

BOARD MEETING - JUNE 28-29, 2000**New Board Compliance Officer**

We welcome Gary M. LaRue, R.Ph., of Yukon to the Board as a compliance officer. Gary joined the staff on June 29, 2000. He received his bachelor's degree in pharmacy from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in 1981. His background is in community pharmacy. He previously worked at Walgreen's for the last four years. Gary is married to Lana and has three children. Gary replaces Aaron Wilbanks who has been accepted to the OSU College of Osteopath in Tulsa.

March of Dimes

Susan Dozal is the team leader for Board employees in the annual March of Dimes WalkAmerica campaign. She received a letter of praise for the money that was raised in this year's drive. Thanks Susan for an effort well done!

Emergency Rule

The Board met on June 29th to have an emergency rule hearing. The Board voted to add rule 535:1-7-3.1 which reads: "The standard of proof in an individual proceeding or administrative hearing before the Board is that of clear and convincing evidence."

Reciprocities and Score Transfers

The following reciprocities were accepted into Oklahoma after successfully completing the Jurisprudence Exam: Alice Ann Kaulaity (KS), #12746; Mark D. Mills (IN), #12747; Kristy Lyn Pate (KS), #12748; Stephanie L. Anderson (OH), #12749; Gregory Allen Decker (MO), #12750; Loren R. McKay (LA), #12751; Daniel David Piela (WI), #12752.

Disciplinary Action*R.Ph. #7719 - Case 574*

The respondent was found guilty of eleven (11) counts of violation of the Oklahoma Pharmacy Act. She entered into an Agreed Order with the Board that suspended her license for two (2) years. She will be allowed to appear before the Board after February 2001 to request that the suspension be probated. In addition, she was fined \$3,300.00 and must be evaluated for addiction and follow the recommendation of the evaluation. If necessary, she will enter into a contract with Oklahoma Pharmacists Helping Pharmacists.

R.Ph. #7288 - Case 417

The respondent requested that the probation of his license be removed. He had participated with OPHP and met the requirements of their contract. The Board voted to lift the probation of his license. However, he must continue to work with OPHP until 2002.

Dove Foundation, #10-W-752- Case 575

The respondent had used a wholesale permit to obtain drugs for illegal dispensing,

administration and personal use. Not a licensed pharmacist, the respondent was fined \$500.00 and the wholesale permit was permanently revoked.

R.Ph. #11290 - Case 569

The respondent's license has been suspended for ninety (90) days in March for violation of his OPHP contract. He presented information to the Board that convinced them that his license should be placed in probation once again providing that he follows his contract with OPHP.

BOARD MEETING - AUGUST 9-10, 2000

Reciprocities and Score Transfers

The following reciprocities and score transfers were accepted into Oklahoma after successfully completing the Jurisprudence Exam: Kurt J. Frick (TX), #12789; Clayton H. Fuchs (TX), #12790; JoLynn Le Ray (MS), #12791; Bretta St. Romain (LA), #12792; Viengsamone Julie Sensamouth (KS), #12793; Karen L. Shook (NY), #12794; Myron Joseph Thompson (TX), #12795; Bryan Scott Pollock (AR), #12799.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The following candidates have successfully passed the Oklahoma Jurisprudence Exam and were issued a license upon successfully passing the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX): Erin Bynum, #12731; Stefanie Arias, #12732; Tara L. Jenkins, #12733; Katha Meleah Lawyer, #12734; David C. Long, #12735; David L. Choate, Jr., #12736; Brad Jimmie Hayes, #12737; Chad D. Scott, #12738; Amy Leigh Stepp, #12739; Dalyn Danee' Winton, #12740; Ryan J. Ritter, #12741; Karen Lee Verner, #12742; Mark Allen Allison, #12743; Jason S. Chappell, #12744; Michelle Lynn Vannorsdel, #12745; Alison Michelle Bates, #12753; Aaron Tate Green, #12754; Amanda Jean Hall, #12755; Kirsten Huong Trang Hua, #12756; Hye-Joo Kim, #12757; Phong Huy Luu, #12758; Vicki Cheryl McCoy, #12759; Dwayne Mar, #12760; Derek John Messmer, #12761; Timothy Michael Murray, #12762; Justin Ray Postier, #12763; Robert Thomas Ridenour, #12764; Bryan Charles Shorter, #12765; Susan Ann Ritter, #12766; Robert Douglas Walker, #12767; Guyla Kaye Burns, #12768; Adam Christopher Curling, #12769; Lisa Denise Dills, #12770; Tiffany Gould, #12771; Carla SueAnn Hawkins, #12772; Lisa N. Hua, #12773; Debra Kaylene Mills, #12774; Miriam JoAnn Oppel, #12775; Holly Diann Bridges Ottinger, #12776; Jaree Lynn Spurlock, #12777; Emily Wootten, #12778; Esther Chinedozi Amaka, #12779; Laurie N. Davis, #12780; Suu Q. Duong, #12781; Lester C. George, III, #12782; Ronda Gail Gibson, #12783; Theresa Ann Hendricks, #12784; Brady J. Rudolf, #12785; Joy K. Saiki, #12786; Michael Brittain Sterling, #12787; Ryan Lynn Stevens, #12788; Yuri Louise Jones, #12796; Kelly Chi Hiu Lau, #12797; Shane Thomas O'Riley, #12798.

RULE CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

Effective July 1, 2000, several rules were either changed or added:

- Rules were passed on "Good Compounding Practices". A copy will be sent upon request.
- Intern experience requirements were changed to allow Pharm D candidate interns

to receive all of the required 1500 hours during the Pharm D program. Hours worked outside of the college will now be reported by preceptors at the end of each 240 hours.

- The ratio of pharmacists to pharmacy technicians was changed to not exceed two technicians to one pharmacist.
- Non-pharmacist personnel working in the pharmacy must be identified to assure that the public will be able to distinguish techs and support personnel from the pharmacists. Implementation is required by **July 1, 2001**, of technician and support personnel job designation tags. Designation tags must be 1 ½" x 3 ½" and have "Rx Tech" or "Clerk" in 1" letters.
- By **July 1, 2001**, all non-pharmacist personnel must also identify themselves as a pharmacy tech or clerk on any phone calls initiated or received while performing pharmacy functions.
- Electronic transfer of prescription refill information is now allowed.
- Pharmacies that do not require weighing of drugs or chemicals in their practice may request an exception from the Board on the requirement of balances in the pharmacy.
- The required library list was shortened and the age of the publication is listed to explain "recent copy". If a computer source is used by the pharmacy, one reference book is also required.
- Lock out pharmacies no longer require a solid partition but a floor to ceiling secure partition.
- For pharmacies that want to record CDS script refills electronically and were unable to meet the requirement of a "CDS On Hand Inventory Report", the requirement of that report has been deleted.

REMINDER FROM THE INSPECTORS

The Bureau of Narcotics requires that inventories and records of CDS's in schedule III, IV, and V shall be maintained separately from all other records. This includes invoices.

CORRECTION

In the July Newsletter article on 50-Year Gold Certificates we inadvertently failed to include former Oklahoma Senator Ernest D. Martin of Ardmore who earned his pharmacist certificate in February of 1950.

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