

# Minnesota Board of Pharmacy

## EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTY EIGHTH MEETING

At approximately 9:00 a.m., on July 30, 2014, 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 were the Board's Executive Director, Dr. Cody Wiberg; Deputy Director, Dr. Beth Ferguson; Legal Counsel, Mr. Bryan Huffman; and Board of Pharmacy staff, Ms. Candice Fleming, Ms. Karen Schreiner, Ms. Michele Mattila, Ms. Ame Carlson, Mr. Tim Litsey, Ms. Judy Little, and Ms. Patricia Eggers.

The Board's President, Mr. Stuart Williams, called the meeting to order.

The Board first discussed the minutes of the June 11, 2014 business meeting. The minutes of the June 11, 2014 meeting were adopted after noting that there is a correction on the bottom of page 2 which changes the word able to table.

Mr. Bob Goetz moved and Mr. Rabih Nahas seconded that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

The Consent Agenda for the meeting was as follows:

- Variance Committee Report – Approve
- CE Report - Approve

Ms. Laura Schwartzwald moved and Ms. Karen Bergrud seconded to approve the remainder of the agenda with the addition to the agenda of a discussion concerning the Task Force for Medical Cannabis. The agenda was approved.

The first variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was from Technician Cameron Axberg. Mr. Axberg is requesting that he not be required to complete the required pharmacy technician training since he is applying to pharmacy school. After some discussion, Ms. Karen Bergrud moved and Ms. Kay Hanson seconded that the variance request be denied. The motion passed unanimously.

The second variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was from Pharmacist Heather Bibeau on behalf of Technician Julie Martell. Ms. Bibeau is requesting that the requirement to do the required pharmacy technician training be waived. Mr. Justin Barnes moved and Ms. Laura Schwartzwald seconded that the variance request be approved on condition that, if she ever works as a technician in another setting, she needs to do the required training. The motion passed unanimously.

The third variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was a request from Sterling Drug #8 in Worthington. Sterling Drug is requesting the variance to utilize a tele-pharmacy in Harmony. The Variance and Policy Review Committee made recommendations to the Board to deny the variance until the Board receives

adequate policies and procedures that address the tele-pharmacy operation, including unique identifier per MN Rule 6800.0100 subp. 17 and address proper staffing at the hub pharmacy in Worthington. Ms. Laura Schwartzwald moved and Ms. Karen Bergrud seconded to accept the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee. The motion passed.

The fourth variance and policy review issue, to come before the Board, was a request from Winona Health Services Clinic Pharmacy in Winona. Winona Health Services Clinic Pharmacy is requesting a variance to utilize a tele-pharmacy at the Parkview Pharmacy at Winona State University in Winona. The Variance and Policy Review Committee made recommendations to deny the variance. Mr. Bob Goetz moved and Ms. Karen Bergrud seconded to accept the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee. The motion passed.

Mr. Rabih Nahas excused himself from the meeting at this time.

The fifth to the fifteenth variance and policy review issues to come before the Board was a policy review from Abbott Northwestern Hospital Pharmacy in Minneapolis, Allina Health Regina Hospital in Hastings, Buffalo Hospital Pharmacy, Cambridge Medical Center Pharmacy, Mercy Hospital Pharmacy, New Ulm Medical Center Pharmacy, Owatonna Hospital, Phillips Eye Institute Pharmacy in Minneapolis, St. Francis Regional Medical Center Pharmacy, United Hospital Pharmacy in St. Paul, and Unity Hospital Pharmacy. The Variance and Policy Review Committee recommends permanent approval of the policies. Ms. Karen Bergrud moved and Ms. Laura Schwartzwald seconded that the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee be approved. The motion passed.

At this time Mr. Rabih Nahas returned to the meeting and Ms. Laura Schwartzwald excused herself from the meeting.

The sixteenth variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was a variance request from Arrowhead Pharmacy in Grand Marais. They are requesting a variance to conduct a tele-pharmacy in Grand Portage. The Variance and Policy Review Committee recommends denial of the variance until they resubmit the request to the Grand Portage Tribal Council and the Council approves the concept of a tele-pharmacy. Mr. Bob Goetz moved and Mr. Justin Barnes seconded that the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee be approved. The motion passed.

The seventeenth variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was a variance request from Arrowhead Pharmacy in Grand Marais. They are requesting a variance to utilize a non-continuous space for entry, filling, and storage of prescription cassettes. The Variance and Policy Review Committee recommends denial of the variance due to the inability to directly supervise the technicians. Mr. Justin Barnes moved and Ms. Kay Hanson seconded that the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee be approved. The motion passed.

The eighteenth variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was a variance request from Guidepoint Pharmacy in Slayton. They are requesting a variance to allow the utilization of a tele-pharmacy in Fulda. The Variance and Policy Review Committee recommends a one year approval on condition that they schedule an on-site inspection and provide documented staff training and other conditions involving prescription volume and staffing. Ms. Karen Bergrud moved and Ms. Kay Hanson seconded that the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee be approved. The motion passed.

The nineteenth and twentieth variance and policy review issues to come before the Board were variance requests from Guidepoint Pharmacy #101 in Brainerd. They are requesting a variance to allow the delivery of prescriptions to the nursing staff of assisted living facilities (ALF) and/or home health care offices and a variance to allow patient specific prescriptions to be stored and used to dispense small quantities in order to eliminate errors for high risk patients. The Variance and Policy Review Committee recommends informing the pharmacy that these variances are no longer needed as long as they provide policies and procedures for dispensing accountability, inventory tracking, and that they comply with DEA regulations. The Board accepted the Variance and Policy Review Committee's recommendations.

The twenty-first variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was a policy review request from Guidepoint Pharmacy #101 in Brainerd. They are requesting a policy review of a Parata Max automated prescription filling robot. The Variance and Policy Review Committee recommends that the policies not be approved and that they should be resubmitted to meet MN Rule 6800.2600. Mr. Justin Barnes moved and Mr. Bob Goetz seconded that the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee be approved. The motion passed.

At this time Ms. Laura Schwartzwald returned to the meeting and Mr. Bob Goetz excused himself from the meeting.

The twenty-third variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was a policy review request from Walgreens #1109-2 in Muscle Shoals, AL. They are requesting a policy review of their central service call center. The Variance and Policy Review Committee recommends a one year approval of the policies on condition that within 30 days they are made more specific to Minnesota, that the Board is notified as to which Minnesota pharmacies are utilizing the call center, that there is no change in the type of service provided, and that the pharmacists providing service for Minnesota patients are licensed as pharmacists in Minnesota. Ms. Karen Bergrud moved and Mr. Rabih Nahas seconded that the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee be approved. The motion passed.

The twenty-fourth variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was a policy review request from Walgreens #1261-2 in Orlando, FL. They are requesting a policy review of their central service call center. The Variance and Policy

Review Committee recommends a one year approval of the policies on condition that within 30 days they are made more specific to Minnesota, that the Board is notified as to which Minnesota pharmacies are utilizing the call center, that there is no change in the type of service provided, and that the pharmacists providing service for Minnesota patients are licensed as pharmacists in Minnesota. Ms. Karen Bergrud moved and Mr. Rabih Nahas seconded that the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee be approved. The motion passed.

The twenty-fifth variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was a policy review request from Walgreens Pharmacy 2661 in Apple Valley. They are requesting a policy review of the Yuyama Vial Filling automated counting machine. The Variance and Policy Review Committee recommends that the policies not be approved and that they should be resubmitted to meet MN Rule 6800.2600. Mr. Justin Barnes moved and Mr. Rabih Nahas seconded that the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee be approved. The motion passed.

The twenty-sixth variance and policy review issue to come before the Board was a policy review request from Walgreens Pharmacy #05048 in Hastings. They are requesting a policy review of the Yuyama Cassettes. The Variance and Policy Review Committee recommends that the policies not be approved and that they should be resubmitted to meet MN Rule 6800.2600. Mr. Justin Barnes moved and Mr. Rabih Nahas seconded that the recommendations of the Variance and Policy Review Committee be approved. The motion passed.

Ms. Laura Schwartzwald and Ms. Kay Hanson next requested that the Board produce some guidance on how to do a policy and procedure and how to write up policy requests.

Mr. Stuart Williams next addressed the issue of pharmacist participation in executions, suggesting that discussion of the issue be deferred from the September Board meeting until the December Board meeting, which will be after the American Society of Pharmacy Law conference, where this issue will be discussed. President Williams then informed Dr. Wiberg that the direction of the Board that this issue be addressed at the September Board is being withdrawn. The Board concurred with this change.

Mr. Stuart Williams next discussed the recent Minnesota Supreme Court Decision in re *Graphic Communications Local 1 v. CVS Caremark Corporation* and Minnesota Statutes 151.21. Mr. Williams is requesting that Dr. Wiberg request an opinion from the MN Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board about pharmacist members of the Board to find out if there is a conflict of interest in the discussion of this decision. Mr. Justin Barnes moved and Mr. Bob Goetz seconded that the request be granted. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Wiberg asked the Board to table the consideration of approval of Career Step Pharmacy Technician Training program because staff had not yet received some additional information that had been requested. The issue was tabled.

Ms. Barb Carter next gave an update on the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP). Ms. Carter informed the Board that the PMP Advisory Task Force would begin a series of meetings concerning a report that the Board must submit to the Legislature by December. The next meeting of the Task Force will be on August 26, 2014. The report will be ready for discussion at the December 10, 2014 Board meeting.

At this time Dr. Wiberg submitted a proposal to the Board to change how the Committee on Professional Standards and the Complaint Review Panel work. Mr. Williams suggested that we have an adhoc task force set up to determine how the combination of the Committees will work. After much discussion, the Board requested that we set up a task force of three to discuss these issues.

At this time, Mr. Williams began a discussion of how the Board handles variances when a variance request is approved but on condition. They are informed that they need to submit the information to the Board within a certain timeframe but they either do not see that condition or they just don't submit the information. The Board granted staff the authorization to develop language to be put in the variance approval letters to make sure that pharmacists understand the condition.

At this time the Board discussed the Board and Variance Committee meeting dates. When a few corrections are made, staff will e-mail these dates to the Board Members.

Dr. Wiberg next provided information to the Board about a power outage in the building that occurred last week and that resulted in the office being closed for a day. .

Ms. Laura Schwartzwald next informed the Board that she was appointed by the Governor to the new Task Force on Medical Cannabis. Ms. Schwartzwald agreed to provide an update concerning this task force at future meetings. Dr. Wiberg pointed out that Ms. Schwartzwald is not representing the Board on this Task Force.

The Board next discussed additions to be made to the delegation of authority for Ms. Barbara Carter. Ms. Karen Bergrud moved and Mr. Rabih Nahas seconded that the new delegation of authority be signed. The motion passed.

Ms. Michele Mattila next discussed a possible NABP/AACP District V resolution concerning allergy information and e-prescribing. Mr. Williams advised the Board that he will be presenting a resolution to NABP/AACP District V Meeting that NABP concerning the sponsorship of NABP district and national meetings.

There being no further business requiring action by the Board, Mr. Justin Barnes moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion occurred at approximately 12:09 PM and Ms. Karen Bergrud seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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PRESIDENT

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**Variance Committee Report of July 16, 2014  
for Board Meeting of July 30, 2014  
9:00 AM in the Board's Office**

Attendees: Kay Hanson, Stuart Williams, Candice Fleming, Michele Mattila, Ame Carlson, Karen Schreiner, Lisa Ganske, Sarah Brown, Megan Born, Jeri Nowak, Cindy Zappa, Kristi Gullickson, Rachel Root, Jenifer Watters, Carisa Finke, and Jesse Androff

**Meeting Appointments:**

**10:00**

Fairview Pharmacy Central Services  
Jeri Nowak

Minneapolis  
262538-006

policy review of central services

**Your policies are not approved**

Submit policies for centralized prescription processing and filling specific for this location and cross reference MN Rule 6800.4075. Include a list of all pharmacies involved. In addition, submit a variance to MN Rule 6800.3100

Fairview University Discharge Pharmacy  
Jeffrey Fahrenbruch

Minneapolis  
262544-007

policy review of a TCGRx automated inventory management system

**Your policies are not approved**

The policies do not meet MN Rule 6800.2600 and you must include the model number of the TCGRx

Fairview Compounding Pharmacy  
Paul Nowak

Minneapolis  
262526-007

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist within your own facility

**Deferred**

Submit policies that address accurate accountability of each pharmacist and technician involved in the dispensing process

Fairview Pharmacy Fridley  
Richard Van Heuveln

Fridley  
264395-001

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist, from any approved licensed Fairview outpatient pharmacy in Minnesota

**Deferred**

Submit policies to include centralized prescription processing and filling specific for this location and cross reference MN Rule 6800.4075. Include a list of all pharmacies involved

Fairview Home Infusion  
Jeffery Prosch

Minneapolis  
262531-004

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions by more than one pharmacist within your own facility

**Approved – One Year**

Fairview Pharmacy Residential Services  
Kevin Johnson

Minneapolis  
263698-001

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions by more than one pharmacist within your own facility

**Approved – One Year**

Fairview Specialty Services Pharmacy  
Paul Fischer

Minneapolis  
262542-005

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions by more than one pharmacist within your own facility

**Approved – One Year**

Fairview Pharmacies  
Sarah Brown

31 Locations

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist, from any approved licensed Fairview outpatient pharmacy in Minnesota

**Deferred**

Submit policies to include centralized prescription processing and filling specific for this location and cross reference MN Rule 6800.4075, include a list all of pharmacies involved

**10:30**

Abbott Northwestern Hospital Pharmacy  
Kristine Gullickson

Minneapolis  
201004-009

policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends approval

Allina Health Regina Hospital  
Jenifer Watters

Hastings  
264271-002

policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends approval

Buffalo Hospital Pharmacy  
Dawn Hagen  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet  
**Deferred to the Board**  
The Committee recommends approval

Buffalo  
200454-004

Cambridge Medical Center Pharmacy  
Scott Skelton  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet  
**Deferred to the Board**  
The Committee recommends approval

Cambridge  
200635-007

Mercy Hospital Pharmacy  
Brent Kosel  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet  
**Deferred to the Board**  
The Committee recommends approval

Coon Rapids  
260411-008

New Ulm Medical Center Pharmacy  
Reid Horning  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet  
**Deferred to the Board**  
The Committee recommends approval

New Ulm  
260416-006

Owatonna Hospital  
Jeffrey Bouman  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet  
**Deferred to the Board**  
The Committee recommends approval

Owatonna  
260447-007

Phillips Eye Institute Pharmacy  
Jay Dahlstrom  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet  
**Deferred to the Board**  
The Committee recommends approval

Minneapolis  
260484-005

St. Francis Regional Medical Center Pharmacy  
Janell Schultz  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet  
**Deferred to the Board**  
The Committee recommends approval

Shakopee  
200746-005

United Hospital Pharmacy  
Lisa Gersema  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet  
**Deferred to the Board**  
The Committee recommends approval

St. Paul  
200452-012

Unity Hospital Pharmacy  
Daniel Niznick  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing cabinet  
**Deferred to the Board**  
The Committee recommends approval

Fridley  
260414-012

**11:00**

Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center  
Carisa Finke  
to allow the utilization of the Tech-Check-Tech program in the pharmacy  
**Denied**

Anoka  
200800-006

**11:30**

Merwin LTC PassPort #4  
Matthew Schille  
to allow an exemption from the Board's rule regarding having a pharmacist on duty at all times  
**Denied**

Minneapolis  
Pending

Merwin LTC PassPort #4  
Matthew Schille  
to allow an exemption from the Board's rule regarding space and security  
**Denied**

Minneapolis  
Pending

Merwin LTC PassPort #4  
Matthew Schille  
to allow an exemption from the Board's rule regarding having certain reference books and equipment  
**Denied**

Minneapolis  
Pending

Merwin LTC PassPort #4  
Matthew Schille  
to allow the pharmacist to be pharmacist-in-charge at more than one location  
**Denied**

Minneapolis  
Pending

Merwin LTC PassPort #4

Minneapolis

Matthew Schille

Pending

to allow an exemption from the Board's rule regarding the patients having access to a pharmacist

**Denied**

Merwin LTC PassPort #4

Minneapolis

Matthew Schille

Pending

to allow the compounding and certification functions to be completed at the parent pharmacy

**Denied**

### **Policy Reviews:**

Corner Drug Health Mart

Le Sueur

Michelle Steiger

261048-001

policy review of Parata's PASS (Patient Adherence Strip System) system utilizing the Parata PASS 208 (PP208) packaging machine and the Parata PacMed Server Plus (PSP) software program

**Your policies are not approved**

Resubmit your policies and procedures to meet MN Rule 6800.2600

Essentia Health Virginia LLC

Virginia

Tara Parks

264001-003

policy review of an InstyMed medication vending machine

**Your policies are not approved**

Resubmit your policies and procedures to meet MN Rule 6800.2600, include pharmacist quality assurance check per MN 6800.3950 subp. 4, explain the process for approval of the system's medication formulary, provide evidence that controlled substance prescriptions meet DEA requirements, that reconstitution is completed per MN Statute 151.15 subd. 4., that MN Statute 151.211 is met, and include the patient's freedom of choice

Geritom Medical Inc. Pharmacy

Bloomington

Jason Wachtl

261375-006

policy review of an Automed/Fastpak machine

**Your policies are not approved**

Resubmit your policies and procedures after consult with Board staff to address 6800.2600, Subp. 2

Guidepoint Pharmacy #101  
Michael Schwartzwald  
policy review of a Parata Max automated prescription filling robot  
**Your policies are not approved**  
Resubmit policies and procedures to meet MN Rule 6800.2600 and clarify unique identifier per MN 6800.0100 subp. 17

Brainerd  
261373-004

Hy-Vee Pharmacy Fulfillment Center (4016)  
Jonathan Fransen  
policy review of unique identifiers  
**Your policies are not approved**  
Resubmit policies and procedures to meet MN Rule 6800.0100, Subp. 17

Des Moines  
264241-004

Renville County Hospital Pharmacy  
Stephen Junker  
policy review of an Omnicell automated dispensing machine  
**Your policies are not approved**  
Schedule an on-site consultation to discuss policies and resubmit your policies and procedures to meet MN Rule 6800.2600

Olivia  
200309-004

Thrifty White Drug #762  
Bradley Phillips  
policy review of unique identifiers  
**Your policies are not approved**  
Resubmit policies and procedures to meet MN Rule 6800.0100 subp. 17 to address unique identifier for technicians

Plymouth  
262827-008

Thrifty White Drug #762  
Bradley Phillips  
Variance request for quality assurance  
**Variance is not needed. Quality assurance policies appear to meet MN 6800.3950 subp. 4**

Plymouth  
262827-009

Thrifty White Pharmacy  
George Badeaux  
policy review of ScriptPro CRS automation system  
**Your policies are approved and appear to meet MN Rule 6800.2600**

McGregor  
263648-001

Thrifty White Pharmacy #778  
Julie Moriak  
policy review of a TCGRx Beacon Automatic Vial Filler AVF-6 and AVF-70  
**Your policies are approved and appear to meet MN Rule 6800.2600**

Wadena  
263601-001

Walgreens #1109-2  
Jared Otte  
policy review of central service call center

Muscle Shoals, AL  
Pending

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends one year approval of the policies on condition that within 30 days call center policies are provided specific to Minnesota, the Board is notified as to which Minnesota pharmacies are utilizing the call center, there is no change in the type of service provided, and that the pharmacists providing service for Minnesota patients are licensed as pharmacists in Minnesota.

Walgreens #1261-2  
Fenicia Hutt  
policy review of central service call center

Orlando, FL  
Pending

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends one year approval of the policies on condition that within 30 days call center policies are provided specific to Minnesota, the Board is notified as to which Minnesota pharmacies are utilizing the call center, there is no change in the type of service provided, and that the pharmacists providing service for Minnesota patients are licensed as pharmacists in Minnesota

Walgreens Pharmacy 2661  
Jason Carrollo  
policy review of Yuyama Vial Filling automated counting machine

Apple Valley  
260853-004

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends that the **policies are not approved**. Resubmit policies and procedures to meet MN Rule 6800.2600

Walgreens Pharmacy #05048  
Kaveke Mualuko  
policy review of Yuyama cassettes

Hastings  
261748-005

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends that the **policies are not approved**. Resubmit policies and procedures to meet MN Rule 6800.2600

**New Variances:**

Davita Clinical Research  
Harry Alcorn, Jr.  
to allow a pharmacy technician to do cleaning, inventory, and temperature alarm tasks in the sterile compounding area while the pharmacist is not physically present within the sterile compounding area

Minneapolis  
262413-002

**Approved – Permanently**

**As long as** there is a pharmacist on duty and that the pharmacist-in-charge remains the same

Healthpartners Phcy - Customer Service Ctr  
Kathleen Pinedo

Bloomington  
264035-003

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process by more than one pharmacist which may include remote prescription order entry, verification, and/or certification from any approved licensed HealthPartners Clinic pharmacy

**Approved – One Year**

**On condition** that technicians are not allowed to perform prescription data entry or enter patient allergy information

Mercy Hospital Pharmacy  
Brent Kosel

Coon Rapids  
260411-005

to allow remote pharmacy after hours order review and entry of physician medication orders by Mercy Hospital Pharmacy for Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital, Rice County District One Hospital, and the new addition of Firstlight Health System when the hospital pharmacies are closed from normal business hours of operation

**Approved – Until 09/18/2014**

**Statistic conditions listed in the letter**

Firstlight Health System  
Brent Thompson

Mora  
204576-001

to allow remote pharmacy after hours order review and entry of physician medication orders by Mercy Hospital Pharmacy for Firstlight Health System when the hospital pharmacy is closed from normal business hours of operation

**Approved – Until 09/18/2014**

**Statistic conditions listed in the letter**

Sterling Drug #8  
Bryan Hagen

Worthington  
264425-001

to allow the utilization of a telepharmacy in Harmony

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends denial – need adequate policies and procedures that address the telepharmacy operation including unique identifier per MN Rule 6800.0100 subp. 17 and address proper staffing at the hub pharmacy (Worthington). (Adrian telepharmacy is from this hub)

Sterling #27  
Eric Slindee

Harmony  
264430-001

to allow exemptions from the Board's rules regarding having a pharmacist on duty at all times that the telepharmacy is open, no compounding equipment, and space

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends denial – need adequate policies and procedures that address the telepharmacy operation including unique identifier per MN Rule 6800.0100 subp. 17

Winona Health Services Clinic Pharmacy  
James Zaborowski

Winona  
263603-001

to allow the utilization of a telepharmacy at the Parkview Pharmacy @ WSU in Winona

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends denial

Parkview Pharmacy @WSU  
Daniel Sullivan

Winona  
263555-001

to allow exemptions from the Board's rules regarding having a pharmacist on duty at all times that the telepharmacy is open, no compounding equipment, and space

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends denial

**New Variances Deferred:**

Prime Therapeutics Specialty Pharmacy LLC  
Brian Demuth

Eagan  
263933-005

to allow the pharmacy to utilize a technician to pharmacist ratio of 3:1

**Denied**

**Extensions to Current Variances:**

Alix Rx  
Jami Schell

Eden Prairie  
263885-001

to allow the utilization of a DocuTrack management system within your pharmacy

**A variance is no longer needed**

**You must retain** the prescription in the original format in which it is received, you have policies in place to back up the database, and you must meet DEA regulations

Curt's Long Term Care Pharmacy  
Kelli Ireland

Albert Lea  
263632-001

to allow New Richland Drug to operate as a telepharmacy to Curt's Long Term Care Pharmacy in Albert Lea

**Approved – Until 10/29/2014**

**On condition** that you submit policies and procedures with documented staff training by 09/26/2014 and provide the Board with feedback on any errors, problems, or improvements that have occurred and provide the total number of prescriptions per month with the average number of prescriptions per day

New Richland Drug  
Kelli Ireland

New Richland  
262256-002

to allow New Richland Drug to operate as a telepharmacy to Curt's Long Term Care Pharmacy in Albert Lea

**Approved – Until 10/29/2014**

**On condition** that you submit policies and procedures with documented staff training by 09/26/2014 and provide the Board with feedback on any errors, problems, or improvements that have occurred and provide the total number of prescriptions per month with the average number of prescriptions per day

Essentia Health Baxter Pharmacy  
Dannia Vang

Baxter  
263792-001

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist at this pharmacy

**Approved – Until 06/11/2015**

**On condition** that you provide a date of when and how you will be compliant with your unique identifier to meet Minnesota Rule 6800.0100, Subp. 17

Essentia Health Duluth 1st St Phcy  
Richard Krikava

Duluth  
262693-001

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist at this pharmacy

**Approved – Until 06/11/2015**

**On condition** that you provide a date of when and how you will be compliant with your unique identifier to meet Minnesota Rule 6800.0100, Subp. 17

Essentia Health Duluth 3rd St Phcy  
Stephanie Anderson

Duluth  
261245-005

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist at this pharmacy

**Approved – Until 06/11/2015**

**On condition** that you provide a date of when and how you will be compliant with your unique identifier to meet Minnesota Rule 6800.0100, Subp. 17

Essentia Health Hermantown Phcy  
Michelle Howard

Hermantown  
261275-001

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist at this pharmacy

**Approved – Until 06/11/2015**

**On condition** that you provide a date of when and how you will be compliant with your unique identifier to meet Minnesota Rule 6800.0100, Subp. 17

Essentia Health Lakewalk Pharmacy  
Kirsten Stone

Duluth  
263667-001

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist at this pharmacy

**Approved – Until 06/11/2015**

**On condition** that you provide a date of when and how you will be compliant with your unique identifier to meet Minnesota Rule 6800.0100, Subp. 17

Essentia Health Two Harbors Pharmacy  
Roger McDannold

Two Harbors  
263666-002

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist at this pharmacy

**Approved – Until 06/11/2015**

**On condition** that you provide a date of when and how you will be compliant with your unique identifier to meet Minnesota Rule 6800.0100, Subp. 17

Hennepin County Medical Center  
Brian Howard

Minneapolis  
262931-006

to allow the utilization of the Tech-Check-Tech program in the pharmacy

**Approved – One Year**

**On condition** that you continue with bedside barcode

**Other conditions listed in the letter**

Specialized Treatment Service  
Alison Cook

Minneapolis  
262630-014

to allow the certification and verification processes to be done per the pharmacy's policies

**Approved – 6 Months**

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James Stage

Brooklyn Park  
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Brooklyn Park  
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St. Paul  
264232-002

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Specialized Treatment Services, Inc/Central  
Ronald Johnson

Minneapolis  
263376-009

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Sterling Long Term Care Pharmacy  
Charles Olson

Owatonna  
264431-001

to allow the utilization of the DocuTrack system in the pharmacy for storage of faxed transmissions as an electronic document

**A variance is no longer needed**

**You must retain** the prescription in the original format in which it is received, you have policies in place to back up the database, and you must meet DEA regulations

Thrifty White Drug #762  
Bradley Phillips

Plymouth  
262827-007

to allow the separation of the prescription dispensing process including verification, drug utilization review (DUR) and/or certification for new or refillable prescriptions, by more than one pharmacist on site

**Approved – One Year**

**On condition** that you provide a date of when and how you will be compliant with your unique identifier to meet Minnesota Rule 6800.0100, Subp. 17

Thrifty White Drug #762  
Bradley Phillips

Plymouth  
262827-010

to allow the utilization of a paperless, queue based workflow system

**Approved – One Year**

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**Extensions to Current Variances Deferred:**

None

**PIC Changes:**

None

**PIC Changes Deferred:**

None

**Deferred to the Board:**

Arrowhead Pharmacy  
Jill Kort

Grand Marais  
264139-001

to allow the pharmacy to utilize a telepharmacy located in Grand Portage

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends denial and that they resubmit the variance request when Grand Portage Tribal Council approves the telepharmacy

Arrowhead Pharmacy  
Jill Kort

Grand Marais  
264139-004

to allow the pharmacy to utilize a non-continuous space for entry, filling, and storage of prescription cassettes

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends denial due to inability to directly supervise technicians

Guidepoint Pharmacy  
Chelsey Carlson

Slayton  
264129-003

to allow the utilization of a telepharmacy in Fulda

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends one year approval, on condition that they schedule an on-site inspection and provide documented staff training

**Other conditions listed in the letter**

Guidepoint Pharmacy #107  
Jason Turner

Fulda  
264015-002

to allow exemptions from the Board's rules regarding having a pharmacist on duty at all times that the telepharmacy is open, no compounding equipment, and space

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends one year approval, on condition that they schedule an on-site inspection and provide documented staff training

**Other conditions listed in the letter**

Guidepoint Pharmacy #101  
Michael Schwartzwald

Brainerd  
261373-005

to allow the delivery of prescriptions to the nursing staff of Assisted Living Facilities (ALF) and/or home health care offices

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends denial because the policies and procedures are needed

Guidepoint Pharmacy #101

Brainerd

Michael Schwartzwald

261373-006

to allow patient specific prescriptions to be stored and used to dispense small quantities in order to eliminate errors for high risk patients

**Deferred to the Board**

The Committee recommends that a variance is no longer needed as long as they provide policies and procedures for dispensing accountability, inventory tracking, and that they comply with DEA regulations