COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS Board of Registration in Pharmacy

NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN PHARMACY

November 20, 2020

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Attendee: #

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Agenda

Time	#	Item
8:00	I	CALL TO ORDER
	II	APPROVAL OF AGENDA
8:05	Ш	 APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES Draft of November 4, 2020 Emergency Meeting Regular Session Minutes Draft of November 6, 2020 Regular Session Minutes
8:10	IV	 APPLICATIONS Luis Resto - Pharmacy Technician in Training Hopkinton Drug; DS8191 - Waivers Meena Huh; PI163522 - Request for an application extension
8:20	V	 FLEX Pharmacy issues related to Covid-19 and the state of emergency

		POLICIES & ADVISORIES	
		 Advisory: Conducting Repairs or Service to Sterile Compounding Facilities or Facilities Engaging in Complex Non-Sterile Compounding 	
	VI	 Staff Action Policy 20-01: Staff Action to Handle NABP Reports of Licensee Sanctions Policy 2020-02: Compounding Copies of Commercially Available Drugs Joint Policy 2020-12: Vaccine Administration by Qualified Pharmacy Technicians Joint Policy 2020-13: Administration of FDA-Authorized, FDA-Licensed, and Investigational COVID-19 Vaccines 	
8:30	VII	FILE REVIEW 1 PHA-2020-0057 David Del Giudice, PH236272 2 SA-INV-16894 Khalid Boukhatem, PH237644	
9:00	VIII	EXECUTIVE SESSION The Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) for the purpose of discussing the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. Specifically, to evaluate the Good Moral Character as required for registration for a pending applicant.	
10:15	IX	M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C SESSION	
10:30	X	ADJOURNMENT	

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS **BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN PHARMACY**

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL SESSION Boston, Massachusetts, 02114 **WebEx Remote Meeting** November 20, 2020

Board Members Present

Kim Tanzer, PharmD, RPh. President Julie Lanza, CPhT, President Elect Leah Giambarresi, Pharm D, RPh, Secretary Sebastian Hamilton, Pharm D, RPh Dr. Richard Lopez, MD Andrew Stein, Pharm D Susan Cornacchio, JD, RN (Leaves 9:45 AM) Timothy Fensky, RPh Katie Thornell, PharmD, RPh Dawn Perry, JD (arrives 8:40 AM; leaves 10:30 AM)

Board Members Not Present

Patrick Gannon, RPh Carly Jean-Francois, RN, NP

Board Staff Present

David Sencabaugh, RPh, Executive Director Monica Botto, Assistant Executive Director Heather Engman, JD, Board Counsel William Frisch, RPh Director of Pharmacy Compliance Michelle Chan, RPh Quality Assurance Pharmacist Joanne Trifone, RPh, Director of Investigator Julienne Tran, PharmD RPh, Investigator Gregory Melton, Pharm D, JD, RPh Investigator Christina Mogni, RPh Investigator Ed Taglieri, MSM, NHA, RPh, PSUD Supervisor Joanna Chow, Office Support Specialist Richard Harris, Program Analyst

TOPIC I. Attendance by roll call:

CALL TO ORDER 8:00 AM

A quorum of the Board was present, established by roll call. President K. Tanzer chaired the meeting. She explained that the Board of Pharmacy was recording the meeting.

Roll call attendance: K. Tanzer, yes; A. Stein, yes; K. Thornell, yes; S. Hamilton, yes; S. Cornacchio, yes; L. Giambarresi, yes; R. Lopez, yes; T. Fensky, yes; J. Lanza, yes. D. Perry joins meeting at 8:40 AM

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Topic II. Approval of Agenda TIME 8:01 AM

Agenda 11/20/2020

DISCUSSION:

Change to Agenda:

1. none

ACTION:

Motion by S. Hamilton seconded by L. Giambarresi and voted unanimously by those present to approve the agenda with noted change by roll call vote.

Topic III Approval of Board Minutes TIME: 8:01 AM

Minutes

1. Draft 11/4/20 Session Minutes

No noted Changes.

Action:

Motion by S. Hamilton, seconded L. Giambarresi, and voted unanimously to approve the regular session minutes of 11/4/20 with noted changes by roll call vote. J. Lanza abstains.

1. Draft 11/6/20 Session Minutes

No noted Changes.

Action:

Motion by S. Hamilton, seconded L. Giambarresi, and voted unanimously to approve the regular session minutes of 11/6/20 with noted changes by roll call vote.

TOPIC IV Applications

TOPIC V FLEX

1. Pharmacy Issues related to Covid-19 and state of emergency TIME: 8:28 AM

PRESENTED BY: D. SENCABAUGH

DISCUSSION: Pharmacies are reminded to provide at least one dedicated hour each day in the early morning, for adults 60 years of age and older. The Massachusetts document *Workplace Safety Standards For Retail Businesses To Address COVID-19* that was updated 11/5/20 has more details.

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TOPIC VI

POLICIES and ADVISORIES

1. Advisory: Conducting Repairs or Service to Sterile Compounding Facilities or Facilities Engaging in Complex Non-Sterile Compounding

TIME 8:30 AM

PRESENTED BY: M. CHAN

DISCUSSION: Some minor language edits regarding relocation of the C-PEC were made. Moving or replacing a C-PEC is not permitted under this advisory. An *Application for Remodeling, Change in Configuration, or Change in Square Footage* must be submitted for this change.

ACTION: Motion by S. HAMILTON, seconded by J. LANZA, voted unanimously by roll call to approve the updated advisory.

2. Policy 2020-02: Compounding Copies of Commercially Available Drugs

TIME 8:31 AM

PRESENTED BY: M. CHAN

DISCUSSION: This policy was edited for clarity and primarily refers to the FDA guidance document Compounded Drug Products that are Essentially Copies of a Commercially Available Drug Product.

ACTION: Motion by S. HAMILTON, seconded by J. LANZA, voted unanimously by roll call to approve the updated policy.

3. Staff Action Policy 20-01: Staff Action to Handle NABP Reports of Licensee Sanctions

TIME 8:32 AM

PRESENTED BY: M. CHAN

DISCUSSION: This policy allows Board staff to handle NABP reports of licensee sanctions in other jurisdictions. Primarily it would allow the triage team to close files and take no further action if the violation is in regard to CE deficiencies, "administrative" deficiencies, and certain criminal proceedings. These actions are similar to the staff action policy that is in place regarding GMC candidates.

ACTION: Motion by S. HAMILTON, seconded by J. LANZA, voted unanimously by roll call to approve the staff action policy.

4. Joint Policy 2020-12: Vaccine Administration by Qualified Pharmacy Technicians

TIME 8:33 AM

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PRESENTED BY: M. CHAN

DISCUSSION: This policy allows vaccine administration by qualified pharmacy technicians. A qualified pharmacy technician is defined as a licensed certified technician or a licensed pharmacy technician who has worked at least 500 hours after obtaining their license.

Technicians can administer vaccines on the ACIP list for ages 3 - 18 years, or as authorized by the HHS PREP Act. ACPE training is needed as well as direct, on-site supervision of a pharmacist.

Technicians may only prepare and administer vaccines and emergency medications for adverse reactions.

As pharmacies update their vaccine standing orders to include technicians, appropriate epinephrine doses for children under 33 lbs must be addressed. The available epinephrine devices are not suitable for patients under this weight.

ACTION: Motion by L. GIAMBARRESI, seconded by J. LANZA, voted unanimously by roll call to ratify the policy as approved by DPH.

5. Joint Policy 2020-13: Administration of FDA-Authorized, FDA-Licensed, and Investigational COVID-19 Vaccines

TIME 8:37 AM

PRESENTED BY: M. CHAN

DISCUSSION: This policy allows pharmacists, interns, and qualified pharmacy technicians to administer FDA-licensed or FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccines for ages 3 years and older in accordance with the HHS PREP Act. A separate policy is required since the Board's regular vaccine policy only allows vaccines on the ACIP list.

The policy also allows pharmacists and interns to administer investigational COVID-19 vaccines.

ACTION: Motion by S. HAMILTON, seconded by L. GIAMBARRESI, voted unanimously by roll call to ratify the policy as approved by DPH.

TOPIC VI FILE REVIEW

Topic VIII EXECUTIVE SESSION Time: 9:03 AM

Read by K. Tanzer

DISCUSSION:

ACTION: At 9:03 AM President K. Tanzer read the statement on reasons for Executive Session.

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Topic VIII: Executive Session

A. Call to Order #1: Time: 9:04 AM

By: K. Tanzer

ACTION: Motion by L. Giambarresi, seconded by P. Gannon, and voted unanimously by roll call to call the 10/23/20 meeting of the Executive Session to order.

Roll call attendance: K. Tanzer, yes; A. Stein, yes; K. Thornell, yes; S. Hamilton, yes; S. Cornacchio, yes; L. Giambarresi, yes; R. Lopez, yes; T. Fensky, yes; J. Lanza, yes; D. Perry, yes.

Topic VIII: Executive Session

B. Call to Order #2: Time: 9:15 AM

By: K. Tanzer

ACTION: Motion by L. Giambarresi, seconded by P. Gannon, and voted unanimously by roll call to call the 10/23/20 meeting of the Executive Session to order.

Roll call attendance: K. Tanzer, yes; A. Stein, yes; K. Thornell, yes; S. Hamilton, yes; S. Cornacchio, yes; L. Giambarresi, yes; R. Lopez, yes; T. Fensky, yes; J. Lanza, yes; D. Perry, yes.

Topic X: M.G.L. 65 C #1 Time: 9:09 AM

A. Call to order #1

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: President K. Tanzer request a motion to enter M.G.L 65 c Session.

At 9:09 AM L. Giambarresi, seconded by S. Hamilton and voted unanimously by all those present to enter M.G.L. chapter 65 c Session by roll call vote.

Topic X: M.G.L. 65 C #1 Time: 9:35 AM

B. Call to order #2

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: President K. Tanzer request a motion to enter M.G.L 65 c Session.

At 9:35 AM L. Giambarresi, seconded by S. Hamilton and voted unanimously by all those present to enter M.G.L. chapter 65 c Session by roll call vote.

Susan Cornacchio, JD, RN (Leaves 9:45 AM)

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Topic XI

ADJOURMENT OF MEETING

TIME: 10:39 AM

ACTION: Motion by T. Fensky seconded by S. Hamilton, and voted unanimously by those present, to adjourn from General Session by roll call vote.

EXHIBITS USED DURING THE OPEN SESSION OF THE MEETING

- 1. Draft Agenda of the 11/20/20 General Session
- 2. Draft Minutes of the 11/4/20 Meeting
- 3. Draft Minutes of the 11/6/20 Meeting
- 4. Applications: Luis Resto Pharmacy Technician in Training
- 5. Applications: Hopkinton Drug DS8191 Waivers
- 6. Applications: Meena Huh PI163522; request for application extension
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- 11. Joint Policy 2020-13: Administration of FDA-Authorized, FDA-Licensed, and Investigational COVID-19 Vaccines
- 12. PHA-2020-0057 David Del Giudice, PH236272
- 13. SA-INV-16894 Khalid Boukhatem, PH237644

Respectfully Submitted, Leah Giambarresi, PharmD, RPh, Secretary