

STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION  
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY  
August 17, 2016

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  
Steve Beaudin  
Richard Carbray  
Debbie Chisolm  
Angelo DeFazio  
Edith G. Goodmaster  
Mary Inguanti

Staff Present: Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator

**Miscellaneous Legal Matter**

The commission went into executive session with Attorney Daniel Shapiro. The meeting resumed and there was a motion to reopen the case for fact finding on the Brett palmer case.

It was determined that there was not enough evidence to revoke his license and the case was dismissed.

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio to dismiss the above mentioned case.

**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.

Jody Fenelon	Reciprocity from Illinois
Raymond Fogarty	Reciprocity from Rhode Island
Thomas Phelan	Reciprocity from Pennsylvania
Madeline Mathis	Reciprocity from Arkansas
Brittany Orlando	Reciprocity from Massachusetts
Kathleen Rybarz	Reciprocity from Michigan
Katherine Sheasley	Reciprocity from Pennsylvania
Hannah Snyder	Reciprocity from Nebraska
Samad Tirmizi	Reciprocity from New York
Kristin Waters	Reciprocity from New York
Amanda Zelinski	Reciprocity from New York

The following candidate(s) were sworn in and interviewed individually by the Commissioners.

Alyssa Short Reciprocity from California

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio 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.

Crystal Shaw	CVS Pharmacy - Stafford Springs
Michael Lettmoden	Partners Pharmacy - East Windsor
Alec Fouche	CVS Pharmacy - Stamford
Sherin Jacob	CVS Pharmacy - Stamford
Suelee Balmer	CVS Pharmacy - Middletown
Joyce Levis	CVS Pharmacy - Rocky Hill
Aaron Levesque	Rite Aid - New Haven
Michael Habib	CVS Pharmacy - Hartford
Kimberly Holzthum	CVS Pharmacy - West Hartford
Arianna Masi	CVS Pharmacy - Wethersfield
Christina Biondo	Pharmscript of CT - East Berlin
Jeffrey Adam Mathias	CVS Pharmacy - Hamden
Binsu Abraham	CVS Pharmacy - Danbury
Dalya Sabet	Shop Rite - East Haven

**New Pharmacy Application(s)**

Price Chopper Pharmacy #248  
140 Main Street  
Oxford, CT 06478

Matthew Carrano, Pharmacy Manager

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

Shoprite Pharmacy of Orange  
259 Bull Hill Lane  
Orange, CT 06477

Rashed Desai, Pharmacy Manager

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

**Pharmacy Relocation(s)**

CVS Pharmacy #1183

From:	To:
750 Main Street	777 Main Street
Hartford, CT	Hartford, CT
06103	06103

Eric Hunt, 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.

CVS Pharmacy #6807

From:	To:
679 East Main Street	153 Broad Street
Meriden, CT	Meriden, CT
06450	06450

Neal Badner, 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)**

Reliant Pharmacy  
200 Main Street South  
Southbury, CT 06488

**Commission Action:** Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster 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.

CVS Pharmacy #718

24-36 Pershing Drive  
Ansonia, CT 06401

**Commission Action:** Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster 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.

CVS Pharmacy #2153

150 South Main Street  
West Hartford, CT 06107

**Commission Action:** Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster 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.

CVS Pharmacy #1219

221 Hope Street  
Stamford, CT 06906

**Commission Action:** The Above pharmacy did not show for the meeting.

Rite Aid  
404 Main Street  
Ansonia, CT 06401

**Commission Action:** The Above pharmacy did not show for the meeting.

**Legal Matters**

Docket Number 16-59 Srikanth Popuri

Attorney Antonio Santoro presented this case. No Commissioner 'stepped down'. This case involved Licensee has been investigated by the Drug Control Division of the Department of Consumer Protection for committing a prescription error and failing to perform a quality assurance review. This agreement calls for a \$1000.00 dollar civil penalty.

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

Docket Number 16-109 CVS Pharmacy #3835

Attorney Antonio Santoro presented this case. No Commissioner 'stepped down'. This case involved Licensee has been investigated by the Drug Control Division of the Department of Consumer Protection for (a) permitting a Pharmacist/Tech greater than allowed; (b) name tag issue. This agreement calls for a \$2000.00 dollar civil penalty.

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

Docket Number 16-216 Walgreens #6757

Attorney Antonio Santoro presented this case. No Commissioner 'stepped down'. This case involved Licensee has been investigated by the Drug Control Division of the Department of Consumer Protection for failing to (a) have a completely secured and locked pharmacy, (b) have a functioning alarm system, (c) have proper pharmaceutical equipment, (d) appear before Board to present a transfer pharmacy application. This agreement calls for a \$5,000 civil penalty.

**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 16-283 Sudheer Ghanta

Attorney Antonio Santoro presented this case. Commissioner Chisolm 'stepped down'. This case involved Licensee has been investigated by the Drug Control Division of the Department of Consumer Protection for returning to stock an already dispensed drug, lack of a conforming quality assurance review, record keeping issues, and other pharmacy matters. This agreement calls for a \$20,000.00 dollar civil penalty.

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Goodmaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and passed by a vote of 4-1 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

Docket Number 16-287 Jean C. Mulvihill

Attorney Antonio Santoro presented this case. Commissioner Inguanti 'stepped down'. This case involved Licensee has been investigated by the Drug Control Division of the Department of Consumer Protection for diverting 6 Fioricet tablets during the period of September 8, 2015 and September 10, 2015.

This agreement calls for a reprimand

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

### **Miscellaneous Matters**

Garth Meadows came before the commission to request a modification of his settlement agreement. The commission has agreed to modify Paragraph 12 of his agreement to allow him to conduct a CII inventory in other stores when he is covering as long as he still does not conduct back to back inventories.

Stop & Shop Pharmacy came before the commission to request Load Balancing. The commission requested that they come back next month to give an update on the load balancing that was previously approved for them, before they would approve a new one.

The Waiver to retake the NAPLEX in 45 days instead of 91 days was granted for students in a residency program that came before the commission to request it with their preceptor.

### **Request(s) for Continuing Education Program Approval**

Police Officer Standards and Training

Gang Identification & Drug Detection, 6 Live CE'S

May 12, 2016, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., CT Police Academy

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept Commissioner Inguanti's recommendation to approve the above continuing education program.

Medicaid Fraud Task Force

Medicaid Fraud Task Force Joint Training, 4 Law CE'S

June 6, 2016, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Office of the Chief State's Attorney

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept Commissioner Inguanti's recommendation to approve the above continuing education program.

Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response

Medical Countermeasures Dispensing, 8 Live CE'S

August 2-3, 2016, Providence, RI

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept Commissioner Inguanti's recommendation to approve the above continuing education program.

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

Brookeside Rx, LLC – Omaha, NE  
CareFirst Specialty Pharmacy – Cinnaminson, NJ  
Diabetes Management & Supplies – New Orleans, LA  
Favre’s Baytown Pharmacy – Bay St. Louis, MS  
Francofe Inc. – Miami, FL  
Golden Healthcare Pharmacy – Garfield, NJ  
Hy-Vee Pharmacy Solutions – Omaha, NE  
Hybrid Pharma – Deerfield Beach, FL  
Maxxon Home Health Care LLC – Stuart, FL  
One Source Pharmacy, LLC  
Pharmaceutical Prescription Service, LLC – Newark, NJ  
Pharmco LLC – North Miami Beach, FL  
Physicians Rx Pharmacy of Clinton – Clinton, MD  
Premier Health Pharmacy Inc. – College Point, NY  
Priority Care Pharmacy Services – Amory, MS  
Professional Center 205 Pharmacy – Portland, OR  
RX Care Specialty Pharmacy – Westland, MI  
Vickers Priority Care Pharmacy LLC – Carbon Hill, AL  
We Care Pharmaceutical Services Inc. – San Bernardino, CA

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

ASPCares – McAllen, TX  
Austin Wellness Pharmacy – Forest Hills, NY  
Caprock Pharmacy – Lubbock, TX  
Heritage Biologics – Lee’s Summit, MO  
Lifetime Value Pharmacy III – Santa Ana, CA  
Pacifico National – Melbourne, FL

**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)**

June 15, 2016

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Goodmaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti 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