

Year 2002 Registration Renewal (01-10-112)

The Louisiana Board of Pharmacy office will begin printing pharmacist license and pharmacy permit renewal applications on October 15. Any address changes submitted to our office on or after October 12 will not be reflected on your renewal applications. We will mail all pharmacist and pharmacy renewal applications on October 29.

If you do not receive your renewal application on or before November 15, it is **your** responsibility to obtain a renewal application. Applications have been provided to all pharmacists-in-charge (PIC) for placement in the Louisiana Pharmacy Law Book at page 336.9. We suggest you make a copy of the form and return the original form to the book for future use. A copy of the renewal form can also be obtained from our Web site at <a href="https://www.labp.com">www.labp.com</a>.

#### Pharmacist License Renewal

- → License expires December 31, 2001; pharmacists may not practice with expired licenses.
- → If you need a current renewal on or before January 1, 2002, we suggest you submit your completed application and \$75 fee to the Board office on or before December 1, 2001.
- → The renewal of an expired license will incur a 100% penalty, as well as a lapsed license reinstatement fee, resulting in a total charge of \$350.

### Pharmacy Permit Renewal

- → Permit expires December 31; pharmacies may not operate with expired permits.
- → Completed application and \$100 permit fee (and \$25 Controlled Dangerous Substances [CDS] permit fee, if needed) due in Board office on or before December 31, 2001.
- → After January 15, 2002, the renewal of an expired permit will incur a 50% penalty, resulting in a total charge of \$150 and \$37.50 for a CDS permit, if needed.

### Pharmacists, Technicians, and Interns (01-10-113)

If you are a pharmacist-in-charge (PIC), at all times you must ensure that all personnel you allow to function in your prescription department performing pharmacist functions are properly licensed, certified, registered, or in possession of a valid work permit (pharmacy technician trainee).

If you are a staff pharmacist or relief pharmacist, it is your responsibility to ensure that the employees assisting you in the prescription dispensing process are legally able to perform their duties during your shift. If an inspection or investigation occurs while you are on duty and unqualified persons are performing duties under your supervision, then you will be responsible in the Board's investigative report filed by the compliance officer.

### Do You Have an Unpaid Student Loan? (01-10-114)

Act 689 of the 1990 Louisiana Legislature requires all professional licensing boards to refuse to issue or renew licenses, registrations, or

certificates to individuals found to be in default of any outstanding student loan repayment agreements. The Board is required to submit names of all pharmacists, interns, and technicians to the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance for clearance. Only when that agency certifies an individual to be in compliance may the Board then issue the license, registration, or certificate.

# Are You Subject to an Order for Child Support? (01-10-115)

Act 612 of the 2001 Louisiana Legislature requires all professional licensing boards to suspend the license, registration, or certificate of individuals for nonpayment of child support. The Board is required to submit names of all pharmacists, interns, and technicians to the Office of Family Support in the Louisiana Department of Social Services for clearance. If that agency certifies the individual as noncompliant with an order for child support, the Board is required to suspend the license, registration, or certificate within 30 days. Once suspended, the licensee must obtain clearance from that agency prior to any application for reinstatement.

### Attention Hospital Pharmacies (01-10-116)

During its August 2000 meeting, the Board voted to disallow any exemptions to the regulation concerning minimum specifications for intravenous admixture preparation areas, specifically LAC 46:LIII.2541.E.2. The Board office notified all hospital pharmacies of this decision in September 2000. To provide time for hospitals to make the necessary structural changes, the Board authorized the delay of enforcement until January 1, 2002.

### Disciplinary Actions (01-10-117)

Although every effort is made to ensure that the information presented here is correct, you should call the Board office at 225/925-6496 to verify the accuracy of the listing prior to making any decision based on this information. During its August 16 administrative hearing, the Board took final action in the following matters:

Elizabeth Rose Boudreaux (Pharmacist License No. 16295), Voluntary Consent Agreement: License reprimanded, plus licensee shall earn an additional 15 hours of continuing education (CE), at least three of which shall be obtained through live contact sessions, all prior to December 31, 2001. Charges: (1) obtained a license by fraud or misrepresentation, (2) failed to furnish to the Board information legally when requested by the Board.

John Henry Dykes (Pharmacist License No. 16216), Voluntary Consent Agreement: License reprimanded, plus licensee shall earn an additional 15 hours of CE, at least three of which shall be obtained through live contact sessions, all prior to December 31, 2001. Charges: (1) obtained a license by fraud or misrepresentation, (2) failed to furnish to the Board information legally requested by the Board.

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Zeta Lyn Hayes (Pharmacist License No. 14935), Voluntary Consent Agreement: License reprimanded, plus licensee shall earn an additional 15 hours of CE, at least three of which shall be obtained through live contact sessions, all prior to December 31, 2001. Charges: (1) obtained a license by fraud or misrepresentation, (2) failed to furnish to the Board information legally requested by the Board.

Bruce Samuel Taylor (Pharmacist License No. 13364), Voluntary Consent Agreement: License suspended for two years; suspension stayed, then placed on probation for two years, ending July 14, 2003. Licensee shall earn an additional 10 hours of CE prior to December 31, 2001. License assessed administrative costs. Charges: (1) obtained a license by fraud or misrepresentation, (2) failed to furnish to the Board information legally requested by the Board.

Peter Joseph Willis, Jr (Pharmacist License No. 13146), Voluntary Consent Agreement: License suspended for two years; suspension stayed, then placed on probation for two years, ending August 15, 2003. Licensee shall earn an additional 25 hours of CE prior to December 31, 2001. License assessed \$1,000 plus administrative costs. Charges: (1) obtained a license by fraud or misrepresentation, (2) failed to furnish to the Board information legally requested by the Board.

Cynthia Ann Maxey (Pharmacist License No. 15613), Voluntary Consent Agreement: License suspended for five years; application for reinstatement prohibited for at least one year, provided that any reinstatement granted prior to March 26, 2005, shall be placed on probation, subject to certain terms. License assessed \$2,500 plus administrative and investigative costs. Charges: (1) practiced pharmacy in violation of pharmacy laws and regulations, (2) pharmacist-incharge failed to manage prescription department in compliance with all federal and state pharmacy laws and regulations, (3) pharmacist-incharge accountable for audits of controlled substances.

Charles Scott Weatherford (Pharmacist License No. 15275), Voluntary Consent Agreement: License suspended for 10 years; application for reinstatement prohibited for at least five years, provided that any reinstatement granted prior to November 6, 2010, shall be placed on probation, subject to certain terms. License assessed \$10,000 plus administrative and investigative costs. Charges: (1) practiced pharmacy in violation of pharmacy laws and regulations, (2) felony conviction in state court, (3) unlawful dispensation or distribution of Schedule IV controlled substance, (4) unlawful dispensation of legend drug, (5) pharmacist-in-charge accountable for audits of controlled substances.

Joyce Ann Boyd (Technician Certificate No. 1605), Voluntary Consent Agreement: Certificate revoked. Charges: (1) evaded local, state, or federal laws pertaining to practice of pharmacy, (2) un-

lawful possession with intent to distribute Schedule III controlled substance.

**Demetria M. Ketchens (Technician Certificate No. 1677),** Formal Hearing: Certificate revoked. **Charges**: (1) assisted in the practice of pharmacy in violation of pharmacy laws and regulations, (2) unlawful possession of Schedule III controlled substance.

Annetta Jean Hathorne (Technician Certificate No. 3064), Formal Hearing: Certificate revoked. Charges: (1) evaded local, state, or federal laws pertaining to practice of pharmacy, (2) unlawful possession with intent to distribute Schedule III controlled substance.

Shawne L. Karcher (Technician Certificate No. 4170), Voluntary Consent Agreement: Certificate revoked. Charges: (1) evaded local, state, or federal laws pertaining to practice of pharmacy, (2) unlawful possession with intent to distribute Schedule III controlled substance, (3) unlawful possession with intent to distribute Schedule IV controlled substance.

Gwenetta T. Long (Technician Trainee Permit No. 5287), Formal Re-Hearing: Certificate revoked. Charges: (1) obtained permit by fraud or misrepresentation, (2) failure to obtain high school diploma or General Education Development (GED) equivalency certificate.

In addition, the Board issued formal warnings to three pharmacists, two technicians, and one permit holder. The Board reprimanded three pharmacists and two permits. They also levied assessments against one permit. Regarding requests for reinstatement, the Board granted requests from three pharmacists; they also removed probation for one pharmacist. Regarding impaired practitioners, the Board accepted the voluntary surrender of five pharmacist licenses and one technician certificate, reinstated four pharmacists on probation, placed two pharmacists on probation, and denied a request for reinstatement from one pharmacist.

## Special Note (01-10-118)

The *Louisiana Board of Pharmacy News* is considered an official method of notification to pharmacists and certified pharmacy technicians licensed by the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy. **These** *Newsletters* **will be used in administrative hearings as proof of notification**. Please read them carefully and keep them for future reference.

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