



**Government of the District of Columbia
Department of Health**



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WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

April 7, 2016

9:30am- 11:30 am

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Board of Pharmacy Mission Statement:

“To protect and improve the public health through the efficient and effective regulation of the practice of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Detailers; through the licensure of Pharmacists, Pharmaceutical Detailers and Pharmacy Interns.”

CALL TO ORDER: 9:44 am

PRESIDING: Vice Chair, James Appleby on the behalf of Chairperson, Daphne Bernard

BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	DR .DAPHNE B. BERNARD, PHARMD RPH CHAIRPERSON	Absent
	MR. JAMES APPLEBY, RPH VICE CHAIR	Present
	DR. TAMARA MCCANTS, PHARMD RPH	Present
	MR. ALAN FRIEDMAN, RPH	Present
	MR. DARWIN CURRY, CONSUMER MEMBER	Present
	MR. EDDIE CURRY, CONSUMER MEMBER	Present
STAFF:	SHAUNA WHITE-- EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	
	KARIN BARRON-HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	DEREK BROOKS, BOARD INVESTIGATOR	
LEGAL STAFF:	CARLA WILLIAMS, ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL	
VISITORS:	Joey Sturgeon, Silvergate Pharmaceuticals	
	Tami Brown, MERCK & Co., Inc.	
	Don Zowader, Public	
	Heather Free, Community Pharmacy	
	Jennifer Thomas, Delmarva Foundation	
	Zachary Green, Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB)	
	Steven Sligh, Evidera	
	Sabrina Wynn, DEA	
	Lisa Buie, DEA	

Open Session Agenda

Quorum: Yes

<u>Senior Deputy Director Report</u>	None	Dr. Sharon Lewis
<u>Executive Director Report</u>	<p><u>Licensing Data</u></p> <p>Total Licensees</p> <p>Pharmacists: 1, 846 Pharmacists with the Authority to Vaccinate and Immunize: 500 Pharmacy Interns: 518 Pharmaceutical Detailers: 677 (currently undergoing renewal of Licensure.)</p> <p><u>Monthly Report</u></p> <p>DEA Take Back Day: DEA representatives Sabrina Wynn, DEA and Lisa Buie, DEA will speak during the public comment section of the agenda regarding the upcoming Take Back Day.</p> <p>DCRX: The DC Center for Rational Prescribing (DCRx) provides information about medications and other therapeutic options to physicians and healthcare professionals. DCRx offers online continuing education courses, free to DC physicians and healthcare professionals, and at minimal cost to healthcare professionals not licensed in Washington, DC. To learn more, please visit the following website link: http://doh.dc.gov/dcrx</p> <p>MPJE Update: Starting in April 2016, the MPJE will be updated to ensure the exam is current and that the content represents the application of pharmacy law in practice. To implement the new exam content, NABP will not accept new registrations from April 4-10, 2016, and Pearson VUE will not administer exams from April 11-14, 2016. Registration for the updated MPJE will open April 12, 2016. Scheduling at Pearson VUE for the updated MPJE will begin April 15, 2016. The exam’s length, time, and cost will change. To learn more, please visit the following website link: https://www.nabp.net/programs/examination/mpje</p> <p>Pharmacy Technician Program Testing: Executive Director, Dr. Shauna White reported that the Pharmacy Technician Program is currently undergoing user testing. The program is hoping to go live by the end of April 2016.</p>	Dr. Shauna White

<p><u>Board Counselor Report</u></p>		
<p>0407-O-01</p>	<p>Pharmaceutical Detailer Exemption</p> <p>Assistant General Counsel, Carla Williams reported to the Board regarding the Pharmaceutical Detailer Exemption that was enacted by Council in 2015. This matter was placed on the agenda to inform all Detailers who are operating in the District of Columbia to have a clear understanding of the exemption. Questions will be addressed though the frequently asked questions (FAQ). The FAQ's will be placed on the DC Board of Pharmacy-Pharmaceutical Detailers website for public viewing.</p> <p>Pharmaceutical Detailers are encouraged to read Act 21-148, Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Support Act of 2015 Section 5031 of the Act specifically addresses the Pharmaceutical Detailer's Exemption</p> <p>http://www.dcregs.dc.gov/Gateway/NoticeHome.aspx?NoticeID=561990</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>6</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If I detail in the District of Columbia less than thirty (30) consecutive days per calendar year, am I required to have a license? <p>Persons who are unsure whether this provision covers them, may wish to obtain the license to ensure that they are practicing legally in the District. The law allows individuals, such as speakers at a conference, who come to the District once a year, or other persons that come once a year for a short duration of time of less than 30 consecutive days. This provision <u>does not</u> allow someone who comes to the District for a few days a month to avoid licensure, if the person will return to the District again within the same calendar year.</p> 2. What does thirty (30) consecutive days mean for me? <p>If a detailer starts detailing in the District on January 1st, whether or not he or she practices every day, after January 31st, he would either need to cease detailing in the District or obtain a license.</p> 3. Who is the exemption intended for? <p>The exemption is intended for persons who come to the District once a year, such as for a conference or a speaking engagement. It is not intended for persons who are assigned to this area and who regularly and frequently engage in pharmaceutical detailing in the District of Columbia.</p> 4. Where can I obtain information regarding the exemption? <p>The Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Support Act of 2015 Section 5031 of</p> 	<p>Ms. Carla Williams</p>

	<p>the Act is currently posted on the D.C. municipal Regulations and D.C. Register website.</p> <p>http://www.dcregs.dc.gov/Gateway/NoticeHome.aspx?NoticeID=5619906</p>	
<u>Legislative and Regulatory Subcommittee Report</u>		
0407-O-02	<p>Collaborative Practice Agreement Regulations –Verbal Update</p> <p>Board Member, Mr. Alan Friedman reported to the Board that the Proposed Regulations for Collaborative Practice Agreements between Physicians and Pharmacists were published on October 09, 2015 for a thirty (30) day comment period. The stakeholder comments were received and were addressed through the Legislative Regulatory Subcommittee. Board of Medicine Subcommittee Members and the Board of Pharmacy subcommittee will reconvene to agree and approve on a set of recommendations.</p> <p>A public hearing will be scheduled to invite health care facilities and other stakeholders to an open forum to help the Board address public comments received regarding subsection 10003.2 of the Proposed Rulemaking for Collaborative Practice Agreements Between Physicians and Pharmacists that was published in the D.C. Register on October 9, 2015 at 62 DCR 13285.</p> <p>Presently, there are no members serving on the Board that have institutional pharmacy practice experience. As such, the Board is specifically seeking comment from pharmacists employed in hospitals, skilled nursing facilities and other institutional settings. However, comments from all stakeholders regarding this issue are welcome.</p> <p>Motion: Board Member, Alan Friedman moved that the Board publish a notice in the DC Register to hold a public forum on collaboration practice for long term care hospitals and other similar intuitions. Seconded by: Consumer Member, Mr. Eddie Curry Motion Carried</p>	Mr. Alan Friedman
0407-O-03	<p>Communications Subcommittee Report</p> <p>None</p>	Dr. Daphne Bernard
<u>Communications</u>		
0407-O-04	<p>National Association of Boards of Pharmacy-NABP E-News Letter</p> <p>NABP Invited to Discuss Best Practices for Restricted TLDs With US Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator</p>	

	<p>Two Products Voluntarily Recalled Due to Safety Issues</p> <p>Idaho Bill Seeks to Lower Age for Children to Be Immunized by Pharmacists</p> <p>New FDA Drug Info Rounds Training Video Reviews Keeping Medications Safe in Emergency Situations</p> <p>National Poison Prevention Week Promotes Safe Medication Storage National Association of Boards of Pharmacy-NABP E-News Letter</p> <p>Public Health Officials Petition FDA for Black Box Warnings and Medication Guides Regarding Serious Risks of Combining Opioids With Benzodiazepines</p> <p>Proposed Federal Bill Would Fund State Development of Standing Orders for Dispensing Opioid Overdose Reversal Drug and Education Programs</p> <p>CDER Offers Online CPE on FDA’s Role in Public Health</p> <p>Legal Briefs SOS: Surrender or Sell</p> <p>Note to the Public: To receive weekly updates from NABP, please sign up by using the following link: http://www.nabp.net/publications/nabp-e-news-sign-up/</p>	
0407-O-05	<p><u>Reading of the Minutes –Open Session</u></p> <p>December 3 , 2015</p> <p>Motion: Board Member, Alan Friedman moved that the Board publish a notice in the DC Register to hold a public forum on collaboration practice for long term care hospitals and other similar intuitions. Seconded by: Consumer Member, Mr. Eddie Curry Motion Carried</p> <p>February 4, 2016 FYI-Unofficial Summary of Minutes (No Quorum During the Meeting)</p>	
<u>Comments From the Public</u>	<p>DEA representatives Sabrina Wynn, DEA and Lisa Buie, DEA gave a brief presentation of the upcoming Take Back Day Initiative which will be held on April 27, 2016 for Law Enforcement Agencies and April 30, 2016 for the general public. For more information regarding the National Take-Back Initiative, please visit http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/.</p>	

This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting, and pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b), and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting.