



- from the Members and Staff of the
Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy

BOARD MEETING – October 26, 2005

Disciplinary Action

Susan Carter, Tech #6506 – Case 749: **Charges:** Possession of a controlled dangerous substance (CDS) without a valid prescription and theft of merchandise. **Permit revoked.**

Aaron M. Long, Tech #8461 – Case 755: **Charges:** Theft. **Permit revoked.**

Beryl DeVaughan, D.Ph. #5894 – Case 760: **Charges:** Failing to take appropriate steps to solve a problem identified in a prospective drug review, failing to attempt to address the possible addiction or dependency of a patient to a drug dispensed by the pharmacist, forging or increasing the quantity of a drug in a prescription, providing more than one (1) refill of a CDS at any one time, filling a prescription for a Schedule III or IV drug more than six (6) months after the prescription was issued, failing to properly maintain prescription files. **Respondent's license was placed on probation for four (4) years until October 26, 2009. Respondent shall attend a one-day law seminar in 2005 and 2006. Total fine of \$2,100.00.**

Lindy Allen Rowland, D.Ph. #10368 – Case 761: **Charges:** Two or more warning notices in a twelve-month period. **Respondent must view an error correction video and attend a one-day law seminar before December 31, 2006.**

The Board took action in four (4) impaired cases: **Case 754 - Tech #550**, was suspended for five (5) years with all of the suspension stayed and placed on probation. Respondent must submit to an evaluation by Oklahoma Pharmacists Helping Pharmacists

(OPHP) and, if recommended, enter into and abide by a contract with OPHP. Respondent may appear and request the suspension be removed upon showing two (2) years continuous compliance with his OPHP contract and positive OPHP recommendation; **Case 603B – D.Ph. #11834**, pharmacist license was revoked; **Case 757 – D.Ph. #11265**, pharmacist license was revoked; **Case 721 – D.Ph. #7657**, appeared to request probation. Respondent must submit to OPHP for a “Fit For Duty” evaluation. If passed, she may practice in a non-dispensing capacity. Respondent must continue with her OPHP contract and provide OPHP with evidence of bipolar disease treatment.

BOARD MEETING – November 30, 2005

Disciplinary Action

Pamela Lawrence, Tech #994 – Case 759: **Charges:** Possession of a controlled dangerous substance without a valid prescription and theft of merchandise. **Permit revoked.**

Jeremy N. Sexton, Tech #6755 – Case 762: **Charges:** Possession of a controlled dangerous substance without a valid prescription, theft of merchandise and prescription drug abuse. **Permit revoked.**

The Board took action in one (1) impaired case: **Case 756 - D.Ph. #9982**, pharmacist license was suspended indefinitely.

FROM THE INSPECTORS:

- **Change in Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics (OBN) Law & Rules:**
 - Marinol was changed from Schedule II to Schedule III in Oklahoma as of November 1, 2005.
 - Schedule II prescriptions are valid for 30 days. This is an increase from 5 days. NOTE: The length of time on “partial fills” remains the same – 72

hours (see 475:30-1-7).

- After contacting the prescriber, pharmacists may make the following additions to Schedule II prescriptions: the patient's age, address, the practitioner's DEA number, and the generic drug name, if used. Also, if the quantity or strength of drug is not indicated, the pharmacist may fill it in after contacting the prescriber. NOTE: Date of prescription CANNOT be added.
- In addition to nursing homes, a CII facsimile prescription may serve as the original prescription for patients in a federally certified Hospice program.
- **DEA 222 Forms:** We are finding that a number of pharmacies do not finish their 222 Forms by filling in the quantity and date received.
- **Expired Stock:** We suggest that pharmacies run their stock for expiration dates. We are seeing out of date drugs on the shelves.
- **Reminder:** Pharmacist licenses and technician permits are now renewed during your birth month. If you do not receive a renewal prior to expiration, it is your responsibility to contact the Board. NOTE: Pharmacies begin monthly renewals in January 2006. Please be sure to keep an eye on the expiration date of your pharmacy license. All renewals are mailed 60 days prior to the date of expiration.
- **CE:** Continuing education for pharmacists is still required to be obtained in the previous calendar year. For example, the 2006-2007 renewal requires 15 hours of 2005 CE.
- **Technician training current?** Pharmacies must maintain proof of technician training and have it available for inspection. Please take time to check your files that verify your technician training. These files will be checked by the inspectors. Also, for those pharmacies that use relief pharmacists, let them know where you keep

these files along with CDS invoices and 222 Forms.

- ***Are your licenses current?*** Be sure to monitor expiration dates of all Board licenses and permits posted in your pharmacy. Especially pharmacy technicians and pharmacists! It is the responsibility of each registrant to keep the Board informed of any new address, new employment, etc. The inspectors are particularly finding technicians working with expired permits during routine inspections.

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Board needs volunteers for upcoming committee work. We will have two working committees starting in 2006: Compounding Rules Committee (USP 797) and Wholesale Pedigree Rules Committee. If you wish to work on either committee, please fax or e-mail your request to the Board.

REMINDER

Board rules require that all registrants (pharmacists, technicians and interns) notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of a change of address or employment. Also, pharmacist licenses and technician permits are now renewed according to birth month. If you do not receive a renewal prior to expiration, it is your responsibility to contact the Board. It is crucial that we have your current correct address on file at the Board.

OKLAHOMA PHARMACISTS HELPING PHARMACISTS

If you or a pharmacist you care about is suffering from chemical dependency, there is a solution. Oklahoma Pharmacists Helping Pharmacists (OPHP) is readily available for help. Pharmacists in Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana may call the OPHP Help-Line at 1-800-260-7574 ext. 5. All others may call OPHP at 405-528-3338. All calls are confidential.

LET US HEAR FROM YOU

The Board welcomes your comments and questions. You may mail them to the

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