

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY
June 26, 2024

10:00 a.m. The regular meeting of the Commission of Pharmacy was called to order by Commissioner DeFazio. The meeting was conducted by physical attendance and virtually on TEAMS.

Commissioners Present: Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson

Richard Carbray
Kristin Linder
Ann Taylor
Mary Inguanti

Not in Attendance: Debbie Chisolm

Staff Present: Gina Samples, Board Administrator

New Pharmacy Application (s)

Connecticut Hospice, Inc.
100 Double Beach Road
Branford, CT 06405
James Proto, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, and passed by a vote of 5-0, 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.

Genoa Healthcare LLC
1 Hope Street, Suite P
Bristol, CT 06010
Omeed Manabat, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, and passed by a vote of 5-0, to approve in 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 #1153
From:
1875 Boston Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 06610
Pralock Trivedi, District Manager

CVS Pharmacy #1153
To:
1875 Boston Avenue (Trailer)
Bridgeport, CT 06610

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio approved Pralock Trivedi, District Manager to present request; Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner Linder to approve the above relocation request passed, by a vote of 5-0 to and provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

Partners of Connecticut LLC
From:
6 Thompson Road
East Windsor, CT 06088
Edith Owusu, Pharmacy Manager

Partners of Connecticut LLC
To:
111 Phoenix Crossing
Bloomfield, CT 06002

Commission Action: Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner Linder to approve the above remodel request passed, by a vote of 5-0 to and 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)

CVS Pharmacy #775
2045 Dixwell Avenue
Hamden, CT 06514
Genevieve Robinson, District Leader

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the above remodel request passed, by a vote of 5-0 to and provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

CVS Pharmacy #1966
1057 Boston Post Road
Guilford, CT 06437
Genevieve Robinson, District Leader

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the above remodel request passed, by a vote of 5-0 to and 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) Cont.

CVS Pharmacy #692
162 Washington Avenue
North Haven, CT 06473
Genevieve Robinson, District Leader

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the above remodel request passed, by a vote of 5-0 to and provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

'First Time' Pharmacy Manager (s)

The following pharmacists presented themselves to the Commission of Pharmacy as 'first time' pharmacy managers in the State of Connecticut: Commissioner DeFazio provided a summary of the responsibilities that a first-time pharmacy manager has and appreciated their appearance before the Commission. Commissioner DeFazio 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, reporting pharmacy operation hours, and prescription error reporting. Provided Information on utilization of the Med-watch Program.

Julia Adams
Jacqueline Callaghan
Andrea Cerveira
Shawn Cherian
Elizabeth Nguyen
Prince Okyere
Kristen Robinson
Kunj Thakkor

Big Y Pharmacy, #109 – Marlborough
Walgreens Pharmacy – Hartford
Big Y Pharmacy – Mansfield Center
CVS Pharmacy – Hartford
Westport Apothecary LLC – Westport
CVS Pharmacy – Meriden
CVS Pharmacy – Manchester
CVS Pharmacy – Orange

Not in Attendance

Ariel Methoxha

Walgreens Pharmacy – Berlin

Reciprocity Interview Candidate (s)

The following candidates(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 fact could result in a fine and/or denial of pharmacist licensure in Connecticut.

Waleed Ali
Jeffrey Cole
Abigail Davidson

Reciprocity from New York
Reciprocity from Ohio
Reciprocity from North Carolina

Reciprocity Interview Candidate(s) Cont.

Amy Thi Dong	Reciprocity from New York
Sidra Iqbal	Reciprocity from Vermont
Andrew S Kaplan	Reciprocity from New York
Elisabeta Kafexhi	Reciprocity from Florida
Tobin S Kuriakose	Reciprocity from New York
Morgan G Lange	Reciprocity from South Carolina
Van H Nguyen	Reciprocity from Georgia
Zachary T Orellana	Reciprocity from New York
Thomas O Ortique, Jr.	Reciprocity from Louisiana
Ashley E Seely	Reciprocity from Illinois
Ruchi C Shah	Reciprocity from Georgia
Dawn A Taylor	Reciprocity from Indiana
Kathleen Villarama	Reciprocity from New Jersey
Braylee L Wardell	Reciprocity from Maine
Rebekah F Wooten	Reciprocity from Tennessee

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

Non-Resident New Application Request (s) Pharmacy Approval

Alto Pharmacy dba Alto Specialty Pharmacy – Austin, TX
Pharmalogic Cincinnati LLC – Cincinnati, OH
Vanscoy Rare Pharmacy – Pittsburgh, PA
Walgreens Gene & Cell Services – Pittsburgh, PA

Non-Resident Applications – Approved with Additional Documentation

Belmar Pharmacy Florida LLC – Odessa FL
Epiphany Compounding LLC – Scottsdale, AZ
Pharmacy Express – Paterson, NJ
Polomar Specialty Pharmacy LLC – Palm Harbor, FL
RLS (USA) INC – Livingston, NJ
Valescent Pharmaceuticals INC dba VPI Compounding – Centennial, CO

Commission Action: Commissioner Taylor moved Commissioner Carbray seconded passed by a vote of 5-0 to approve the above new non-resident pharmacy applications and submitted with non-resident applications with additional information.

Non-resident Applications Pharmacy Not Approved

HM Bloomingdale LLC – St. Petersburg, FL
Musely Compounding Pharmacy East LLC – Suwanee, GA
Premier Pharmacy – San Antonio, TX

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

Request (s) for Non-Resident to Add Sterile & Non-Sterile Compounding Services

Alexander's Twin Pharmacy – Hamilton, NJ
TRU Meds RX – Fairfax, NJ

Commission Action: Commissioner Taylor moved Commissioner Carbray seconded passed by a vote of 5-0 to approve the request to add Non-sterile and Sterile compounding services to the license.

Approval to Accept Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minute(s)

May 22, 2024

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio motion to accept, Commissioner Taylor moved and seconded by Commissioner Carbray, Commissioner Chisolm Abstained the motion passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept.

There being no further business, Commissioner DeFazio adjourned the meeting.

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio motion to accept, Commissioner Taylor moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio seconded, and passed by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn.

Respectively Submitted,

Angelo DeFazio

Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson

Prepared by

Gina Samples

Gina Samples, Board Administrator