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WASHINGTON, DC 20002

April 4, 2019

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 Detailing; through the licensure of Pharmacists, Pharmaceutical Detailers, Pharmacy Interns, and Pharmacy Technicians.”



## Open Session Agenda

**Quorum:** Yes

<b>Introduction:</b>		
<b>0404-O-01</b>	<p><b><u>Approval of the Open Session Meeting Minutes</u></b> February 7, 2019 Board Member Mr. James Appleby moved the Board to approve the February 7, 2019 open session minutes Seconded by Benjamin Miles Abstentions: None Motion Carried.</p> <p><b><u>Approval of the Open Session Meeting Minutes</u></b> March 7, 2019 Board Member Dr. Benjamin Miles moved the Board to approve the March 7, 2019 open session minutes Seconded by Dr. Tamara McCants Abstentions: None Motion Carried.</p>	
<b><u>Consent Agenda</u></b>	<b>None</b>	
<b><u>Executive Director Report</u></b>	<p><b><u>Licensing Report</u></b></p> <p><b>Statistics</b></p> <p><b>Statistics</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>Pharmacist: 1,951</b></li><li>➤ <b>Vaccination and Immunization: 603</b></li><li>➤ <b>Pharmacy Interns: 651</b></li><li>➤ <b>Pharmacy Technicians: 766</b></li><li>➤ <b>Pharmacy Technician Trainee: 98</b></li><li>➤ <b>Pharmaceutical Detailers: 770</b></li><li>➤ <b>Pharmacy Technician Training Programs: 11</b></li></ul> <p><b>Data Regarding Renewed Licenses:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>Pharmacist: 1,904</b></li><li>➤ <b>Vaccination and Immunization: 575</b></li><li>➤ <b>Pharmacy Technicians: 769</b></li></ul> <p>The license renewal period closed on February 28, 2019. The late renewal period, which includes an \$85.00 processing fee, will end on April 30, 2019. Thereafter, a reinstatement application will be required for an active license status in the District of Columbia.</p>	

**Prescription Monitoring Program Update**

Communication on the mandatory enrollment in the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) has been disseminated.

The legislation on the PDMP is currently under congressional review and may be approved in the upcoming week. The Board of Pharmacy will further disseminate information on the deadline for enrollment in the program. All licensed pharmacists in active status in the District of Columbia are encouraged to enroll in the program.

The Board of Pharmacy is also communicating with hospitals and pharmacies on their integration into the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program through proprietary pharmacy management systems.

To enroll facilities and professionals in the program, or to express your interest in registration, please contact the Board of Pharmacy via [doh.pdmp@dc.gov](mailto:doh.pdmp@dc.gov).

**The Opioid Strategic Plan**

The mayor’s strategic plan on opioids, *Live. Long. DC.*, will re-launch the website in the upcoming week. For further information, and to review the plan, go to [livelongdc.gov](http://livelongdc.gov).

**Clinical Lab Practitioner Advisory Committee**

A Committee member will attend the Board of Pharmacy’s June Monthly Meeting to advise the Board on the practice of clinical lab practitioners.

**NABP Updates**

The NABP Annual meeting is scheduled for May 15 – 16, 2019, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Three members of the executive Board of Pharmacy will attend this meeting.

**DEA National Takeback**

The scheduled date of the DEA National Takeback is April 27, 2019. For further information on facility takeback bins and disposal locations throughout the District of Columbia, go to [www.dea.gov](http://www.dea.gov).

**Assistant General Counsel Report**

New requirements in continuing education are impending, with emphasis on public health sector credits. All professionals will be required to complete at least 10% of the continuing education hours, in the category determined by the Director of the Department of Health and the executive director team. Every Board will determine its category based on the Director’s decision. Ms. Williams will present further information regarding this matter at the Board of Pharmacy’s May Monthly Meeting, as regulations must be changed to accommodate new requirements. Continuing Education requirements on the subject of cultural competency for the LGBTQ

	population will remain because it is a statutory requirement.	
0404-O-02	<p>Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Training Policy Statement</p> <p>A draft of the policy statement was presented to the board for discussion. Dr. McCants requests that the policy be amended, and further requests time to revise the language of the policy. The board will therefore forego making a decision at this time and will revisit this matter in the near future.</p>	
<b><u>Subcommittee Report</u></b>		
	<b><u>Legislative and Regulatory</u></b>	
0404-O-03	<p>Defending Access to Women’s Health Care Services Amendment Act of 2017</p> <p>The committee has been working on the <i>Defending Access to Women’s Health Care Services Amendment Act of 2017</i>, has been meeting with the Boards of Pharmacy and Medicine, and has completed several drafts of legislation on the amendment act. The committee is currently awaiting a final review of the its final draft, before securing approval from Boards. The committee is in the final stage of reviewing the self-assessment and referral forms for oral contraceptives. The final step in the committee’s process is completion of the algorithm that will guide pharmacist in prescribing oral contraception. The committee will meet again, in the near future, and will then present its work to the Boards.</p> <p>The subcommittee has convened a collaborative practice task force, composed of members of the Boards of Pharmacy and Medicine. The task force is currently establishing a list of duties may complete, which adheres to a collaborative practice agreement, yet precludes approval by the Boards of Medicine and Pharmacy. Duties that are not listed and are outside of the realm of regular practice would require Board approval.</p>	Dr. Benjamin Miles
0404-O-04	<p><b><u>Communications Subcommittee Report</u></b></p> <p>Dr. Bernard requests that communication be disseminated to the pharmacist and pharmacist technician population regarding the late license renewal deadline, registration in the PDMP program and information on the DEA National Takeback Day. She further suggests that pharmacists and pharmacy technicians should be aware that if a license were <u>not</u> renewed by the deadline, a reinstatement application would be required.</p> <p>Reminder: The DEA National Takeback Day is April 27, 2019. Google Maps will display the participating prescription drug disposal sites in the District of Columbia.</p>	Dr. Daphne Bernard
<b>NABP E-Newsletter</b>	<p><b><u>March 6, 2019</u></b></p> <p>FDA Finalizes Guidance on Evaluating Need for Outsourcing Facilities to Compound Drugs</p>	

	<p>FDA Issues Warning to CanaRx Over Illegal Online Sales to US Customers</p> <p>Reintroduced Senate Bill Would Require Mandatory PMP Checks for Prescribers, Dispensers</p> <p>FDA Announces 2019 Policy and Regulatory Agenda in Opioid Crisis</p> <p>Google Adds Prescription Drug Disposal Sites to Maps Application</p> <p><b><u>March 13, 2019</u></b></p> <p>DEA Launches Enhanced ARCOS System to Help Drug Manufacturers and Distributors Make Informed Decisions</p> <p>American Pharmacists Association and Canadian Pharmacists Association Release Joint Statement Opposing Personal Drug Importation to US</p> <p>FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb Announces Resignation</p> <p>Torrent Pharmaceuticals Expands Recall of Losartan Potassium Tablets USP</p> <p>First 2019 FDA Drug Topics Webinar to Be Held March 26</p>	
<p><b><u>Matters for Board Consideration</u></b></p>		
<p><b>0404-O-05</b></p>	<p><b>Military Spousal Licensure for Pharmacist</b></p> <p>An active duty member of the US Air Force is requesting that the DC Board of Pharmacy consider discussing with state legislators making licensure easier for military spouses maintain employment opportunities upon a service member’s permanent change of station (PCS).</p> <p>(a) Emailed Request for Consideration (b) Informational Paper-Military Spousal Employment, Licensure Issues</p> <p>The Board of Pharmacy holds that this matter is outside its purview, and must be referred to the <i>Board of Health or the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy</i> for consideration and possibly, a change of law to accommodate military spouses. Board Member Dr. McCants further suggested that this matter is not specific to military spouses, but to every spouse in a similar situation. Therefore, the best option for military spouses in dealing with this matter is that they remain in the federal government system.</p>	
<p><b>0404-O-06</b></p>	<p><b>Application for Approval to Provide LGBTQ Cultural Competency Continuing Education Course for Pharmaceutical Detailers</b></p> <p>(a) CMR Institute Continuing Education Application.</p> <p>Motion: Chikita Sanders moves that Dr. McCants continue to review all requirements for Pharmaceutical Detailers.</p>	

	<p>Seconded by: Dr. Benjamin Miles  Abstentions: None  Motion Carried.</p>	
<p><b><u>Public Comments</u></b></p>	<p>Dr. Christopher Keeys, on behalf of Sibley Memorial Hospital states that the pharmacy department of the Sibley Memorial Hospital has been impacted by the new collaborative practice agreement. Because of the change in legislation, more than 33% of Sibley Memorial Hospital’s clinical pharmacists do not meet the requirements and as a result, the hospital has had to, not only change its staff, but also rely totally on the pharmacists that immediately satisfy the requirements under the new agreement. While the hospital has submitted its certificate programs, which, when approved, will qualify pharmacists who are currently unqualified under the new agreement, approvals are still pending. As a result, Sibley Memorial Hospital is currently seeking a resolution in moving forward to satisfy the new pharmacy practice regulations.</p> <p>Pharmacist who do not meet the requirements are sidelined in four areas of practice, particularly in dose monitoring. While the Board of Pharmacy and the Board of Medicine are addressing the issues arising from the new collaborative practice agreement, Sibley Memorial Hospital states that it was unsafe to have changed the regulations midstream.</p> <p>The Board of Pharmacy therefore suggests that the physicians at the hospital present this matter to their physician colleagues at the DC Board of Medicine’s next monthly meeting. The provision has slowed down pharmaceutical practice, and has inadvertently compromised patient care. A resolution in this matter may be faster determined if this case is before the Board of Medicine.</p>	
<p><b>Motion to Adjourn the Open Session</b></p>	<p>“Madam Chair, I move that the Board close the Open Public session portion of the meeting and move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the following purposes: to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to § 2-575(b)(9); to seek the advice of counsel to the board, to preserve the attorney-client privilege, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4); and to plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to § 2-575(b)(14).”  (Roll Call Vote)</p> <p>Motion: Ms. Chikita Sanders.  Roll Call Vote:  Dr. Daphne Bernard: In favor of the motion.  Mr. James Appleby: In favor of the motion.  Dr. Tamara McCants: In favor of the motion.  Dr. Benjamin Miles: In favor of the motion.  Abstentions: None  Motion Carried</p>	

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

**Open Session Meeting Adjourned at 10:39 AM**