STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY
January 26, 2022

10:00 a.m. The regular meeting of the Commission of Pharmacy was called to order by Commissioner DeFazio. The meeting was held virtually on Zoom.

Commissioners Present: Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson
Bryan Cafferelli
Richard Carbray
Mary Inguanti
Kristin Linder

Staff Present: Heather Hoynes, License and Applications Specialist
Gina Samples, Board Administrator

Legal Matters

Case Number 2021-1684 **Mark Sampieri**

Attorney Katrina Cessno presented this case. Commissioner Cafferelli 'stepped down'. This case involved Prospective Licensee is a former Connecticut Pharmacist who voluntarily surrendered his license in 2021 following an investigation for restocking non-controlled medications that were returned to the pharmacy and were put on the shelf to be reused. Licensee has requested reinstatement of his pharmacy license and has agreed to the following proposed resolution.

Proposed Resolution:

Counsel for the Drug Control Division proposes an agreement in which prospective licensee shall be licensed as a Connecticut Pharmacist, but shall be subject to a twelve month probationary period during which he will neither work as a pharmacy manager nor serve as a preceptor or trainer for any pharmacy interns. During this period he shall also complete a designated pharmacy manager continuing education course and shall obey all state and federal laws and regulations related to pharmacy practice. He will also receive a letter of reprimand.

Commission Action: Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner Carbray and passed by a vote of 4-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

Pharmacy Relocation(s)

Waterbury Pharmacy

From:	To:
197 E Main Street	187 E Main Street
Waterbury, CT	Waterbury, CT
06702	06702

Samantha Brodnicki, Pharmacy Manager

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

'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, and prescription error reporting.

Antonia Alquist	CVS Pharmacy – West Hartford
Sarita Britto	CVS Pharmacy – Ansonia
Trina Dimella	CVS Pharmacy – Meriden
Fadriona Gaci	CVS Pharmacy – New Haven
Julie Falk	CVS Pharmacy – Meriden
Meryam Gharbi	Walgreens Pharmacy – Norwich
Ana Gomes	Medley Mail Service Pharmacy – New Haven
Derek Lindia	CVS Pharmacy – Putnam
Nadia Mansouri	CVS Pharmacy – Brooklyn
Johanna Martinez	CVS Pharmacy – Bridgeport
Monica Oakes	CVS Pharmacy – Plymouth
Thomas Padrevita	Walgreens Pharmacy – Enfield
Joshua Pruitt	Cardinal Health – East Hartford
Regina Yawson	Walgreens Pharmacy – Vernon
Cailin Wadja	Nutmeg Pharmacy – Taftville
Faseeh Farooq	Medley Mail Service Pharmacy – Stamford
Helal Biswas	Walgreens – Norwich

Not in Attendance

Mohammed Kalam	Bridgeport Community Pharmacy – Bridgeport

Miscellaneous Matters

Mylyfe Pharmacy – Enfield, CT
Jeff Lagasse, Pharmacy Manager is requesting pharmacy to be open less than 35 hours a week.

> **Commission Action:** Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and passed by a vote of 5-0 to grant the request coterminous with the Governor's Executive Order 71 emergency plan extended until February 15, 2022. If there is no extension to the order pharmacy hours will revert back to 35 hours minimum a week.

Nancy Babbar is requesting to waive 2020 and 2021 CE Credit requirements.

> **Commission Action:** Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner In and passed by a vote of 5-0 to grant the license renewal and waive the Live CE Credits. Contingent on completing the CE credits for a total of 30 to be in compliance for 2020 and 2021, this needs to be verified by the board of pharmacy and completed by May 25, 2022. If the requirement is not met the license will be revoked by June 1, 2022.

Jill Strykowski is asking for an extension to complete her CE credits 2020 and 2021.

> **Commission Action:** Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli and passed by a vote of 5-0 to grant the extension and waive the Live CE Credits. Contingent on completing the CE credits for a total of 30 to be in compliance for 2020 and 2021, this needs to be verified by the board of pharmacy and completed by May 25, 2022. If the requirement is not met the license will be revoked by June 1, 2022.

Request(s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval

Chewy Pharmacy, LLC – Pittston, PA 18640
Healthcare Pharmacy LLC – Phoenix, AZ 85029
H&N Pharmacy – Coral Gables, FL 33134
Mylyfe Specialty Pharmacy – West Springfield, MA 01089
Roman Health Pharmacy LLC – Phoenix, AZ 85021
Staywell Pharmacy Corp. DBA Staywell Pharmacy – Palatine, IL 60074

> **Commission Action:** Commissioner Caffarelli moved, seconded by Commissioner Carbray and passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept the above non-resident pharmacy applications.

ASPN Pharmacies, LLC – Livingston, NJ 07039
Brigham and Women's Hospital Outpatient Pharmacy – Boston, MA 02115
Curexa East LLC (DBA Curexa) – Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234
Daksha SaiRam LLC DBA Family Specialty Pharmacy – West Windsor, NJ 08550
Eastern States Compounding Pharmacy – Littleton, NH 03561
NYRX INC – Cortland Manor, NY 10567

> **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)
November 24, 2021

Commission Action: Commissioner Caffarelli moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept the above Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minutes.

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

Respectively Submitted,

Angelo DeFazio

Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson

Prepared by

Gina Samples

Gina Samples, Board Administrator