

STATE BOARD NEWS -- MAY 1997 ISSUE
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OFFICIAL NOTICE:

LICENSE RENEWAL - PHARMACISTS AND INTERNS (1997-1998)

Applications for renewal of Ohio pharmacist and pharmacy intern licenses will be mailed during the first week of July 1997. If you do not receive your application for renewal by August 1, 1997, contact the Board office immediately at 614/466-4143.

Those pharmacists who must submit evidence of successfully completing 45 hours of continuing pharmacy education (4.5 CEUs) in order to renew their licenses this year (03-3-XXXXX) will receive a continuing pharmacy education report form with their application for renewal. Remember, two hours (0.2 CEU) of the continuing pharmacy education reported must be in Board-approved jurisprudence.

Applications that have been completed as required and returned with the renewal fee and any other required documentation prior to the August 15, 1997 due date will be processed upon receipt. The 1997-1998 license will be mailed well in advance of September 15, 1997, which is the date the current license lapses.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION OPENING

The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy is accepting applications for the position of Executive Director. In order to qualify for this position, the individual must have a current license to practice pharmacy in Ohio or be eligible for licensure by examination or reciprocity. The person holding this position is, by Ohio law, the chief administrative officer of the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy and is responsible for directing and carrying out its legal responsibilities as a state licensing, regulatory, and drug law enforcement agency.

The Ohio Pharmacy Board is an autonomous state agency having the responsibility for administering and enforcing the following state laws: Pharmacy Practice Act; Dangerous Drug Distribution Act; Controlled Substance Act; Pure Food and Drug Act; and the Criminal Code Chapter titled "Drug Crimes". Pursuant to these laws, the Ohio Pharmacy Board licenses pharmacists; pharmacy interns; dangerous drug distributors, both wholesale and terminal; and controlled substance wholesalers and manufacturers.

The Pharmacy Board is the single state agency in Ohio responsible for administering and enforcing all of the laws governing the legal distribution of drugs (prescription, over-the-counter, and injectables) for human use. These laws mandate that the Board investigate any violations of these laws and, upon probable cause, file a complaint in an appropriate court for prosecution. The Pharmacy Board has also been given a significant number of other provisions to carry out its responsibilities. These include the authority to inspect and to

obtain injunctions and/or nuisance actions. In addition, the Pharmacy Board is authorized to issue licenses and impose disciplinary actions such as denying renewals, suspending or revoking licenses, and imposing monetary penalties.

More detailed information regarding the Pharmacy Board, its responsibilities and operations may be obtained by accessing the Board's Home Page on the World Wide Web and reviewing the most current annual report to the Ohio Pharmacists Association.

Interested applicants should submit their current curriculum vitae to the President of the Board with a cover letter expressing their interest in the position **no later than December 31, 1997** (Ohio State Board of Pharmacy; 77 South High Street, 17th Floor; Columbus, OH 43266-0320). Once viable candidates have been identified through a review of the curriculum vitae, a formal application packet will be forwarded to these candidates for completion and submission to the Search Committee. The formal applications will be reviewed by the committee and interviews conducted by the Board beginning in January, 1998.

The Executive Director's position will become vacant on December 31, 1998 and it is the Board's intention to fill the position by July 1, 1998 in order to provide a six-month transition period.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

The disciplinary actions listed below include only those where the individual's license to practice has been suspended, revoked, or restricted, and does not include those actions where the individual's license to practice has been placed on probation or has been reinstated without restrictions, or a monetary penalty imposed by the board.

Anyone having a question regarding the license status of a particular practitioner, nurse, pharmacist, pharmacy intern, or dangerous drug distributor in Ohio should contact the licensing board which regulates that profession or activity, as follows:

State Dental Board (614/466-2580);
State Medical Board (614/466-3934);
State Nursing Board (614/466-3947);
State Optometry Board (614/466-5115);
State Pharmacy Board (614/466-4143);
State Veterinary Medical Board (614/644-5281);
Drug Enforcement Administration (216/522-3705).

STATE PHARMACY BOARD:

Order Effective 10/31/94:

Gary A. Gerst, R.Ph.; Columbus - License revoked.

Order Effective 07/01/96:

John Allen Dziech, R.Ph.; Piqua - License suspended three months.

Orders Effective 10/29/96:

David Allen Ansell, R.Ph.; Vermillion - License revoked.

William James Crane, R.Ph.; Loveland - License revoked.

Patricia Ann Flack, R.Ph.; Springfield - License suspended 30 days and, upon reinstatement, may not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor until 07/01/99.

Bryan C. Flournoy, R.Ph.; Toledo - May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor and may not serve as a responsible pharmacist for 3 years.

Larry Devonne Shaffer, R.Ph.; Uhrichsville - May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor; may not serve as a responsible pharmacist; and may not destroy, or may not assist in or witness the destruction of, controlled substances for 5 years effective 11/20/96.

Keith Michael Wire, R.Ph.; Granville - May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor; may not serve as a responsible pharmacist; and may not destroy, or may not assist in or witness the destruction of, controlled substances for 5 years effective 11/20/96.

Mark S. Zielinski, R.Ph.; Ellwood City, PA - License revoked.

Orders Effective 12/06/96:

David W. Baker, R.Ph.; Dayton - May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor; may not serve as a responsible pharmacist; and may not destroy, or may not assist in or witness the destruction of, controlled substances for 5 years effective 01/03/97.

Thomas Lawrence Bridge, R.Ph.; Olmsted Township - License suspended indefinitely, minimum five years, and may not be employed by or work in a facility licensed by the Board while suspended.

Cheryl Hutchins, R.Ph.; Cincinnati - License revoked.

Gregory Thomas Jacobs, R.Ph.; Covington, KY - May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor; may not serve as a responsible pharmacist; and may not destroy, or may not assist in or witness the destruction of, controlled substances for 5 years effective 01/10/97.

John Joseph Johnson, R.Ph.; Portsmouth - License revoked.

Order Effective 12/17/96:

David Scott Herrmann, R.Ph.; Middletown - May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor; may not serve as a responsible pharmacist; and may not destroy, or may not assist in or witness the destruction of, controlled substances for 2 years.

Orders Effective 01/31/97:

Emil Dontenville, R.Ph.; Strongsville - May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor; may not serve as a responsible pharmacist; and may not destroy, or may not assist in or witness the destruction of, controlled substances for 5 years effective 02/24/97.

Gary A. Polcar, R.Ph.; South Russell - License revoked.

Arthur E. Sell, R.Ph.; Sylvania - May not sell over-the-counter Schedule V controlled substances; may not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor; and may not serve as a responsible pharmacist for 5 years.

Orders Effective 03/13/97:

Orchard Drugs, T.D.; Toledo - May not serve as a training site for pharmacy interns for five years.

Hubert Burrus Pleasant, R.Ph.; Toledo - May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor, and may not serve as a responsible pharmacist for 2 years.

Thomas A. Szymczak, R.Ph.; Temperance, MI - License suspended one year and may not be employed by or work in a facility licensed by the Board while suspended. Upon reinstatement, may not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor, and may not serve as a responsible pharmacist for 5 years.

Robert Oberlin Urfer, R.Ph.; Toledo - May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor for 5 years.

Jack James Wilhelm, R.Ph.; Toledo - License suspended indefinitely, minimum two years, and may not be employed by or work in a facility licensed by the Board while suspended. May not train pharmacy interns or be a preceptor indefinitely. Upon reinstatement, may not serve as a responsible pharmacist for 5 years.

Summary Suspension of Licenses:

David Scott Blazy, R.Ph.; Maple Heights - Effective 12/03/96.

Phillip William Broerman, R.Ph.; Cleves - Effective 01/03/97.

Kent W. Schindler, R.Ph.; Mansfield - Effective 03/07/97.

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<http://www.state.oh.us/pharmacy/>

E-MAIL THE BOARD AT: bop_butler@ohio.gov

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