

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHARMACY
MINUTES OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, June 23, 2009
Second Floor
Training Room #4

Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300
Richmond, Virginia 23233

- CALL TO ORDER:** A meeting of an informal conference committee of the Board of Pharmacy was called to order at 10:05am.
- PRESIDING:** David C. Kozera, Committee Chairman
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bobby Ison
- STAFF PRESENT:** Elizabeth Scott Russell, Executive Director
Caroline D. Juran, Deputy Executive Director
- William J. Hancock
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- Mr. Hancock, Mr. Greg McCain, Mr. David Darrington, and Mr. George Massie Fulks were present to discuss the application, received April 16, 2009, for approval of an innovative (pilot) program wherein the final verification of certain Schedule VI drugs would be performed by a pharmacy technician using bar code technology at pharmacies operated by Omnicare. This allowance would necessitate waiving certain provisions of Board regulation 18VAC110-20-270 (C) which requires a pharmacist to perform the final verification process.
- Decision:** After consideration of the application and statements concerning the innovative (pilot) program, Mr. Kozera stated that the Committee approved the innovative (pilot) program for a period of three years from the date of implementation at Williamson's Pharmacy located at 3823 Gaskins Road, Richmond, VA contingent upon receiving additional information and upon other terms and conditions. Required additional information for submission included:
1. An on-site pharmacy technician training manual to include Technician Verification 2 (TV2) visual inspection of proper hour of administration stickers, expiration dates, and drug integrity;
 2. Policy and procedure for handling changes in orders prior to the dispensed drug leaving the pharmacy, i.e., pulling discontinued drugs; and,
 3. A revised policy for the final verification process specifically regarding the verification scanning process for orders with multiple cards/containers.
- Mr. Kozera stated that other possible terms and conditions may include:
1. Williamson's Pharmacy shall notify the Board of the

implementation date of the program;

2. Technician Verification 2 (TV2) performing the final check shall be a pharmacy technician registered with the Board;

3. Williamson's Pharmacy shall maintain or be capable of readily producing a record identifying the pharmacy technician (TV2) who performed the final verification of each dispensed drug and his supervising pharmacist;

4. Williamson's Pharmacy shall be subject to one random, unannounced inspection by the Board or its designated representative within 6 months following the implementation date. This inspection is independent from any routine inspection of the pharmacy. Williamson's Pharmacy shall be solely responsible for the payment of an inspection fee of \$150.00 to be paid to the Board within thirty days from the date of the statement of monies owed that will be mailed following the inspection;

5. Upon 6 months from the date of implementation with no known problems and an inspection report verifying compliance, Omnicare may request an expansion of the program to the other pharmacies identified in the application and owned by Omnicare;

6. All records for the innovative (pilot) program shall be maintained on the premises for at least two years and shall be available for review by the Board or its designated representative;

7. Errors resulting from the use of the bar code technology shall be immediately reported to the Board;

8. Any operational changes or modifications to the innovative (pilot) program shall be approved by the Board prior to initiation of the modification; and,

9. Reports of failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the waiver as set forth above shall constitute grounds for the rescission of the approval and an administrative proceeding shall be convened to determine whether the approval should be rescinded or modified.

ADJOURN:

With all business concluded, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:10pm.

Caroline D. Juran, Deputy Executive Director

David C. Kozera, Chairman

Date