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Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission

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October 23, 2019
Business Meeting - Rule Rewrite
Highline Community College
2400 S 240th, Building 2
Des Moines WA

CONVENE

Chair, Tim Lynch called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

Commission Members:

Tim Lynch, PharmD, Chair
Teri Ferreira, RPh, Vice-Chair
Bonnie Bush, Public Member
Craig Ritchie, RPh
Jerrie Allard, Public Member
Judy Guenther, Public Member
Patrick Gallaher, RPh
Kenneth Kenyon, PharmD, BCPS
Matthew Ronayne, RPh
Michael Sieg, PharmD
Sepi Soleimanpour, RPh, MBA-HA
Steve Anderson, RPh
Uyen Thorstensen, CPhT

Staff:

Tracy West, Interim Executive Director
Chris Gerard, AAG
Caitlin Gates, Rules Consultant
Doreen Beebe, Program Manager
Bonita Campo, Office Manager
Marlee O'Neill, Director of Office Inspection and
Legal Services

Absent Commission Members:

Olgy Diaz, Public Member
Kat Wolf-Khachatourian, PharmD

1. October 23, 2019 Meeting Agenda Approval.

MOTION: Steve Anderson moved to approve the October 23, 2019 meeting agenda.
Uyen Thorstensen seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIES: 13-0.

2. Hospital Pharmacy Associated Clinics (HPAC) Emergency Rules chapter 246-873A WAC –
Reauthorization -- Consideration of permanent rule for HPACs are included in the rule
rewrite draft for approval.

MOTION: Craig Ritchie moved to reauthorize emergency rules, chapter 246-873 WAC
for Hospital Pharmacy Associated Clinics for an additional 120 days. Steve Anderson
seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIES: 13-0.

3. Rule Rewrite draft and public comments – The Commission discussed public comments received since the last meeting, and comments not reviewed previously or changes made after September 12, 2019, meeting. The four draft chapters were consolidated into one, chapter 246-945 WAC - Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission, with four separate parts. The parts are titled General Provisions, General Licensing, Professional Standards, and Operational Standards respectively.

The Commission completed its review of Parts 1 and 2 of the draft language before breaking for lunch at 12:05 p.m. and will resume with Professional Standards (Part 3).

Teri Ferreira, Vice Chair presided over the remainder of the meeting during the Chair's absence.

The discussion began with issues around setting limits for how many locations a pharmacist can serve as a responsible manager. The draft limited RPM to no more than three locations. The Commission removed the limits citing there is oversight, adherence and better awareness of RPMs with annual self-inspection, and removing the limit is consistent with the standard of care model.

The Commission ended the day discussing rules regarding refilling prescriptions and continuity of care rules and need to stakeholder with other boards and commissions. Caitlin Gates and Tracy West will work on the language and bring it back tomorrow.

4. Next Steps – The Commission will resume review of the Professional Standards (Part 3) at its meeting on October 24, 2019.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted by:
Doreen Beebe, Program Manager
Approval December 20, 2019*



Tim Lynch, Chair
Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission