

Mythili Tarala  
Bristol, CT

\*denotes candidates interviewed by telephone

**Commission action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Beaudin, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 6-0 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.)

Smitha Addagada  
PCT.11457

Hancock Pharmacy  
Bridgeport

Kenneth Lee  
PCT.9176

Norwalk Pharmacy  
Norwalk

Sirisha Mallidi  
PCT.11527

Candlewood Drugs  
New Fairfield

David Morizio  
PCT.11045

CVS/Pharmacy  
New Britain

Lopa Pandya  
PCT.10620

Rite Aid

Lalitha Pasupuleti  
PCT.11276

Hancock Pharmacy  
New Haven

Mansi Patel  
PCT.10959

CVS/Pharmacy #1148  
Cheshire

Ryan Pugliese  
PCT.10513

Walgreens  
Torrington

Mark Roberts  
PCT.10778

CVS/Pharmacy  
Bridgeport

Steven Shive, Jr.  
PCT.11089

Walgreens #10310  
Stamford

Abraham Tharakan  
PCT.11413

Target Pharmacy  
Trumbull

Gunars Tim Vilinskis  
PCT.6401

CVS/Pharmacy  
New Milford

Chandra Yellinedi  
PCT.11229

Hancock Pharmacy  
Middletown

### **Application for Pharmacy Internship**

\*\*Praveen Kaluvala  
Munawar Syed  
Sharaba Vemula  
Srinivasa Yannam

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

\*\*need to verify original FPGEC documentation

### **New Pharmacy Applications**

Candlewood Drugs  
11 Route 37  
New Fairfield, CT 06812

Sirisha Mallidi, PIC

Hancock Pharmacy IV  
500 Sylvan Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT 06606

Smitha Addagada, PIC

Hancock Pharmacy V  
644 Main Street  
Middletown, CT 06457

Chandra Yelinedi, PIC

Hancock Pharmacy VI  
95 Wakelee Avenue  
Ansonia, CT

Saikrishna Chalasani, PIC

Hancock Pharmacy VII  
306 Grand Avenue  
New Haven, CT 06513

Lalitha Pasupuleti, PIC

Norwalk Pharmacy, LLC  
250 Westport Avenue  
Norwalk, CT 06851

Kenneth Lee, PIC

Shoprite Pharmacy of Hamden  
2100 Dixwell Avenue  
Hamden, CT 06514

Denise Romeo, PIC

Walgreens #12338  
311 East Main Street  
Middletown, CT 06457

Michael Caruk, PIC

**Pharmacy Remodel**

\*\*\*Beacon Prescriptions  
57 South Street  
Bristol, CT 06010

Robert Wollenberg, PIC

Shop Rite of West Hartford  
46 Kane Street  
West Hartford, CT 06119

Miguel Paxi, PIC

\*\*\**After review of plans, Commission suggested and PIC agreed he will reappear with finalized plans in May.*

**Pharmacy Relocations**

**\*\*\*\*Bridgeport Pharmacy  
PCY.2115**

**From:**  
970 East Main Street  
Bridgeport, CT 06608

**To:**  
978 East Main Street  
Bridgeport, CT 06608

\*\*\**Rescheduled to appear at May meeting*

**Bryce Rx Laboratories, Inc.  
PCY.1773**

**From:**  
76 Progress Drive  
Stamford, CT 06902

**To:**  
30 Buxton Farms Road  
Stamford, CT 06905

**Commission action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the above new pharmacy applications, remodel and relocations unless otherwise noted.

### **Legal Matters**

**DN 10-233** The Drug Control Division cited this pharmacy for:

- 1) using a prescription drop box that allowed access to deposited items from outside the pharmacy prescription department and allowed access when a pharmacist was not present; and
- 2) disclosing a customer's confidential pharmacy information.

*The Commission approved a total penalty of \$2,000.*

**DN 10-249** Grannick's Pharmacy (PCY.728)

**10-282** CVS #2099 (PCY.1792)

**10-285** Wal-Mart 10-2170 (PCY.1519)

**10-286** Wal-Mart 10-2719 (PCY.1765)

**10-299** CVS #750 (PCY.1234)

These pharmacies breached patient confidentiality by giving a prescription to the wrong person.

*Each pharmacy is paying a \$500 civil penalty.*

**DN 10-233** The Drug Control Division cited Target Pharmacy T-1373 (PCY.1795) for:

- 1) using a prescription drop box that allowed access to deposited items from outside the pharmacy prescription department and allowed access when a pharmacist was not present; and
- 2) disclosing a customer's confidential pharmacy information.

*The Commission approved a total penalty of \$2,000.*

**DN 10-284** The Drug Control Division cited CVS #2584 (PCY.1766) for:

- 1) being negligent in the home delivery and subsequent loss of controlled substances; and
- 2) failing to report a change of pharmacist manager.

*The Commission approved a total penalty of \$1,500.*

### **Request for CE Program Approval**

*"Management and Treatment of Gout: Beyond the Big Toe"*

Amie Kim, PharmD

Hartford Hospital

80 Seymour Street

Hartford, CT 06102

June 24, 2010

1.0 Hour Live CE/0.1 CEU

*"Sexually Transmitted Diseases"*

Michael Nailor, PharmD

Hartford Hospital

80 Seymour Street

Hartford, CT 06102

1.0 Hour Live CE/0.1 CEU

(60-day advance notice not provide; will approve with change of date)

*"Beta-Lactams and Penicillin-Allergic Patients"*

Ashley Wilde, PharmD

Hartford Hospital

80 Seymour Street

Hartford, CT 06102

June 10, 2010  
1.0 Hour Live CE/0.1 CEU

*“Tag You’re It! A Regulatory Update to the Survey Process”*

Ruth West, Devanshi Sha, Steve Polymeros, Fran Hoh

Partners Pharmacy

70 Jackson Drive

Cranford, NJ 07016

June 17, 2010

5.0 Hours Live CE/0.5 CEU

*Above programs approved unless otherwise noted.*

### **Request for CE Waivers, etc.**

Jimsheed Shahriar, Pharm.D., is pursuing an MD degree and would like for his enrollment at the Ross University School of Medicine to be used in lieu of fulfilling the annual CE requirement. The duration of this request is through calendar year 2013.

*Request is approved for 2010; licensee must apply annually*

### **Miscellaneous**

Commissioner Inguanti thanked Steve Schwane for his assistance, as well as Drug Control Agents’ Brooks and Marriott, in creating new questions for the MPJE (Connecticut’s law exam). Commissioner Inguanti also notified the attendees of a drug take-back program being held at St. Francis Hospital on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Goodmaster notified the attendees of drug disposal programs that took place in Plainville and Higganum and also noted upcoming events in Groton, Southington and the New Haven area.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Approval of March minutes

**Commission action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the above minutes.

### **Non-Resident Pharmacy Applications**

Allergychoices Pharmacy  
2800 National Drive, Suite 100  
Onalaska, WI 54650

Americare Pharmacy Services  
621 East 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite D  
Cookeville, TN 38501

Chem Rx  
790 Park Place

Long Beach, NY 11561

Diabetic Care Services & Pharmacy  
34099 Meline Parkway, Unit F1  
Eastlake, OH 44095

Enclara Health  
1480 Imperial Way  
West Deptford, NJ 08066

Heartland Veterinary Pharmacy  
401 West 33<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Hastings, NE 68901

HM Compounding  
2478 Mcdonald Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11209

MPS Rx New England, LLC  
d/b/a Millennium Pharmacy  
33B Appian Way  
Smithfield, RI 02917

MPS Rx – Tristate LLC  
d/b/a Millennium Pharmacy  
22 Paris Avenue  
Northvale, NJ 07467

Petmedsnmore  
6914 Canby Avenue, #111  
Reseda, CA 91335

Pharmscript, LLC  
200 Sheffield Street, Suite 103  
Mountainside, NJ 07092

Wellpartner, Inc.  
7216 S.W. Durham Road, Suite 200  
Portland, OR 97224

**Commission action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Inguanti, seconded by Commissioner Vegliante and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the above non-resident pharmacy applications.

**Adjournment**