



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission  
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**Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission Meeting  
May 2, 2024 – Minutes**

Convene: Kenneth Kenyon, Chair, called the meeting to order May 2, 2024, 9:07 A.M.

**Commission Members:**

Ken Kenyon, PharmD, BCPS, Chair  
Hawkins DeFrance, Nuclear Pharmacist, Vice Chair  
(arrived at 10:19 a.m.)  
Stephanie Bardin, PharmD  
Bonnie Bush, Public Member (arrived at 9:15 a.m.)  
Teri Ferreira, RPh  
Patrick Gallaher, BS, BPharm, MBA, MPH  
Judy Guenther, Public Member  
William Hayes, PharmD CCHP  
Matthew Ray, PharmD  
Craig Ritchie, RPh, JD  
Uyen Thorstensen, CPhT  
Ann Wolken, PharmD, RPh  
Huey Yu, PharmD

**Staff:**

Marlee O’Neill, Executive Director  
Lindsay Trant-Sinclair, Deputy Director  
Si Bui, Inspector Supervisor  
Christopher Gerard, AAG  
Julia Katz, Program Consultant  
Irina Tiginyanu, Pharmacy Technician Consultant  
Joshua Munroe, Legislative and Rules Consultant  
Taifa “Nomi” Peaks, Pharmacist Consultant  
Haleigh Mauldin, Program Consultant  
Amy L Robertson, Communications Coordinator  
and Program Support  
Desire Gudmundson, Administrative Support

**Commission Members Absent:**

Jerrie Allard, Public Member

**1. Call to Order Kenneth Kenyon, Chair**

1.1 Meeting Agenda Approval – May 2, 2024

**MOTION:** Craig Ritchie moved to approve the business meeting agenda for May 2, 2024. Teri Ferreira seconded. Motion carried, 11:0.

1.2 Meeting Minutes Approval – March 7, 2024

**MOTION:** Craig Ritchie moved to approve the March 7, 2024 business meeting minutes. Teri Ferreria seconded. Motion carried, 11:0.

## 2. Consent Agenda

### 2.1 Correspondence

- 2.1.1 National Precursor Log Exchange Monthly Dashboard
- 2.1.2 Pharmaceutical Firms Application Report

### 2.2 Ancillary Utilization Plans Approval

- 2.2.1 Colton Pharmacy
- 2.2.2 Hart Family Pharmacy
- 2.2.3 Panorama Pharmacy
- 2.2.4 Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories Health Clinic
- 2.2.5 Skyline Hospital Pharmacy
- 2.2.6 Unity Care Northwest
- 2.2.7 Valley Drug Co. – Multiple Locations
- 2.2.8 Virginia Mason Franciscan Health – Multiple Locations
- 2.2.9 CHAS
- 2.2.10 Hoagland Pharmacy

### 2.3 Pharmacy Technician Training Program Approval

- 2.3.1 BioCompound, LLC
- 2.3.2 Columbia Basin Health Association
- 2.3.3 Horizon Pharmacy
- 2.3.4 Lake Chelan Health
- 2.3.5 Nooksack Valley Drug
- 2.3.6 Pima Medical Institute
- 2.3.7 Astria Sunnyside Hospital Pharmacy
- 2.3.8 Tri-Cities Community Health

**MOTION:** Craig Ritchie moved to approve the consent agenda with the exception of items 2.2.6 Unity Care Northwest, 2.2.7 Valley Drug Co. – multiple locations, and 2.2.10 Hoagland Pharmacy. Teri Ferreria, seconded. Motion carried, 11:0.

- 2.4 Regular Agenda Items Pulled from 2.1, 2.2, or 2.3. The commission will discuss items removed from the consent agenda and placed on the regular agenda for separate discussion.

**MOTION:** Ann Wolken moved to approve the AUP for item 2.2.6 Unity Care Northwest contingent on the entity removing letter P for the technician AUP and letter K for the assistant AUP. William Hayes seconded. Motion carried, 11:0.

**MOTION:** Matthew Ray moved to approve item 2.2.7 Valley Drug Co – Multiple Locations contingent on the entity changing the language in A2. h to state nonjudgmental or demographic information. Stephanie Bardin seconded. Motion carried, 11:0.

**MOTION:** William Hayes moved to approve the AUP for item 2.2.10 Hoagland Pharmacy contingent upon the entity removing letter X from the compounding and retail AUP and removing letter V from the long-term care AUP. Ann Wolken seconded. Motion carried, 11:0.

### 3. Rulemaking for the WDFW Wildlife Capture Antibiotics

3.1 **PUBLIC HEARING** The commission held a public rule hearing on the rulemaking to propose amending WAC 246-945-507 to add certain intramammary antibiotics to the list of approved legend drugs in chapter 246-945 WAC in response to a petition request.

No comments were received in writing or during the public hearing.

3.2 Approval of Comment Responses and Authorization to file CR-103P (WDFW Wildlife Capture Antibiotics)

**MOTION:** Teri Ferreira moved to adopt WAC 246-945-507 without any edits and authorized staff to file a CR-103P. Stephanie Bardin seconded. Motion carried, 12:0.

### 4. Welcome Credentialing Staff

Kevin Robbins, pharmacy credentialing supervisor, introduced his team.

### 5. Rulemaking for Removing Fenfluramine from Schedule IV Substances List

5.1 **PUBLIC HEARING** The commission held a public rule hearing on the rulemaking to propose amending a section of rule, WAC 246-945-055 Schedule IV, to remove fenfluramine from the list of Schedule IV substances, in response to a petition request. No comments were received in writing or during the public hearing.

5.2 Approval of Comment Responses and Authorization to file CR-103P (Removing Fenfluramine from the List of Schedule IV Substances).

**MOTION:** Teri Ferreira moved to adopt WAC 246-945-055 and WAC 246-945-05001 without any edits and to authorize staff to file a CR-103p. Judy Guenther seconded. Motion carried, 12:0.

### 6. Rules Update

6.1 Rules Workshop: Pharmacy Interns

**MOTION:** Matthew Ray moved to have staff file the CR-102 with an edit to the rule language to reflect that pharmacy intern registrations will automatically have a three-renewal limit and there will be a process to request additional renewals for good cause. Ann Wolken seconded. Motion carried, 12:0.

## 7. Old Business

### 7.1 Updated Request for Consideration Form

**MOTION:** Teri Ferriera moved to approve Request for Consideration form a corresponding approval letter as presented. Judy Guenther seconded. Motion carried, 12:0.

### 7.2 Review Revised Ancillary Utilization Plans and Pharmacy Technician Administration Guidance Document

**MOTION:** Matthew Ray moved to approve the guidance document with the following edits. Change “pharmacists” to “pharmacy” in the heading “guidance to pharmacists submitting AUPs to allow pharmacy technicians or pharmacy technicians-in-training to administer medications or devices” and strike “or pharmacy intern” from the second sentence of #1 under this heading. Also, add a paragraph that makes it clear ancillary staff must work under the immediate supervision of a pharmacist and outlines the rules around immediate supervision. Ann Wolken seconded. Motion carried, 13:0.

**MOTION:** Hawkins DeFrance moved to retroactively approve AUP’s addressing medication administration by technicians to also include pharmacy technicians in training without having to submit to the Commission for re-approval. William Hayes seconded. Motion carried, 13:0.

## 8. Rules Updates

### 8.1 Review Revised Rules Tracker Spreadsheet

**MOTION:** Stephanie Bardin moved to adopt the tracker as presented with the established priorities. Matthew Ray seconded. Motion carried, 13:0.

### 8.2 Rules Workshop: Prescription Transfers

**MOTION:** Craig Ritchie moved to authorize staff to file the CR-102 with the addition of the term “provision of” in WAC 246-945-345(2) and WAC 246-945-346(2) such that both read “... not adversely impact the provision of medication therapy, whichever comes first” and to have staff draft an FAQ related to the electronic transfer of Schedule II-V controlled substance prescriptions. Hawkins DeFrance seconded. Motion carried, 13:0.

### 8.3 Rules Workshop: Medication Assistance

**MOTION:** Hawkins DeFrance moved to approve draft rule language as edited and authorize staff to file a CR-102. Teri Ferreira seconded. Motion carried, 13:0.

### 8.4 Emergency Rule (CR-103E) Refile Request: Medication Assistance

**MOTION:** Teri Ferriera moved to authorize refiling CR-103E due to an emergent need for the health and safety of the public. Stephanie Bardin seconded. Motion carried, 13:0.

## 8.5 CR-101 Authorization Request: ESSB 5271 – Uniform Facility Enforcement Framework Fining Authority Severity Matrix

**MOTION:** Teri Ferriera moved to authorize rulemaking to consider adding new WACs and amending current WACs as needed to establish the UFEF fine severity matrix but that the CR-101 not be filed before June 6, 2024. Hawkins DeFrance seconded. Motion carried, 13:0.

## 9. Strategic Plan Update

The commission reviewed the 2024-2025 Strategic Plan Implementation.

**MOTION:** Ann Wolken moved to approve Craig Ritchie, Bonnie Bush, William Hayes, and Patrick Gallaher as members of the Legislative Task Force. Huey Yu seconded. Motion carried, 13:0.

Ken Kenyon, chair of the commission, appointed Craig Ritchie the chair of the task force.

**MOTION:** William Hayes moved to approve Hawkins DeFrance, Craig Ritchie, and Judy Guenther as members of the orientation program for new commissioners task force. Matthew Ray seconded. Motion carried, 13:0.

Ken Kenyon, chair of the commission, appointed Hawkins DeFrance chair of the task force.

## 10. Open Forum

Boris Zhang, Washington State Pharmacy Association, asked a question about whether pharmacists can do N95 mask fit testing. Staff will research this question.

## 11. Summary of Meeting Action Items

### 1.1 Meeting Minutes Approval March 7, 2024

- Staff will post final minutes on the commission's website.

### 2. Consent Agenda

- Convey the decisions to the applicants and the Office of Customer Service

### 3.2 Rulemaking for the WDFW Wildlife Capture Antibiotics - Approval of Comment Responses and Auth to file CR-103P

- Staff will file CR-103P on WAC 246-945-507.

### 5.2 Rulemaking for Removing Fenfluramine from Schedule IV Substances List – Approval of Comment Responses and Authorization to file CR-103P

- Staff will file CR-103P on WACs 246-945-05001 and 246-945-055.

### 6.1 Rules Workshop Pharmacy Interns

- Staff will file a CR-102 with a hybrid version of the intern renewal limit rule language allowing for three renewals plus an extension process and also increasing the duration of the temporary practice permit from 90 days to 180 days.

### 7.1 Updated Request for Consideration Form

- Post updated request for consideration form and corresponding approval letter. Look into making a webform version as well.

### 7.2 Review Revised Ancillary Personnel Utilization Plans and Pharmacy Technician Administration Guidance Document

- Staff will file the post the updated guidance document to the commission's webpage and send a communication out via GovDelivery. We will include in that GovDelivery the motion captured here today on the retroactive application of previously approved AUPs related to technician medication administration to include technicians in training without having to resubmit their AUPs. Also update Sample AUP to reflect the changes to the administration guidance document.

### 8.1 Rules Updates - Review Revised Rules Tracker Spreadsheet

- Staff will present the next version of the tracker at the August business meeting.

### 8.2 Rules Workshop Prescription Transfer

- Staff will make the amendments discussed to the proposed WACs 246-945-345 and 246-945-346 and file the CR-102. Staff will also draft an FAQ to correspond to the implementation of the rule and bring it back to the commission for review at a future business meeting.

### 8.3 Rules Workshop Medication Assistance

- Staff will file the CR-102 on WACs 246-945-710 through 246-945-718 on medication assistance.

### 8.4 Emergency Rule (CR-103E) Refile Request: Medication Assistance

- Staff will refile the CR-103E.

### 8.5 CR-101 Authorization Request: ESSB 5271 – Uniform Facility Enforcement Framework Fining Authority Severity Matrix

- Staff will file CR-101 on establishing a fining severity matrix for the UFEF, not to begin before June 6.

## 9.2 Select members to serve on the Legislative Task Force

- Staff will schedule meetings for the Legislative Task Force to convene which will include William Hayes, Bonnie Bush, and Patrick Gallaher with Craig Ritchie as Chair.

## 9.3 Select members to serve on the Orientation Program for New Commissioners Task Force

- Staff will schedule meetings for the Orientation Program for New Commissioners Task Force to convene which will include Craig Ritchie and Judy Guenther with Hawkins DeFrance as Chair.

## 10. Open Forum

- Staff will research the question asked during open forum.

### **Business Meeting Adjourned**

Kenneth Kenyon, Chair, called the meeting adjourned at 1:29 P.M.