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## **Special Notice**

The Missouri Board of Pharmacy's *Newsletter* is considered one of the Board's official methods of notification to pharmacists and pharmacies. They have been and will continue to be used in hearings as proof of notification. It is important to read the *Newsletters* carefully and to retain them for future reference.

## **Important Reminder: Sterile Product Compounding Standards**

Any pharmacists or pharmacies that are involved in compounding products that are provided for administration or dispensing purposes need to pay close attention to the new standards enacted by the Board last year. The rule itself went into effect on July 30, 2003, but the new standards that will affect compounding processes are scheduled to go into effect on July 1, 2004. The new standards provide for sweeping changes within sterile product equipment, training, supplies, manipulations, and, in some cases, testing of products for efficacy and sterility. The effective date for the new standards was chosen to provide pharmacies time to come into compliance. See 4CSR 220-2.200(11) through (26) for the new sections of the rule. You may view this rule by visiting [www.pr.mo.gov](http://www.pr.mo.gov). Click on "regulated professions" then click on "pharmacists," then click on "rules and statutes," and then click on "rules." This will take you to the Secretary of State site where you then click on "Division 220." You will then have direct access to Board of Pharmacy rules. Please take the time to review and address the issues covered within the new regulatory standards and direct any questions you may have to your inspector. Enforcement of the new standards will begin on July 1 of this year.

## **Board Maintains New Web Site**

The Board of Pharmacy, through the Division of Professional Registration, has a new Web site address: [www.pr.mo.gov](http://www.pr.mo.gov). Once at this Division Web site you can then click the icon representing the "regulated professions." The next step is to find the notation for pharmacists and pharmacies and click at that location, which will take you to the Board of Pharmacy Web site.

Once you enter this site, you have a wide array of icons to choose from depending on what information you seek. The site provides many of the forms required to accomplish application for licensure as well as other forms for initiating changes in address, status, or other necessary communications with the Board. Access to inspector information, laws, Web links to other important sites, the technician disqualification list, along with many other informational choices, are there. In addition, the Board Web site provides two other services.

One allows the search of one or more licensees using the Division's licensee search engine. In addition, downloadable directories are available and can be obtained by following the instructions provided once you enter this port.

## **Board of Pharmacy Office Issues**

Most people have heard or read about the budget problems facing the state of Missouri. General revenue agencies have been hit hard by reductions in appropriations within which they must operate in order to pay employee salaries and cover equipment and expense funding. Agencies such as the Board of Pharmacy have not had to experience as many cutbacks due to funding of the agency outside of the general revenue system. Nevertheless, a decrease in staff within the Board office has created a situation where a reevaluation of the type and methods of service the office provides has to be done. Currently, many job duties and responsibilities are being reviewed. As a result, a number of changes over the coming months are expected to take place. In some cases, change has already occurred. The office will rely more on its Web site as well as e-mail and automated telephone systems to assist with the large number of phone calls that the office receives. In some cases, expected correspondence, legal work, or other expected communications may become significantly slower as we approach the workload issue. Keep this in mind when attempting to access Board of Pharmacy services in the future. Board staff will do everything possible to address issues on a timely basis. Your patience during this time of change is appreciated.

## **Pharmacy Policies and Procedures**

Depending on what services are provided by a pharmacy, it may require that a policy and procedure manual be maintained in order to be in compliance with Board minimum standards. While not every pharmacy is required to maintain a manual, a pharmacy involved in Class C: Long Term Care, Class E: Radio Pharmaceutical, Class F: Renal Dialysis, Class H: Sterile Product Compounding, Class J: Shared Service, or any activities involving automated systems or licensing as a drug distributor will require such a manual be maintained, utilized, and available to Board inspectors. State law will require that the policies and procedures that are required in writing by a pharmacy be followed in order to provide consistent services to the public. This method is used in order to allow a certain amount of flexibility between practice settings on how certain processes are completed. The intent is to provide for accountability of such procedures through reviews during an inspection that a pharmacy is following its own written standards.

## Address Changes

It is important that all pharmacists provide the Board office with any change in residence or employment address. The last address provided to the Board office will be the one to which mailings, which include license renewal notices, will be sent. Any mail returned to the Board due to an incorrect or outdated address is not mailed again until the office receives corrected information.

## Licensing Actions

### Pharmacists

**Matthew J. Carlisle**, #40974, St Charles, MO – January 6, 2004.

Probation for four (4) years from January 6, 2004. Misappropriated controlled substance for personal use. Section 338.055.2(5), (6), and (13), RSMo Supp. 2002.

**James M. Groves**, #29093, Kansas City, MO – January 8, 2004.

Probation for three (3) years from January 8, 2004. Sterile products compounded in unsanitary conditions during pharmacy remodeling. Section 338.055.2(6), RSMo Supp. 2001.

**Yu-Ping Lee**, #2001025516, Union, NJ – March 10, 2004.

Suspension for one (1) month from March 10, 2004, followed by Probation for five (5) years. Incorrectly mixed an IV solution and failed to follow hospital policies and procedures. Error resulted in death of patient. Section 338.055.2(13) and (15), RSMo Supp. 2002.

**Denise A. Machaj**, #44631, St Louis, MO – March 5, 2004.

Probation for three (3) years from March 5, 2004. Technician registrations not posted, prescriptions not filed, overfilled containers within pharmacy inventory, lack of controlled substance inventory, controlled substance shortages, failure to timely provide records upon request. Section 338.055.2(5), (6), and (15), RSMo Supp. 2002.

**Ronald D. Satterfield**, #41385, Liberty, MO – December 26, 2003.

Probation for two (2) years from December 26, 2003. Compounding in larger quantities than required for immediate dispensing by prescription, excess product stored in containers not labeled, lacked compounding log, CII compounding ingredients not under lock, failed to assure all controlled substance prescriptions were signed and dated by dispensing pharmacist. Section 338.055.2(5), (6), (13), and (15), RSMo Supp. 2001.

**Jodi A. Sheahan**, #2003016063, Wentzville, MO – March 30, 2004.

Censure effective March 30, 2004. License is censured for assisting a registered pharmacist in filling prescriptions on or

about October 1, 2002, and possibly again on or about October 29, 2002, without being licensed or registered in this state as either a registered pharmacy technician or as a registered pharmacist. Section 338.055.2(6), RSMo.

### Pharmacies

**Five Star Compounding Pharmacy**, #2004006778, Des Moines, IA – January 21, 2004.

Restricted license issued on probation for five (5) years, until January 20, 2009. Based on false application and disciplinary action in Iowa against pharmacist. Section 338.055.2(5), RSMo.

**The Medicine Shoppe**, #5049, Gladstone, MO – January 8, 2004.

Probation for three (3) years from January 8, 2004. Sterile products compounded in unsanitary conditions during pharmacy remodeling. Section 338.055.2(6), RSMo Supp. 2001.

**The Medicine Shoppe**, #2000153376, St Louis, MO – March 5, 2004.

Probation for two (2) years from March 5, 2004. Technician registrations not posted, prescriptions not filed, overfilled containers on the shelves, lack of controlled substance inventory, controlled substance shortages, failure to timely provide records upon request. Section 338.055.2(5), (6), and (15), RSMo Supp. 2002.

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