

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

SUFFOLK COUNTY

BOARD OF REGISTRATION  
IN PHARMACY

In the Matter of )  
Galaxy Pharmacy )  
DS90257 )

PHA-2021-0076  
PHA-2022-0019

CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR PROBATION

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy ("Board") and Galaxy Pharmacy ("Licensee" or "Pharmacy"), a pharmacy licensed by the Board, DS90257, do hereby stipulate and agree that the following information shall be entered into and become a permanent part of the Pharmacy's record maintained by the Board:

1. The Pharmacy acknowledges the Board opened a complaint against its pharmacy license related to the conduct set forth in Paragraph 2, identified as Docket No. PHA-2021-0076 and PHA-2022-0019 ("the Complaints").<sup>1</sup>
2. The Board and the Pharmacy acknowledge and agree to the following facts:
  - a. On or about January 12, 2021, a Board Investigator observed the following:
    - i. The Pharmacy failed to reconcile Schedule II controlled substances perpetual inventory every 10 days.
    - ii. Furthermore, the Pharmacy removed #76 expired methadone 5mg tablets and #92 expired methadone 10mg tablets from the perpetual inventory on or about January 3, 2020 but did not reverse distribute them until December 17, 2020.
    - iii. Varivax has a storage range of 5°F to -58F.
    - iv. The Pharmacy maintained its freezer within the temperature range of 8°F and 11°F from on or about July 31, 2020 to December 31, 2020, while the Pharmacy was storing Varivax, in violation of

<sup>1</sup> The term "License" applies to both a current license and the right to renew an expired license.

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BORP Policy 2020-05: Proper Storage of Refrigerated and Frozen Medications.

- b. Board investigators conducted a follow up site inspection on or about July 2, 2021, where an investigator observed that the Pharmacy had again failed to properly store Schedule II controlled substances and check on medication after another refrigerator & freezer temperature excursion on May 25, 2021-May 26, 2021 that lasted 15 hours, in violation of 247 CMR 10.03(1)(d).
  - c. On or about August 31, 2021, Board Investigators observed during a retail compliance site inspection that the Pharmacy's current owner had failed to disclose a previous suspension on his pharmacist license on the Pharmacy's "Application for Transfer of Ownership of Community Pharmacy", warranting discipline under 247 CMR 10.03(1)(p).
  - d. Investigators also observed during these site inspections that the Pharmacy's controlled substances inventories contained multiple inaccuracies, in violation of 21 CFR 1304.21(a); M.G.L. 94C §15; and 247 CMR 9.01 (1) and warranting discipline under 247 CMR 10.03(1)(x) & (b).
3. The Board and Licensee acknowledge and agree the facts described in Paragraph 2 warrant disciplinary action by the Board under M.G.L. c. 112, §§ 42A & 61 and 247 CMR 10.03(1)(a), (b), & (v).
  4. The Pharmacy agrees that its pharmacy license shall be placed on PROBATION for One (1) Year ("Probationary Period"), commencing with the date on which the Board signs this Agreement ("Effective Date").
  5. During the Probationary Period, the Pharmacy agrees that it shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy.
  6. The Board agrees that in return for the Pharmacy's execution and its successful compliance with all the requirements of this Agreement, the Board will not prosecute the Complaint.
  7. If and when the Board determines that the Pharmacy has complied to the Board's satisfaction with all the requirements contained in this Agreement, the Probationary Period will terminate One (1) Year after the Effective Date upon written notice to the Licensee from the Board.

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8. If the Pharmacy does not materially comply with each requirement of this Agreement, or if the Board opens a Subsequent Complaint<sup>2</sup> during the Probationary Period, the Pharmacy agrees to the following:
  - a. The Board may upon written notice to the Pharmacy, as warranted to protect the public health, safety, or welfare:
    - i. EXTEND the Probationary Period;
    - ii. MODIFY the Probation Agreement requirements; or
    - iii. IMMEDIATELY SUSPEND the Pharmacy's license.
  - b. If the Board suspends the Pharmacy's license pursuant to Paragraph 8 the suspension shall remain in effect until:
    - i. the Board provides the Pharmacy written notice that the Probationary Period is to be resumed and under what terms;
    - ii. the Board and the Pharmacy sign a subsequent agreement; or
    - iii. the Board issues a written final decision and order following adjudication of the allegations (1) of noncompliance with this Agreement, and/or (2) contained in the Subsequent Complaint.
9. The Pharmacy agrees that if the Board suspends its license in accordance with Paragraph 8, it will immediately return its current Massachusetts license to the Board, by hand or certified mail. The Pharmacy further agrees that upon said suspension, it will no longer be authorized to operate as a pharmacy in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and shall not in any way represent itself as a pharmacy until such time as the Board reinstates license or right to renew such license.
10. The Pharmacy understands that it has a right to formal adjudicatory hearing concerning the Complaint and that during said adjudication it would possess the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses, to call witnesses, to present evidence, to testify on its own behalf, to contest the allegations, to present oral argument, to appeal to the courts, and all other rights as set forth in the Massachusetts Administrative Procedures Act, M.G.L. c. 30A, and the

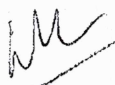
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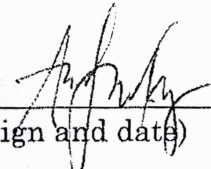
<sup>2</sup> The term "Subsequent Complaint" applies to a complaint opened after the Effective Date concerning acts, omissions, or events occurring after the Effective Date, which (1) alleges that the Pharmacy engaged in conduct that violates Board statutes or regulations, and (2) is substantiated by evidence, as determined following the complaint investigation during which the Pharmacy shall have an opportunity to respond.



Standard Adjudicatory Rules of Practice and Procedure, 801 CMR 1.01 et seq. The Pharmacy further understands that by executing this Agreement it is knowingly and voluntarily waiving its right to a formal adjudication of the Complaints.

11. The Pharmacy acknowledges that it has been represented by legal counsel in connection with the Complaint and this Agreement.
12. The Pharmacy acknowledges that after the Effective Date, the Agreement constitutes a public record. The Board may forward a copy of this Agreement to other licensing boards, law enforcement entities, and other individuals or entities as required or permitted by law.
13. The Pharmacy understands and agrees that entering into this Agreement is a voluntary and final act and not subject to reconsideration, appeal, or judicial review.
14. The individual signing this Agreement certifies that he/she is authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Pharmacy, and that he/she has read this Agreement.

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Witness (sign and date)

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Executive Director  
Board of Registration in Pharmacy

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Effective Date 5/23/2023

Fully Signed Agreement Sent to Licensee on 5/23/23 by

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