

**GEORGIA BOARD OF PHARMACY**  
**Board Meeting**  
**2 Peachtree Street, NW, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor**  
**Atlanta, GA 30303**  
**May 8, 2019**  
**9:00 a.m.**

**The following Board members were present:**

Bill Prather, President  
Lisa Harris, Vice-President  
Vicki Arnold  
Carrie Ashbee  
Michael Brinson

**Staff present:**

Tanja Battle, Executive Director  
Eric Lacefield, Deputy Executive Director  
Dennis Troughton, Director, GDNA  
Michael Karnbach, Deputy Director, GDNA  
Max Changus, Assistant Attorney General  
Kimberly Emm, Attorney  
Brandi Howell, Business Support Analyst I

**Visitors:**

Stephen Snow  
Amanda Roberson  
Keri Conley, GHA  
Helen Sloat, Kaiser/LifePoint/Hemophilia of GA  
Hillary Thrower, Emory  
Rena Estep, Walgreens  
Tiffany Park, Walgreens  
John Lee, Publix  
Laura Ko, Shepherd  
Bill Maguire, Omnicell  
TJ Kaplan, JLM  
Beth Jarrett, Walmart  
Mr. Right Reverend Gregory Karl Davis  
Adam Schnepf, Walgreens  
John Rocchio, CVS Health  
Greg Reybold, GPhA  
Bethany Sherrer, MAG  
Sahil Desai  
Ryan Coulter

**Open Session**

President Prather established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Michael Brinson made a motion to approve the Public and Executive Session minutes from the April 17, 2019 meeting. Mike Faulk seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Report of Licenses Issued**

Vicki Arnold made a motion to ratify the list of licenses issued. Michael Brinson seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

President Prather commented that the Department of Public Health has a new Commissioner, Dr. Kathleen Toomey. President Prather requested the Board’s website be updated with the current Standing Order for Naloxone signed by Dr. Toomey. He requested GDNA update its website with this information as well.

**Petitions for Rule Waiver or Variance**

Michael Brinson made a motion to grant the rule waiver petition from Appling Healthcare System, PHRE006932. Lisa Harris seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Carrie Ashbee made a motion to deny the rule waiver petition from CVM Teaching Hospital, PHH007953. Michael Brinson seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Correspondence from Timothy R. Koch, Walmart**

The Board discussed this correspondence related to electronic invoices for legend drugs and the retention of such. Lisa Harris made a motion to direct staff to respond by stating this practice is not permissible at this juncture. Additionally, as information, the Board will be doing an analysis of the rules to determine where this matter may be addressed. Michael Brinson seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency – Dennis Troughton**

Director Troughton reported that GDNA has conducted 1774 inspections and received 318 complaints for FY2019.

Director Troughton reported that he attended the Advisory PDMP meeting recently.

**Attorney General’s Report – Max Changus**

No report.

**Executive Director’s Report – Tanja Battle**

**Continuing Education Report:** Report presented. Lisa Harris made a motion to ratify the below continuing education programs approved since the previous meeting. Vicki Arnold seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Date of Program	Hours	Sponsoring Group	Program Title	CE Code
04/13/19	7	Northside Hospital	Community COPD Symposium 2019	2019-0009
05/09/19	0.5	Kaiser Permanente	Opioid Tapering: A Clinical Case	2019-0010
05/09/19	1	Emory Healthcare - Emory Critical Care Center	A New Frontier in Critical Care - Saving the Injured Brain	2019-0011

Renewals: Ms. Battle reported that there are 28,000 licenses that need to renew as only 6,500 have renewed to date. She requested the Board and guests to encourage people to not wait until the last minute. Mr. Brinson inquired about the license status of “Active-Renewal Pending”. Ms. Battle responded that it means it is still an active license. President Prather stated he is unsure what else to do to pass the word to pharmacists to renew.

Georgia PDMP: Ms. Battle stated that the Department of Public Health has asked that she share an update with the board members regarding the Georgia Prescription Drug Monitoring Program. Ms. Battle asked the board members to read it from the perspective of “is this clear as written?” or “will this generate a lot of phone calls?” She asked the members if they felt it needed to be tweaked, or did they feel it was fine. Vice-President Harris stated that it mainly pertained to prescribers, not pharmacists. Additionally, she felt it was premature to put this out on the Board’s website as it would generate a lot of phone calls. Vice-

President Harris asked Mr. Rocchio if they have this at CVS. Mr. Rocchio responded that they are rolling that out in their systems and have been working with several states to integrate it. Director Troughton stated the reports have nothing to do with pharmacy. He stated none of that is going to pharmacies. President Prather stated that further down in the message in bold it says, “The information is for prescribers only”. Director Troughton responded by stating the integration message is for everyone; just the report section is for prescribers only. Ms. Ashbee suggested adding a line at the beginning that reads, “Not available to all Pharmacists at this time” for clarification. Ms. Battle indicated that she was sharing the information with the Board of Dentistry for consideration.

**Legal Services – Kimberly Emm**

No report.

Carrie Ashbee made a motion and Vicki Arnold seconded, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19(h)(2) and § 43-1-2(k) to deliberate and to receive information on applications, investigative reports and the Assistant Attorney General’s report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Vicki Arnold, Carrie Ashbee, Michael Brinson, Lisa Harris, and William Prather.

**Executive Session**

**Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency – Dennis Troughton**

- M.E.M.
- GDNA Case #B32758
- GDNA Case #A32669
- P.H.
- P.H.
- P.U.
- I.C.
- I.C.
- T.S.C.
- P.H.
- K.L.A.
- K.L.A.

**Appearance**

- S.A.D.

**Attorney General’s Report – Max Changus**

Mr. Changus presented the following consent order for acceptance:

- R.H.P.

Mr. Changus discussed the following cases:

- A.K.A.
- R.O.

**Executive Director’s Report – Tanja Battle**

- S.P.C.

**Legal Services – Kimberly Emm**

No report.

## **Appearance**

- R.W.C.

## **Cognizant's Report – Lisa Harris**

- GDNA Case # A32891
- GDNA Case # A32875
- GDNA Case # A32888
- GDNA Case # B32836
- GDNA Case # B32846
- GDNA Case # B32700
- GDNA Case # B32852
- GDNA Case # B32864
- GDNA Case # B32791
- GDNA Case # A32862
- GDNA Case # B32755/B32778
- GDNA Case # T32897
- PHAR190197
- G.L.Y.

## **Applications**

- T.A.W.
- R.J.B.
- S.D.J.
- J.R.T.
- H.L.L.
- R.G.
- K.T.R.
- E.B.
- A.R.R.
- D.P.S.
- C.Y.L.
- K.E.S.
- T.M.K.
- D.A.R.
- C.E.W.
- L.S.
- N.S.M.I.
- R.P.
- C.H.A.
- A.K.D.P.R.
- A.S.D.S.H.
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- M.C.M.V.C.

- O.S.
- B.T.P.
- C.M.C.A.C.T.R.M.C.
- T.R.M.C.
- A.S.O.C.
- T.R.E.P.
- P.P.I.
- H.S.T.P.
- A.H.G.
- A.H.G.
- A.H.G.
- A.H.G.
- U.C.P.
- M.D.I.
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- P.C.P.C.
- D.P.S.
- D.P.S.
- F.M.C.P.S.I.

**Correspondences/Requests**

- S.T.C.
- W.P.N.
- I.N.J.O.F.
- M.R.C.I.
- D.H.L.S.C.
- G.R.
- H.F.P.A.S.
- L.D.H.
- Y.H.T.
- T.K.C.
- U.G.H.

No votes were taken in Executive Session. President Prather declared the meeting back in Open Session.

## **Open Session**

Vicki Arnold made a motion for the Board to take the following actions:

### **Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency – Dennis Troughton**

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| • M.E.M.            | Pharmacist Intern                               | Update Provided |
| • GDNA Case #B32758 | Table pending receipt of additional information |                 |
| • GDNA Case #A32669 | Table pending receipt of additional information |                 |
| • P.H.              | Wholesaler Pharmacy                             | Tabled          |
| • P.H.              | Wholesaler Pharmacy                             | Tabled          |
| • P.U.              | Wholesaler Pharmacy                             | Tabled          |
| • I.C.              | Wholesaler Pharmacy                             | Tabled          |
| • I.C.              | Wholesaler Pharmacy                             | Tabled          |
| • T.S.C.            | Wholesaler Pharmacy                             | Tabled          |
| • P.H.              | Wholesaler Pharmacy                             | Tabled          |
| • K.L.A.            | Wholesaler Pharmacy                             | Tabled          |
| • K.L.A.            | Wholesaler Pharmacy                             | Tabled          |

### **Appearance**

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| • S.A.D. | Pharmacist Exam | Approved application |
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### **Attorney General's Report – Max Changus**

Mr. Changus presented the following consent order for acceptance:

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| • R.H.P. | Public Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt of the original. |
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Mr. Changus discussed the following cases:

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| • A.K.A. | Close case             |
| • R.O.   | Counterproposal denied |

### **Executive Director's Report – Tanja Battle**

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| • S.P.C. | Request regarding aftercare facility | The Board directed Mr. Brinson to review the information submitted and make a recommendation, which would be ratified at the Board's June meeting. |
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### **Legal Services – Kimberly Emm**

No report.

### **Appearance**

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| • R.W.C. | Pharmacist Intern | Refer to the Department of Law/Private Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt of the original. |
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## Cognizant's Report – Lisa Harris

- GDNA Case # A32891 Accept Private Interim Consent Order
- GDNA Case # A32875 Accept Voluntary Surrender
- GDNA Case # A32888 Accept Private Interim Consent Order
- GDNA Case # B32836 Close with no action
- GDNA Case # B32846 Close with a letter of concern
- GDNA Case # B32700 Close with no action
- GDNA Case # B32852 Close with a letter of concern
- GDNA Case # B32864 Table pending receipt of additional information
- GDNA Case # B32791 Close with a letter of concern
- GDNA Case # A32862 Refer to the Department of Law
- GDNA Case # B32755/  
B32778 Close with a letter of concern
- GDNA Case # T32897 Revoke Technician Registration
- PHAR190197 Close with a letter of concern
- G.L.Y. Tabled

## Applications

- T.A.W. Pharmacy Technician Denied registration
- Ryan J. Burke Pharmacy Technician Approved for registration
- Sonya D. Jackson Pharmacy Technician Approved for renewal
- Jillian R. Tejada Pharmacy Technician Approved for renewal
- Heather L. Lewis Pharmacy Technician Approved for renewal
- Richard Gover Pharmacy Technician Approved for renewal
- Kisha T. Ray Pharmacy Technician Approved for renewal
- Elizabeth Beaudoin Pharmacy Technician Approved for renewal
- A.R.R. Pharmacist Examination Approved to sit for the exam
- D.P.S. Pharmacist Examination Approved to sit for the exam
- C.Y.L. Pharmacist Reciprocity Approved to sit for the exam
- K.E.S. Pharmacist Reinstatement Approve application/deny request for waiver of renewal and reinstatement fees
  
- Tracy M. Kirkpatrick Pharmacist Renewal Approved for renewal
- D.A.R. Pharmacist Reinstatement Approved for reinstatement
- C.E.W. Correspondence No action
- L.S. Durable Medical Equipment Denied application
- N.S.M.I. Durable Medical Equipment Denied application
- R.P. RAMS Denied application
- C.H.A. Reverse Distributor Pharmacy Approved reinstatement with a letter stating the Board is not waiving its right to take disciplinary action should the results of the Board's investigation result in violations of the Georgia Pharmacy Practice Act and Board Rules.
  
- A&K Distributors PR Wholesaler Pharmacy Approved for renewal
- ASD Specialty Healthcare Wholesaler Pharmacy Approved for renewal
- Lincare Wholesaler Pharmacy Approved for renewal

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• MCM Vaccine Co.	Wholesaler Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Oncology Supply	Wholesaler Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Budd Terrace Pharmacy	Hospital Pharmacy	Approved application
• Cook Medical Center A Campus of Tift Reg Med Ctr	Hospital Pharmacy	Approved application
• Tift Regional Medical Ctr	Hospital Pharmacy	Approved application
• Anita Stewart Oncology Ctr	Clinic Pharmacy	Approved application
• Tift Regional Employee Pharmacy	Retail Pharmacy	Approved application
• Providence Pharmacy, Inc.	Retail Pharmacy	Approved application
• HST Pharmacy	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Accredo Health Group	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Accredo Health Group	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Accredo Health Group	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Accredo Health Group	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• University Compounding Pharmacy	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Marley Drug Inc.	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Carepoint Pharmacy	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Carepoint Pharmacy	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #562	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #570	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #581	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #583	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #187	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #188	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #189	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #366	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #631	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #743	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #1083	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #1084	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #1102	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #1175	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Costco Pharmacy #1295	Retail Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• ProCare Pharmacy Care	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Diamond Pharm Services	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Diamond Pharm Services	Wholesaler Pharmacy	Approved for renewal
• Fresenius Medical Care Pharmacy Services	Non-Resident Pharmacy	Approved for renewal



**Correspondences/Requests**

• S.T.C.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• W.P.N.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• I.N.J.O.F.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• M.R.C.I.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• D.H.L.S.C.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• G.R.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• H.F.P.A.S.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• L.D.H.	Request for 4 <sup>th</sup> attempt at NAPLEX	Denied request
• Y.H.T.	Request for 5 <sup>th</sup> attempt at MPJE	Approved request
• T.K.C.	Request to terminate PIC restriction	Approved request
• U.G.H.	Remote order entry	Approved pending receipt of additional information

Michael Brinson seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

The next meeting of the Georgia Board of Pharmacy is scheduled for Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., at the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy, 250 W. Green St., Athens, GA 30602.

Minutes recorded by Brandi Howell, Business Support Analyst I

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