

STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION  
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY

November 19, 2014

10:00 a.m. The regular meeting of the Commission of Pharmacy was called to order by Commissioner William Summa. The meeting was held in Room 126, of The State Office Building 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106

Commissioners Present: William Summa, Chairperson  
Mary Inguanti  
Steve Beaudin  
Richard Carbray  
Debbie Chisolm  
Angelo DeFazio  
Edith G. Goodmaster

Staff Present: Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator

**Interview of Reciprocity Candidate(s)**

The following candidate(s) were interviewed over the telephone and attested that the information provided was true and accurate to the best of their belief and understood that any misrepresentation of the facts could result in a fine and/or denial of pharmacist licensure in Connecticut.

Sofiya Abraham	Reciprocity from Massachusetts
John Decristofaro	Reciprocity from Ohio
Janardhan Dumpeti	Reciprocity from New Jersey
Andrea Larson	Reciprocity from Idaho
Benjamin Nadeau	Reciprocity from New Hampshire
James Nunez	Reciprocity from New York
Wilmarie Perez	Reciprocity from Puerto Rico
Maulik Shah	Reciprocity from Illinois
Aerhee Lee	Reciprocity from Rhode Island
David Wright	Reciprocity from Arizona
Lisa Asmar - Abdien	Reciprocity from Massachusetts

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept the above application(s) for licensure by reciprocity.

**'First Time' Pharmacy Manager(s)**

Commissioner Summa provided a summary of the responsibilities that a first-time pharmacy manager has and appreciated their appearance before the Commission. Commissioner Summa emphasized the importance of the pharmacy manager's role in contrast to the front-store manager (in many retail settings). Some responsibilities include leadership, technician registration, license renewals, and prescription error reporting.

Commissioner Inguanti provided a brief overview of the Med Watch program and discussed properly reporting prescription errors.

Andy Russo	CVS Pharmacy #4436 – Manchester
Ibrahim Zaiden	Manchester Pharmacy - Manchester
Katrina Skroupa	CVS Pharmacy #1276 - Bristol
Radhika Nagineni	Walgreens – Meriden
Kimberly Shapiro	Walgreens – Wallingford

**Request(s) for Pharmacy Internship(s)**

Aparna Bojja appeared before the Commission of Pharmacy to request a pharmacy internship. The Commission of Pharmacy granted Aparna Bojja permission to apply for a pharmacy internship.

Leena Varghese appeared before the Commission of Pharmacy to request a pharmacy internship. The Commission of Pharmacy granted Leena Varghese permission to apply for a pharmacy internship.

Annas Al-Kalak appeared before the Commission of Pharmacy to request a pharmacy internship. The Commission of Pharmacy granted Annas Al-Kalak permission to apply for a pharmacy internship.

**Pharmacy Relocation(s)**

Walgreens #15324

From:	To:
674 Farmington Ave	674 Farmington Ave
West Hartford, CT	West Hartford, CT
06119	06119

Dennis So, Pharmacy Manager

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 6-0 to approve the above relocation request provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

## **Pharmacy Remodel(s)**

Walgreens #11620  
1203 High Ridge Road  
Stamford, CT 06905

**Commission Action:** The Pharmacy did not show up they will be put on next month's agenda.

Rite Aid #1839  
70 Elm St.  
West Haven, CT 06516

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 6-0 to approve the above pharmacy remodel plans provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

Howe's Drug & Medical  
78 Broad St.  
Milford, CT 06460

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 6-0 to approve the above pharmacy remodel plans provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

## **Legal Matters**

Docket Number 14-531CVS Pharmacy #2056

Attorney Lynn Fiore presented this case. Commissioner Inguanti 'stepped down'. This case involved Drug Control conducted a reinspection of this pharmacy after an initial inspection found multiple violations. The reinspection found some of the initial violations still uncorrected. In similar cases, the Commission of Pharmacy has assessed a civil penalty of twice the usual penalty for the specific violation (once for the first inspection and once for the second inspection). This agreement calls for a \$6,000 civil penalty (\$2,000 x 3 violations found on reinspection).

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

Docket Number 14-537 Salisbury Pharmacy

Attorney Lynn Fiore presented this case. No Commissioner 'stepped down'. This case involved this pharmacy permitted the disclosure of a customer's confidential pharmacy information. After an investigation and following a compliance meeting, the Department felt that not all of the allegations could be fully supported. By way of this agreement the pharmacy agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 to resolve the matter.

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Goodmaster moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

Docket Number 14-552 Stoll's Pharmacy

Attorney Lynn Fiore presented this case. Commissioner Carbray 'stepped down'. This case involved Drug Control conducted an investigation regarding controlled substance losses at this pharmacy. The owner of the pharmacy cooperated fully with the department. By way of this agreement, the pharmacy agrees to implement and maintain certain additional security measures.

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

Miscellaneous Legal Matters

The commission of pharmacy discussed Carl Mancini's Memorandum of Decision. They made a few addendums to the decision and then took a vote on the changes. Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm and passed with a vote of 4-0 to accept the changes of the Memorandum of Decision. Commissioner DeFazio and Commissioner Inguanti 'stepped down'.

### **Miscellaneous Matters**

The letter from CPA was discussed and Commissioner Summa suggested that the commission create a task force with Commissioner DeFazio and Commissioner Carbray to look into this matter further.

The dates for the COP meetings in 2015 were discussed and voted on as the third Wednesday of every month except for July and December were there will be no meeting. The dates are as followed:

January 21, 2015	June 17, 2015
February 18, 2015	August 19, 2015
March 18, 2015	September 16, 2015
April 15, 2015	October 21, 2015
May 20, 2015	November 18, 2015

### **Request(s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval**

Absolute Pharmacy LLC – Lutz, FL  
ARJ Infusion Services – Lenexa, KS  
Blair Pharmacy – Timonium, MD  
Campbell's Compounding Pharmacy – Sugar Land, TX  
CVS Caremark – Phoenix, AZ  
CVS Caremark – San Antonio, TX  
CVS Caremark – Pittsburgh, PA  
Chemistry RX – Philadelphia, PA  
Innovative RX Gulf Coast Pharmacy – Naples, FL  
Mesa Pharmacy Inc. – Irvine, CA

New London Specialty Pharmacy – New York, NY  
Pharmland LLC – St. Petersburg, FL  
Physician Specialty Pharmacy – Pensacola, FL  
Rx Pro of Alabama LLC – Dothan, AL  
Trucare Pharmacy – Corona, CA  
Your Care Pharmacy Corp – Bronx, NY

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept the above non-resident pharmacy applications.

Best Healthcare Services – Norwood, NJ  
Northmark Pharmacy – Blue Ash, OH  
Paragon Infusion Care Inc. – Dallas, TX

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Inguanti is requesting additional documents for the above non-resident pharmacy applications for further review.

**Approval to Accept Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minute(s)**

October 15, 2014

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner Beaudin and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept the above Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minutes.

**There being no further business, Commissioner Summa adjourned the meeting.**

Respectfully Submitted,

William Summa

William Summa, Chairperson

Prepared by,

Heather Hoynes

Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator