

MINUTES
WYOMING STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY MEETING
April 18-19, 2007
Casper, WY

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTION TAKEN
<i>Meeting called to order by Board President, 9am, April 18th</i>		
Pharmacists license renewals, 2008	Eric Saul demonstrated the on-line renewal process for pharmacists for 2008 license renewal.	A demo program will be available for staff and board review by June.
Board Meeting Minutes	Minutes reviewed, no changes noted	Minutes approved as written
Planning Session-Chapter 9, Prospective DUR	Discussed proposed letters to be sent to potential attendees, dates, format, and the use of facilitators. Discussed the need to focus the meeting on particular topics and that several meetings may need to occur.	A one day workshop will be held in September 2007. Board members will work with executive director in May to finalize letters, format of meeting & agenda.
Rules being considered for 2007	<p>Reviewed/discussed first draft of proposed rules and took comments from the public. The following proposed changes were discussed:</p> <p><u>WY Pharmacy Act, Rules and Regulations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter, Section 4 – Foreign pharmacy graduate defined • Chapter 2, Section 5 – Rules addressing foreign pharmacy graduates licensure by exam • Chapter 2, Section 6 – Rules addressing foreign pharmacy graduates licensure by reciprocity • Chapter 2, Section 11 – Rules addressing labeling of unit of issue packaging • Chapter 2, Section 33 – Rules addressing centralized prescription processing. Questions concerning “real-time” data transmission were discussed and will be researched. • Chapter 2, Section 34 – Rules addressing automated storage and distribution systems to be accessed by patients and units to be accessed by professional staff • Chapter 3 – rules addressing foreign pharmacy graduates licensure as a pharmacy intern and practical experience requirements. • Chapter 13 – Rules addressing USP 797 guidelines for sterile compounding. Questions rose if 	Changes noted. Revised draft will be posted on board’s web site under “proposed rule-making” and will be included with the agenda under “calendar of events” for the June meeting.

board could reference USP 797 in rule.

- Chapter 16 – Rules adding human papillomavirus (HPV) and Tdap to list of immunizations that may be prescribed or administered by a pharmacist.

WY CSA, Rules and Regulations

- Chapter 6, Section 4 – Rules addressing security paper
- Chapter 8, Section 7 – Rules addressing the reporting of tramadol and carisoprodol to the PDMP. Questions rose as to the technical problems that may be encountered with pharmacies reporting non-controlled substances.

Education Requirements for Pharmacy Technicians

Kay McManus, Mary Walker, Rick Davis and Jim Carder met with Wendy Curran with the Governor's office to discuss the Governor's veto of rules adopted by the Board addressing education requirements. That meeting was discussed and comments were taken from the audience (pro/con) regarding educational requirements for applicants for licensure as a pharmacy technician. The board discussed if those rules that were vetoed should be revisited/revised and considered for rule-making this year.

The Board voted 3/0 to revisit Chapter 10, WY Pharmacy Act, Rules and Regulations that were vetoed by the Governor on 4/25/2006. Parties interested in the rules (pro/con) were asked to contact the executive director and a copy of the vetoed rules, stats on the number of pharmacy technician-in-training permits and pharmacy technician licenses issued by the board for the years 2002-2006 will be provided as well as any information the board has on how the community colleges will adapt to increasing demand for students. The executive director is to contact the North Dakota Board of Pharmacy to see if they have any statistics on dispensing errors involving technicians with college education vs. high school diploma. These rules will be incorporated with draft rules being prepared for rule-making in 2007 and will be discussed at the June meeting.

BFY 07-08 Budget

Executive Director presented status report of expenditures vs budget.

The Board to be updated at each Board meeting.

UW School of Pharmacy-Clinical Clerkship Review

Dean Vandell presented a report on P1-P3 program and Jeffrey Bernard, Clerkship Coordinator presented statistics and information regarding the P4 rotations.

The Board voted 3/0 to approve the P4 clinical clerkship program as presented for the 2008 graduating class. Review for the 2009 graduating class will be during the October 2007 board meeting.

WPAP Report

George Vandell, Executive Director, WPAP presented a summary for the January-March 2007 reporting period.

No action required

Wyoming Epilepsy Society

Richard Lesley, Executive Director of the Wyoming Epilepsy Society and David Wheeler, MD (neurologist from Casper)

The Executive Director will include an article in the June newsletter concerning possible issues when switching from

presented their concerns surrounding generic substitution of brand name anti-epileptic drugs by pharmacists and requested the board consider a rule change requiring the pharmacist to contact the physician prior to any generic substitution for this class of drugs. Discussed current law, lack of diagnosis on prescriptions and the use of anti-epileptic drugs for indications other than seizure disorders.

brand name to generic, even though the generic is "AB" rated to the brand. Pharmacists are encouraged to communicate with prescribing practitioners when one of the new anti-epileptic drugs go off patent and either the patient request the generic or the insurance company will only pay for the generic version. Dr. Wheeler will advise prescribing practitioners via the Wyoming Epilepsy Society's newsletter the need to write brand name medically necessary if they do not want the patient to be switched from brand to generic either with current brand name products where generics are available or for the newer products as they will be going off-patent within the next couple of years. Dr. Wheeler indicated that he will include the diagnosis on his prescriptions and will encourage his colleagues to do the same.

OTC Plan B

Discussed Kroger's policy on dual label Plan B whereby if a pharmacy staff member is opposed to the use of Plan B that any store employee over the age of 18 may make the sale. The Board discussed the need to have a pharmacist available to answer any questions regarding the use of Plan B as an OTC.

The Executive Director will send a letter to Kroger requiring that a pharmacist be available for questions that a patient may have regarding the use of Plan B as an OTC.

Executive Session

Board adjourned to executive session to discuss disciplinary matters and conduct an annual evaluation of the Executive Director

After discussion the board returned to public meeting to vote on disciplinary matters.

Jarvis James Judd, RPh
Wyoming Pharmacist License # 1680

The Board voted 3/0 to accept the Settlement Agreement, Stipulation and Order, Docket Number 06-33

Roger E. Maertens, RPh
Wyoming Pharmacist License

The Board voted 3/0 to accept the Settlement Agreement, Stipulation and Order, Docket Number 06-25

Native Plains Pharmacy-Winnebago,
NE

Reviewed/discussed a letter from Native Plains Pharmacy inquiring if they would have to obtain a non-resident pharmacy license to conduct business in Wyoming

Board confirmed a non-resident license would be required. Letter to be sent by Executive Director.

Date of next board meeting

June 5-7 in Cheyenne

*Meeting adjourned by Board President,
April 19th at approximately 12 noon*

Respectively Submitted:

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Approved: _____

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