

# Minnesota Board of Pharmacy

## SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHTH MEETING

At approximately 8:30 a.m., October 29, 2003, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom.

After reviewing, revising, and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of September 17, 2003. Mr. Carleton Crawford moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Cub Pharmacy #769, in Arden Hills, Minnesota, by Mr. James Pederson, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Carleton Crawford moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and with special attention being paid to the adequacy of the patient-counseling area. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Curt's Pharmacy, in Albert Lea, Minnesota, by Mr. Curtis Clarambeau, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Carleton Crawford seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and with special attention being paid to the adequacy of the patient-counseling area. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreen's Pharmacy #07812, in Rogers, Minnesota, by Ms. Brenda Armstrong, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and with special attention being paid to the adequacy of the patient-counseling area. The motion passed.

The fourth and final application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreen's Pharmacy #07388, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Mr. Landen Sanderson, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Gary Schneider moved and Mr. Carleton Crawford seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and with special attention being paid to the adequacy of the patient-counseling area. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force. The first list of programs was submitted to and reviewed by the task force between the dates of August 12th and September 9th, 2003, while the second list covered the dates September 9th through October 7th, 2003. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that those programs recommended for approval by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force be so approved and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

The Board next entered into a discussion of the issue of whether continuing education requirements should be structured in such a way that during each two-year reporting cycle each pharmacist through their continuing education participation must address a specific topic. The Board took no formal action, but the issue was referred to the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force for discussion.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with scores of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity and by examination. After a review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Mr. Gary Schneider moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

| <u>CERTIFICATE #</u> | <u>NAME</u>              | <u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 8520                 | Melissa Ann Bumgardner   | CO                                 |
| 8521                 | Mark Anthony Burggraff   | IA                                 |
| 8523                 | Jeff Lynn Scott          | CO                                 |
| 8524                 | Shauna Danielle Ackerman | ND                                 |
| 8525                 | Sharon L. Moulder        | PA                                 |
| 8531                 | Francis M. Nash          | MT                                 |

The motion passed.

For the Full Board Examination candidates, the Board determined that, in grading the examinations, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination weighted at 20% of the total, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Mr. Gary Schneider moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

| <u>NAME</u>        | <u>CERTIFICATE #</u> | <u>REGISTRATION #</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Brandy D. Pillar   | 8157                 | 117905-3              |
| Julie Kersti Lagus | 8516                 | 117904-0              |
| Katrina B. Steig   | 8519                 | 117906-6              |
| Roger John Pekula  | 8522                 | 117909-5              |
| Shihab Ahmed Syed  | 8530                 | 117913-4              |

The motion passed.

The Board next received a report from Mr. Holmstrom on the last meeting of the Internship Advisory Committee. The report was received, but no formal Board action was required.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with the report from the Board's Variance Committee. In addition, Mr. Holmstrom provided additional material relating to the variance request submitted by Pediatric Home Service Pharmacy and received a verbal report from Pharmacy Board Surveyor Candice Fleming regarding her recent visit to Pediatric Home Service Pharmacy. After discussing the request from Pediatric Home Service Pharmacy that PHS-affiliated nurses might, in special circumstances, transmit orders from a physician to the pharmacy, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the variance requested by Pediatric Home Service Pharmacy be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Tom Schroeder, an attorney representing St. Joseph's Medical Center, in Brainerd, Minnesota, Ms. Janie Wiebolt, Vice President of Operations, of St. Joseph's Medical Center, in Brainerd, Minnesota, and Mr. Bill Schommer, Pharmacist at Fairview University Pharmacies, in the Twin Cities, appeared before the Board to discuss the variance request that had been submitted regarding a proposed telepharmacy project to a soon to be opened clinic in Pillager, Minnesota, which would be affiliated with St. Joseph's Medical Center, in Brainerd, Minnesota. After a lengthy discussion of the issues involved in this telepharmacy request, and the impact on the health care of the citizens of Pillager that such a request, if granted, would have, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Carleton Crawford seconded that the Board defer taking final action on this request and invite input from pharmacies in the area whose continued ability to provide health care services to the residents of Pillager might be affected by this proposal. The motion passed.

At this time, pharmacists Gerald Christianson, Harlan Langstraat, and Peter Bjerke, from the Mayo Clinic Pharmacies appeared before the Board to discuss a variance request that involves the expansion of the prescription filling and other ancillary services provided by the Annex Satellite in the Mayo Complex to a neighborhood Mayo-affiliated clinic several miles away. After a thorough discussion, it was determined that the Annex facility should be licensed as a separate pharmacy and as a drug manufacturer with certain exemptions from typical GMP requirements being provided, after which time the Annex facility could provide the services to the various Mayo Pharmacies it currently services and expand those services to additional Mayo sites.

The Board next turned its attention to the remaining items on the Variance Committee report. Mr. Gary Schneider then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board adopt the Variance Committee report as amended. A copy of the Variance Committee report is appended to these minutes.

Mr. Gary Cacciatore, Pharm.D., J.D., Regulatory Counsel and Director of Regulatory Affairs for Cardinal Health, now appeared before the Board to present the Board with information regarding a new program of off-site order entry of hospital medication orders being developed by Cardinal. After a lengthy discussion with Mr. Cacciatore, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board defer taking any final action on whether licensure of the facility and the pharmacists providing the service described by Mr. Cacciatore would be required in Minnesota until the Board meeting of December 3, 2003. In the intervening time period, the Board will review the materials provided by Mr. Cacciatore and further discuss the proposal. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with information he received from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) regarding the Board's participation in the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination item writing and item review and NABP's request that the Board attend a state-specific review meeting scheduled for January of 2004. After a brief discussion, the Board confirmed its willingness to attend the January meeting and identified Ms. Candice Fleming and Ms. Betty Johnson as the Board's representatives at that meeting.

President Betty Johnson next led a brief discussion of a letter she received from a Minneapolis attorney regarding issues relating to the importation of prescription drugs from Canada and briefly discussed her response to the attorney.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with information acknowledging former Board member Lowell Anderson as being the 2004 recipient of the Remington medal in pharmacy. The Board members were unanimous in their congratulations to Mr. Anderson for receiving this prestigious honor.

There being no further business requiring Board action to come before the Board at this time, President Johnson adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:35 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**VARIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**October 1, 2003**

**New Variances**

Cash Wise Clinic Pharmacy #1803 (Marshall)

Todd Schweer, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Cash Wise Clinic Pharmacy #1801 (Willmar)

Thomas DeBoer, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Cash Wise Pharmacy #11 (Hutchinson)

Laura Longie, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Cash Wise Pharmacy #15 (Moorhead)

Corey Burnside, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Cash Wise Pharmacy #13 (New Ulm)

Shawn Guymon, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Cash Wise Pharmacy #14 (Owatonna)

Ricky Hurd, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Cash Wise Pharmacy #9 (Waite Park)

Holly Senn, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Cash Wise Pharmacy #4 (Willmar)

James Keuseman, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Children's Home Care Pharmacy (Minneapolis)

Mark Thomas, PIC

Request permission to use RNs to report the expiration dates of the medications, the validity of the temperature seal, and the correctness of the anaphylaxis kit contents on a bi-monthly basis.

Pharmacy would retain documentation of all kits released and send requests for expiring kits to be returned to Homecare Pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition V. D., on page 2, is amended to read 30 days instead of ~~60~~, and RNs are not to remove tamper proof seal, and the kit to be returned to pharmacy every six months for checking by pharmacist)

Coborn's Collegeville Pharmacy (Collegeville)

Bruce Winch, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Long Term Care Pharmacy (St. Cloud)

Jeffrey White, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #29 (Albertville)

David Steen, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #28 (Delano)

Carl Ingebrigtsen, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #23 (Elk River)

James Mulroy, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #2 (Foley)

Trace Roller, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #6 (Little Falls)

Alice Sunde, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #17 (Mora)

John Lindblom, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #30 (Park Rapids)

Bryan Ridgley, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #19 (Princeton)

Mark Hughes, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #3 (St. Cloud)

Kenneth Bieganeck, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #5 (St. Cloud)

Loni Stromme, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #7 (Sartell)

Dana Forsberg, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #22 (Sauk Centre)

Dennis Heinen, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Coborn's Pharmacy #1 (Sauk Rapids)

James Gotta, PIC

Request permission to store pharmacy prescriptions and other documented records that are at least two years old at an off site location, due to limited locked storage within the pharmacy

Approved – one year (on condition that access is limited to pharmacists and/or technicians)

Cuyuna Regional Medical Center Pharmacy (Crosby)

Michael Brauch, PIC

Request permission to allow for after hours medication withdrawals from the in-patient pharmacy comparable to our in-patient policy

Denied (suggest that you review E-kit and, if needed, request expanded E-kit)

Fairview Oxboro Pharmacy (Bloomington)

Bill Schommer, Director of Pharmacy Operations

Request permission to utilize the ADDS system to dispense medications to patients at the new Pillager Family Clinic

Denied (there is a licensed pharmacy opening soon in Pillager)

Fairview Southdale Hospital Pharmacy (Edina)

Carl Woetzel, PIC

Request permission to allow utilization of a Tech-Check-Tech program, in accordance with the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy approved MSHP proposal

Approved – one year (as long as you follow the approved guidelines; also, send us completed policies and procedures)

FAIRx Pharmacy (Unknown)

Dan Lannon, PIC

Request permission to: 1) fill maintenance medications only; 2) fill prescriptions for uninsured cash paying customer; and 3) not to carry controlled substances within our pharmacy

Approved – one year

Family Pharmacy-Sandstone (Sandstone)

James Michels, PIC

Request permission to utilize the ScriptPro SP 200 Robotic Dispensing System in our pharmacy

Deferred (who is "authorized user;" also, who, if anyone, does final check of product and how will this be done)

Mayo Clinic Pharmacy-Mary Brigh (Rochester)

Kevin Berg, PIC

Request exemption from the requirement that a pharmacist check the original labeled container a medication is dispensed from when certifying a prescription, in order to utilize automation in our pharmacy

Approved – one year

Merwin Drug (Andover)

Dennis Johnson, PIC

Request permission to utilize an automated counting machine, in order to free up pharmacist's time to do more direct patient consultation

Deferred (how will final certification be done? Board staff approve if okay)

Omnicare-Minnesota (Crystal)

Justin Weiss, PIC

Request permission to increase the number of single doses of certain controlled substance narcotic analgesics for use in emergency kits located in sub-acute or transitional care units

Approved – one year

PharMerica (Fridley)

Joan Lucas, Consultant Pharmacist

Request permission to increase analgesics for use in emergency kits

Approved – one year

PharMerica (Fridley)

Scott Bryngelson, PIC

Request permission to amend previously granted variance to include trained medical aides employed by PharMerica to assist pharmacists in checking and inventorying emergency kits at long term care facilities serviced by PharMerica

Denied (cannot amend variance to include trained medical aides, RNs only)

Rice County District 1 Hospital Pharmacy (Faribault)

Tim Larson, PIC

Request permission to utilize technicians to fill the unit dose medication cart, with a qualified and trained technician responsible for checking the medication cart prior to delivery to the nursing units

Deferred (date on policies and procedures is 1993)

St. Mary's Regional Health Center (Detroit Lakes)

Shelley Doherty Johnsen, PIC

Request permission to utilize the Omnicell automated medication dispensing system at their facility

Approved – one year

Snyder's Drug Store #5068 (Brooklyn Park)

Jodi Robinson, PIC

Request permission to utilize the ScriptPro automated counting machine in their pharmacy

Approved – one year (but no "certification" by memory allowed)

Snyder's Drug Store #5054 (Eden Prairie)

Chad Rieger, PIC

Request permission to utilize the Baker automated counting machine in their pharmacy

Approved – one year (but no "certification" by memory allowed)

SuperiorHealth Pharmacy (Silver Bay)

Andrew Buell, PIC

Request permission for authority to be pharmacist-in-charge at both SuperiorHealth Pharmacy and MN Veterans Home, both in Silver Bay

Approved – one year

Target Pharmacy T-5 (Bloomington)

Theresa Zotaley, PIC

Request permission to utilize automated counting machines, in the form of non-interfaced Baker cassettes, in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Target Pharmacy T-240 (Brooklyn Center)

Jill Olson, PIC

Request permission to utilize automated counting machines, in the form of non-interfaced Baker cassettes, in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Target Pharmacy T-3 (Crystal)

Lori Borchardt, PIC

Request permission to utilize automated counting machines, in the form of non-interfaced Baker cassettes, in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Target Pharmacy T-220 (Eden Prairie)

Sandra Seifert-Peterson, PIC

Request permission to utilize automated counting machines, in the form of non-interfaced Baker cassettes, in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Target Pharmacy T-8 (Fridley)

William Johnson, PIC

Request permission to utilize automated counting machines, in the form of non-interfaced Baker cassettes, in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Target Pharmacy T-664 (Plymouth)

Melissa Varghese, PIC

Request permission to utilize automated counting machines, in the form of non-interfaced Baker cassettes, in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Target Pharmacy T-260 (St. Louis Park)

Larry Tebbe, PIC

Request permission to utilize automated counting machines, in the form of non-interfaced Baker cassettes, in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Target Pharmacy T-68 (St. Paul)

Larry Miller, PIC

Request permission to utilize automated counting machines, in the form of non-interfaced Baker cassettes, in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Walgreens #05413 (Blaine)

Aija Liepins, PIC

Request permission to utilize the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cassettes in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Walgreens Pharmacy #4394 (Bloomington)

Paul Degen, PIC

Request permission to utilize the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cells in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Walgreens #04725 (Champlin)

Colleen Dols, PIC

Request permission to utilize the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cells in their pharmacy

Approved – one year

Walgreens #04697 (Fridley)  
Chad Nellis, PIC  
Request permission to utilize the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cells in their pharmacy  
Deferred (clarify whether this is cassettes or cells)

Walgreens Pharmacy (Lexington)  
Thuan Do, PIC  
Request permission to utilize the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cells in their pharmacy  
Approved – one year

Walgreens Pharmacy #1811 (Minneapolis)  
Joseph Brennan, PIC  
Request permission to utilize the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cassettes in their pharmacy  
Deferred (clarify whether this is cassettes or cells)

Walgreens Pharmacy #2039 (Minneapolis)  
Lorie Reed, PIC  
Request permission to utilize the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cassettes in their pharmacy  
Approved – one year

Walgreens Pharmacy #1804 (Roseville)  
Paul Miller, PIC  
Request permission to utilize the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cassettes in their pharmacy  
Approved – one year

Walgreens Pharmacy #2139 (St. Paul)  
Mark Lindgren, PIC  
Request permission to utilize the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cassettes in their pharmacy  
Approved – one year

## **Extensions**

Bois Forte Medical Clinic (Nett Lake)  
William Marvel, PIC  
Extension relates to variance to prepackage medications for the Tower Vermillion Medical Clinic  
Approved – one year

Cash Wise Pharmacy #11 (Hutchinson)  
Laura Longie, PIC  
Extension relates to variance to utilize the Baker Automated Dispensing System at your pharmacy (specifically, you sought exemption from the Board's requirement that pharmacists check the manufacturer's original container from which the medication was withdrawn during the certification process of prescription filling)  
Approved – two years

Cash Wise Pharmacy #14 (Owatonna)  
Ricky Hurd, PIC  
Extension relates to variance to utilize the Baker Automated Dispensing System at your pharmacy (specifically, you sought exemption from the Board's requirement that pharmacists check the manufacturer's original container from which the medication was withdrawn during the certification process of prescription filling)  
Approved – two years

Children's Home Care Pharmacy (Minneapolis)

Mark Thomas, PIC

Extension relates to variance allowing exemption of required pieces of equipment in pharmacies

Approved – two years

Coborn's Pharmacy (Sauk Centre)

Dennis Heinen, PIC

Extension relates to variance allowing the establishment of a hospice emergency medication box at St. Michael's, in Sauk Centre

Approved – one year

Cuyuna Lakes Pharmacy (Crosby)

Frank Ruzich, PIC

Extension relates to variance for the telepharmacy project you have implemented connecting Cuyuna Lakes Pharmacy in Crosby with the Longville Lakes Clinic in Longville

Approved – one year

Muller Valu-Rite Pharmacy (West St. Paul)

Daniel Lannon, PIC

Extension relates to variance to utilize the Baker Automated Dispensing System at your pharmacy (specifically, you sought exemption from the Board's requirement that pharmacists check the manufacturer's original container from which the medication was withdrawn during the certification process of prescription filling)

Approved – two years

Northern Itasca Pharmacy (Bigfork)

William Swanson, PIC

Extension relates to variance allowing prepackaging of various prescription drugs to be dispensed by physicians in the Northome and Big Falls Clinics, and also in the Four Rivers Clinic, located in Floodwood

Approved – one year

St. Mary's Regional Health Center (Detroit Lakes)

Shelley Doherty Johnsen, PIC

Extension relates to variance allowing you to retain certification of first-fill orders for 30 days rather than two years

Approved – one year

Shopko Pharmacy #2057 (Winona)

Tom Williams, PIC

Extension relates to variance to utilize the Baker Cell cassettes at your pharmacy (specifically, you sought exemption from the Board's requirement that pharmacists check the manufacturer's original container from which the medication was withdrawn during the certification process of prescription filling)

Approved – one year

Unity Hospital Pharmacy (Fridley)

William Shutte, PIC

Extension relates to variance allowing a technician to pharmacist ratio of three-to-one for a specific time period and a four-to-one ratio for another time period

Deferred (invite to the full Board meeting)

Walgreens #06056 (Woodbury)

Greg Shillings, PIC

Extension relates to variance to utilize the Baker APS System at your pharmacy (specifically, you sought exemption from the Board's requirement that pharmacists check the manufacturer's original container from which the medication was withdrawn during the certification process of prescription filling)

Approved – one year

White Drug #23 (Detroit Lakes)

Wanda Drewes, PIC

Extension relates to variance allowing an emergency kit for the use of hospice nurses which is stored in a locked med room at Emmanuel Nursing Home in Detroit Lakes

Approved – one year

**PIC Changes:**

Thrifty White Drug Store #744 (Cloquet)

Patricia DeLaPointe, PIC

Variance relates to accepting medication returns from certain assisted-living facilities and allowing you to utilize a 4:1 technician to pharmacist ratio during certain limited hours of operation

Approved – one year

Walgreens Pharmacy (Brooklyn Center)

Phuong Huynh, PIC

Variance relates to utilizing the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cassettes in their pharmacy

Approved – one year (but, upon renewing this variance, be consistent regarding whether using cells or cassettes)

Walgreens Pharmacy #5883 (Crystal)

Brenda Armstrong, PIC

Variance relates to utilizing the Baker APS system's automated counting Baker cells in their pharmacy

Approved – one year (but, upon renewing this variance, be consistent regarding whether using cells or cassettes)

Walgreens Pharmacy #5882 (New Hope)

James Adams, PIC

Variance relates to utilizing the McKesson APS system's automated counting cells in their pharmacy

Approved – one year (but, upon renewing this variance, be consistent regarding whether using cells or cassettes)