

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF PHARMACY  
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**

Thursday, March 7, 2013

**Health Regulations and Licensing  
Administration  
899 North Capital Street, NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20002**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** A meeting of the District of Columbia Board of Pharmacy was called to order at 9:40 a.m.

**PRESIDING:** Dr. Daphne B. Bernard PharmD RPh, Chairperson

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dr. Daphne B. Bernard PharmD RPh, Chairperson  
Dr. Tamara Foreman PharmD RPh, Board Member  
Mr. James Appleby, RPh, Board Member  
Mr. Paul Beringer, RPh, Board Member  
Alan Friedman, RPh, Board Member  
Mr. Darwin Curry, Consumer Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**QUORUM:** The March 7, 2013 Board meeting had a quorum.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Patricia D'Antonio, Executive Director of Pharmacy and Program  
Manager of the Pharmaceutical Control Division  
Deb Moss, Board Investigator  
Karin S. Barron, Health Licensing Specialist

**BOARD COUNSELOR PRESENT:** Carla Williams, Assistant Attorney General

**VISITORS:** Tami Brown, MERCK  
Soumi Saha, Kaiser Permanente  
Elizabeth Skaria, Target  
Megan Coder, PTCB  
Don Zowader, Consumer  
Charley John, Walgreens  
Herb Kwash, DC Pharmacy Association

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**SENIOR DEPUTY  
DIRECTOR'S  
REPORT:**

Senior Deputy Director, Feseha Woldu reported to the Board that there will be an oversight hearing held later on in the day and will be testifying on the behalf of the District of Columbia Department of Health.

**EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR REPORT:**

Executive Director, Patricia D'Antonio reported to the Board of Pharmacy of a Community on Health Oversight hearing previously scheduled for March 6, 2013. The meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather and has been rescheduled for March 19, 2013. Another hearing is scheduled for March 14, 2013 with the Community on Health. All District of Columbia Health Board Chairpersons have been scheduled to testify on the behalf of their respectable boards and speak of their function for the city. Chairperson, Dr. Daphne Bernard will testify on the behalf of the District of Columbia Board of Pharmacy.

Executive Director, Patricia D'Antonio reported that the Board is moving forward with the renewal of Pharmacists licensure. Executive Director, Patricia D'Antonio further reported to the Board that communication was sent to all Pharmacists that were pending the renewal of licensure. Because of the new CBC requirement, it has been determined that the remaining 2 weeks will not allow sufficient time for all pharmacists to renew their licenses by February 28, 2013. Virginia residents should expect a delay of 5-6 weeks for the results of the state criminal background check. Accordingly, the renewal period has been extended until April 30, 2013, pursuant to 17 DCMR 4006. All licensees may continue to work with their current license as long as they have a renewal application on file with the Board by February 28, 2013 and are pending approval. An applicant for renewal must complete a minimum of forty (40) contact hours of continuing education credit in approved programs during the period 3/1/2011 and 2/28/2013. Continuing education must include at least two (2) hours in Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and at least two (2) hours in medication/dispensing errors. A minimum of ten (10) contact hours of the required forty (40) continuing education credits shall be obtained by attendance at live continuing education programs. This requirement does not apply to applicants for the first renewal of a license. Executive Director, Patricia D'Antonio reported that the Board she has seen a jump of renewal since the last month's meeting. So far, over 700 pharmacists have renewed their license and the Board will continue to monitor the renewal process.

**Pharmacy: February 2013 Statistics**

**Pharmacist-** 15 Activated in the Month of February

**Pharmaceutical Detailer:** 14 Activated in the Month of February

**Pharmacy Intern:** 3 Activated in the Month of February

Executive Director, Patricia D'Antonio reported to the Board that the "AccessRx- Prescription Drug Marketing Costs- Impacts of Pharmaceutical Marketing on Healthcare Services in the District of Columbia" is available on the District of Columbia Board of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Control Division website.

**ATTORNEY**  
**GENERAL REPORT:**

**0307-O-01 Legislation Chart Verbal Report**

**0307-O-02 Pharmacy Technician Bill B-190293**

Assistant Attorney General, Carla Williams reported to the Board that the Pharmacy technician legislation was signed by the District of Columbia Mayor on 02/05/2013 and has been transmitted for Congressional Review.

**0307-O-03 Prescription Monitoring Legislation**

Assistant Attorney General, Carla Williams reported to the Board that the Prescription Monitoring Legislation was re-introduced to Council on 02/07/2013. Public notice of introduction published in register on 02/15/2013.

**0307-O-04 Health Practitioner Dispensing Permit Legislation**

The Health Practitioner Dispensing Permit Legislation is pending a meeting with the District of Columbia Board of Medicine and is currently with the District of Columbia Pharmaceutical Control Division for further review.

**0307-O-05 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Chapter 5 (Safe Disposal of Unused Pharmaceuticals in the Health Care Facilities)**

Assistant Attorney General, Carla Williams reported to the Board that the third proposed rulemaking will be published for comment on 03/15/13.

**0307-O-06 Collaborative Care Expansion Act of 2012**

The Collaborative Care Expansion Act was passed as DC Law effective October 22, 2012 (L19-0185). This Item is pending Legislation Subcommittee Meeting.

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**BOARD VOTE:**

**0307-O-07 Selection of Vice Chair**

This item has been tabled for the next Board of Pharmacy Meeting. The Board decided that they needed more time to select a Vice Chair for the District of Columbia Board of Pharmacy meeting.

**0307-O-08 Establishment of Subcommittees and Selection of Board of Pharmacy Subcommittee Members**

***Motion:*** Board Member, Dr. Tamara Foreman moved that the Board establish two standing committees for the Board of Pharmacy- Legislation/Regulatory and Communication.

***Seconded by:*** Board Member, Alan Friedman

***Motion Carried***

***Motion:*** Board Member, Mr. Alan Friedman moved that the Board set up two subcommittees with the following District of Columbia Board members: **Legislation/Regulatory**-Mr. James Appleby, Dr. Tamara Foreman, and Mr. Alan Friedman **Communication**:-Dr. Daphne Bernard, Mr. Paul Beringer, and Mr. Darwin Curry

***Seconded by:*** Board Member, James Appleby

***Motion Carried***

**INTERN  
PRESENTATION:**

**0307-O-09 Intern Presentation of NABP Correspondence**

Nyemachi Ejiowhor, Howard PharmD Candidate 2013 and Deepa Nair, Virginia Commonwealth University PharmD Candidate 2013 gave a presentation of the March National Association of Boards of Pharmacy Newsletter Update. Copy of the presentation is available upon request.

**COMMUNICATION  
FROM NABP:**

**0307-O-10**

**1. NABP March E-Newsletter**

-Member Boards Move Swiftly to Implement NABP Compounding Action Plan and to Strengthen State Regulations of Compounding Pharmacies

- NABP Reports Slight Decrease in 2012 License Transfer Request

- NABP Accreditation Programs Support Pharmacy and Wholesale Distributor Efforts to Provide Quality Products and Services

- NABP Reports Examination Totals for 2012: Shows Consistent Climb in NABPLEX, MPJE, and PCOA Administrations

-109<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting: Find Exciting Networking Opportunities in St. Louis! Attend the NABP 109<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting's Optional Events

## **2. Invitation to Participate in 109<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Educational Poster Session**

The meeting will take place May 18-21, 2013, at the Hyatt Regency St Louis at the Arch, in St Louis, MO.

## **3. Village Fertility Update from Massachusetts**

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy has requested that NABP share the attached update regarding a Cease and Desist and Quarantine notice to Village Fertility.

## **4. Board of Pharmacy Contact Information on NABP Web Site**

The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) is pleased to announce that the board of pharmacy contact listings on the NABP Web site have been improved to allow multiple contact e-mail addresses. Now, boards of pharmacy may include as many e-mails as they would like on their contact pages.

## **5. PTCB Programs Update**

**New Website:** Earlier this month the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board launched an updated website at [ptcb.org](http://ptcb.org), in addition to a new user interface for pharmacy technicians. The Pharmacy Technician Certification Board has created a new web page for boards of pharmacy.

**Free Verifications:** On the PTCB homepage, the public is now able to verify the certification status of individual pharmacy technicians.

**PTCB Certification Program Changes:** On Wednesday, February 27, 2013 PTCB [released a series of decisions](#) from the PTCB Board of Governors regarding [changes to our Certification Program](#). In conjunction with this launch, PTCB have opened a three month comment period to gain insight from individuals on how to best implement these decisions.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**0307-O-11 Guidance Statement on Responsibility of Pharmacist involved in preparation and dispensing of a prescription.**

During the December 6, 2012 Board meeting, Assistant Attorney General, Carla Williams reported to the Board that she will work with the Board's Subcommittee to develop a written policy statement.

Assistant Attorney General, Carla Williams reported to the Board that once the Board's subcommittee is established, a meeting will be scheduled to develop a written policy statement.

**0307-O-12 Uniform Electronic Prior Authorization Form Amendment Act of 2012 Bill (19-1324)**

During the December 6, 2012 Board meeting, Board Member, Dr. Tamara Foreman reported to the Board that the hearing has already been held regarding the Electronic Prior Authorization Form Amendment Act of 2012. The Board's subcommittee will inquire if there is a possibility that the Board of Pharmacy can still give feedback with regards to the bill.

The Board is in support of the bill will continue to monitoring the Uniform Electronic Prior Authorization Form Amendment Act of 2012 Bill (19-1324) of any updates.

**READING OF THE MINUTES:**

**This item is for Board review and approval.**

**0307-O-13 Minutes from the February 7, 2013 Open Session Meeting**

***Motion:*** Board Member, Mr. James Appleby moved that the Board of Pharmacy approve the February 7, 2013 Open Session Minutes.

***Seconded by:*** Mr. Paul Beringer, Board Member

***Motion Carried***

**THIS CONCLUDES THE OPEN SESSION OF THE MEETING**