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Pharmacist License, Pharmacy Permit, and CDS License Renewals for 2013 (12-10-416)

The renewal cycle for pharmacist licenses, pharmacy permits, and controlled dangerous substance (CDS) licenses for pharmacies will open on November 1, 2012. Just prior to that date, you should receive a reminder mailer from the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy office; the mailer will remind you of the three options you have to renew your credentials:

1. Visit the Board's Web site at www.pharmacy.la.gov and renew your credential online using a credit card;
2. Visit the same Web site to download and print an application form, then complete and mail to the Board office the application form with the appropriate fee, using a check or money order; or
3. Send a written request to the Board office (mail, fax, or e-mail) with your name, credential number, and mailing address requesting the Board to mail an application form to you.

Any address changes received at the Board's office after October 19, 2012, will not be reflected on your reminder mailer. In the event the postal service fails to deliver your reminder mailer by November 15, 2012, then it becomes your responsibility to obtain an application form or renew your credential online. Credentials renewed online will be mailed within one or two business days; credentials renewed with paper application forms will be mailed within two to four weeks, depending on the volume of paper applications received.

The online renewal module on the Board's Web site is timed to automatically activate on 12:01 AM on November 1, 2012, and to automatically deactivate at midnight on December 31, 2012. While the Board makes every effort to maintain the online convenience during the renewal cycle, the Board's service provider may experience weather-related or other unforeseen technical difficulties from time to time; it has already happened more than once in the few years the Board has been offering the online option. You have 60 days to renew your credential, and it is your choice as to when

to complete that duty. In the event you choose to wait until the last day and the Web site is not available, then you will be responsible for the consequences of your failure to renew your credential in a timely manner. The Board does not waive late fees in that situation. Why take a chance? Please do not wait until the last minute of the last day.

Pharmacist License Renewal

- ◆ Current pharmacist licenses expire at midnight on December 31, 2012. There is no grace period, and a pharmacist shall not practice with an expired license.
- ◆ Should you elect to use a paper application form, the Board suggests you submit your completed application form and \$100 fee to the Board office no later than December 1, 2012. Please do not forget to sign and date the application form and respond to all questions on the form. If the form is incomplete, or if there is no supporting documentation when required, then the application form will be returned to you as incomplete, resulting in a delay in the renewal of your license.
- ◆ If it is important for you to know when your paper application form is received at the Board office, then the Board suggests you use a mailing service with tracking options, eg, FedEx, UPS, or United States Postal Service (USPS). The Board anticipates the renewal of approximately 10,000 credentials. Due to the volume of mail during the renewal cycle, the Board may not be able to respond in a timely manner to requests for delivery confirmation.
- ◆ The fee for a timely renewal of a pharmacist license is \$100. The renewal of an expired license will incur a 50% penalty fee as well as a lapsed license reinstatement fee, resulting in a total charge of \$350.

Pharmacy Permit and CDS License Renewal

- ◆ Please remember the pharmacy permit and CDS license are now separate credentials and must be renewed on separate application forms. There is no change in the fee and you may write one check for one or more credentials, but the application forms are separate.

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AHRQ Toolset Can Assist Pharmacies Using e-Prescribing

A toolset released by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) can assist independent pharmacies with the implementation of e-prescribing and may also provide useful guidance to those pharmacies already using e-prescribing. The toolset for independent pharmacies consists of seven chapters that provide guidance on topics ranging from planning the implementation process and launching the system, to troubleshooting common problems and moving into more advanced pharmacy services, states AHRQ. Flyers for use in communicating the launch to patients, templates for communicating with providers about the launch, tools for assessing pharmacy workflow, and a spreadsheet to determine return-on-investment, among other tools, are also available to pharmacies. The toolset can be downloaded from the AHRQ Web site at http://healthit.ahrq.gov/portal/server.pt/community/health_it_tools_and_resources/919/a_toolset_for_e-prescribing_implementation_in_independent_pharmacies/30595.

FDA Database Provides Information on Pediatric Medications

A Food and Drug Administration (FDA) database provides information on pediatric medications, making it easier for both health care providers and caregivers to locate this information. The Pediatric Labeling Information Database is a one-stop resource, where providers and caregivers can search for information by the product's commercial or chemical name, or by the condition for which it was studied. The database was developed by FDA's Office of Pediatric Therapeutics (OPT), in collaboration with the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research. The OPT also provides a Safety Reporting page with information on products that have been tied to safety problems that specifically relate to children. Additional information and a link to the database is available in the Consumer Updates section of the FDA Web site at www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ucm305040.htm.

Inattentional Blindness: What Captures Your Attention?



This column was prepared by the Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP). ISMP is an independent nonprofit agency that analyzes medication errors, near misses, and potentially hazardous conditions as reported by pharmacists and other

practitioners. ISMP then makes appropriate contacts with companies and regulators, gathers expert opinion about prevention measures, and publishes its recommendations. To read about the risk reduction strategies that you can put into practice today, subscribe to ISMP Medication Safety Alert!® Community/Ambulatory Care Edition by visiting www.ismp.org. ISMP is a federally certified patient safety organization, providing legal protection and confidentiality for submitted patient safety data and error reports. ISMP is also an FDA MedWatch partner. Call 1-800/FAIL-SAF(E) to report medication errors to the ISMP Medication Errors Reporting Program or report online at www.ismp.org. ISMP address: 200 Lakeside Dr, Suite 200, Horsham, PA 19044. Phone: 215/947-7797. E-mail: ismpinfo@ismp.org.

A pharmacist enters a prescription for methotrexate daily into the pharmacy computer. A dose warning appears on the screen. The phar-

macist reads the warning, bypasses it, and dispenses the medication as entered. The patient receives an overdose of the medication and dies.

This error, and many more, have happened because the person performing the task fails to see what should have been plainly visible, and later, they cannot explain the lapse.¹ People involved in these errors have been labeled as careless and negligent. But these types of accidents are common – even with intelligent, vigilant, and attentive people. The cause is usually rooted in inattentional blindness.¹

Accidents happen when attention mistakenly filters away important information and the brain fills in the gaps with what is aptly referred to as a “grand illusion.”² Thus, in the example above, the brain of the pharmacist filtered out important information on the computer screen, and filled in the gaps with erroneous information that led him to believe he had read the warning appropriately.

Inattentional blindness is more likely to occur if part of your attention is diverted to secondary tasks, like answering the phone while entering prescriptions into the computer, or even thinking about your dinner plans while transcribing an order.

Low workload causes boredom and reduces the mental attention given to tasks, as does carrying out highly practiced tasks, such as counting out medication. We spend a large majority of our waking life functioning with the equivalent of an automatic pilot, with occasional conscious checks to ensure tasks are being carried out properly. This makes us particularly prone to inattentional blindness.

Our past experiences also teach us what is relevant. Errors occur when new or unusual circumstances happen in highly familiar situations. The pharmacist who did not notice important information on a computer warning had rarely encountered a clinically significant computer alert. The pharmacist had subconsciously learned that there was nothing important to see when reading alerts. Nothing had ever happened, so attention was automatically filtered away from the details to conserve mental processing.

Conspicuity is the degree to which an object or piece of information “jumps out” and captures your attention. The best way to achieve this effect is through use of contrast, color, or shape to call attention to differences in packaging or text.

It is difficult to reduce the risk of inattentional blindness, as it is an involuntary and unnoticed consequence of our adaptive ability to defend against information overload. Error-reduction strategies such as education, training, and rules are of little value. Instead, efforts should center on increasing conspicuity of critical information, and decreasing diversions of attention and secondary tasks when carrying out complex tasks.

1. Green M. “Inattentional blindness” and conspicuity. *Visual Expert*. 2004. Accessed at www.visualexpert.com/Resources/inattentional_blindness.html, March 1, 2012.
2. Angier N. Blind to change, even as it stares us in the face. *The New York Times*. April 1, 2008.

Know Your Dose Game Teaches Safe Acetaminophen Use

As part of the Know Your Dose campaign, the Acetaminophen Awareness Coalition has developed an interactive educational game to teach safe use of acetaminophen. The game not only answers some of the most common questions surrounding the safe use of acetaminophen, it gives an engaging face to the issue. The game, available on the

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Know Your Dose Web site at www.knowyourdose.org/game, invites consumers to follow three characters through a typical day of aches and pains while helping the characters learn how to take medicine that contains acetaminophen safely.

Contraception Products Sold Online With No Prescription Required, Endangering Public Health

Health care providers should help to educate patients about the risks of prescription contraceptive products marketed online as “no prescription” and “over-the-counter” products, pharmaceutical security researchers conclude. A study by these researchers found that Google searches returned results for prescription contraceptive products such as injections, oral contraceptives, and patches, as well as intrauterine devices (IUDs). All of these products were marketed as available without a prescription and researchers found that sellers provided links to YouTube videos with IUD instructions. The researchers also found that these products were being promoted on social media channels, including Facebook, Twitter, SlideShare, and Flickr. Researchers Bryan A. Liang, MD, JD, PhD, Tim K. Mackey, MAS, and Kimberly M. Lovett, MD, conclude that such online contraceptive sales represent patient safety risks and also suggest that policy makers should “employ legal strategies to address these systemic risks.” The study, “Suspect Online Sellers and Contraceptive Access,” is available in the May 25, 2012 issue of *Contraception*.

New FDA Drug Info Rounds Training Video

FDA Drug Info Rounds, a series of online training videos, provides important and timely drug information to practicing clinical and community pharmacists so they can help patients make better medication decisions. In the latest Drug Info Rounds video, available at www.fda.gov/Drugs/ResourcesForYou/HealthProfessionals/ucm313768.htm, pharmacists discuss the Accelerated Approval Program and how FDA helps make new, potentially lifesaving drugs available more quickly. Drug Info Rounds is developed with contributions from pharmacists in FDA’s Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Office of Communications, and Division of Drug Information.

FDA Resources Help Raise Awareness About Health Fraud Scams

To help raise consumer awareness about health fraud scams, FDA provides numerous educational resources in the Health Fraud Scams section of its Web site. Educating consumers on how to avoid such scams, FDA videos present information on various types of fraudulent products such as fake diet, sexual enhancement, and body building products. Consumers can also access information about specific products that are the subject of FDA warning letters, recalls, public notifications, and safety alerts. FDA news releases related to health fraud are also accessible through this section of the Web site.

NABP Accepting Award Nominations for 109th Annual Meeting

The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) is currently accepting nominations for the Association’s 2013 awards that will be presented during the 109th Annual Meeting, to be held May 18-21, 2013, at the Hyatt Regency St Louis at the Arch in St Louis, MO.

Nominations are currently being accepted for the following awards: 2013 Lester E. Hosto Distinguished Service Award (DSA), 2013 NABP Honorary President, 2013 Fred T. Mahaffey Award, and 2013 John F. Atkinson Service Award.

Nominations for these awards must be received at NABP Headquarters no later than December 31, 2012. New this year, individuals wanting to submit a nomination will be asked to fill out and complete a nomination form, which may be accessed by visiting the Meetings section on the NABP Web site at www.nabp.net/meetings. Criteria for award nominees will also be posted to the Web site. Nomination forms should be sent to the NABP Executive Director/Secretary Carmen A. Catizone at NABP Headquarters, 1600 Feehanville Dr, Mount Prospect, IL 60056. Directions for electronic submission will be available on the online form. The NABP Executive Committee will review the nominations and select the award recipients.

For more information, please contact the NABP Executive Office via e-mail at exec-office@nabp.net.

NABP Looking for Exam and Assessment Item Writers

NABP is seeking individuals to serve as item writers for the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination®, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination®, the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Equivalency Examination®, the Pharmacy Curriculum Outcomes Assessment®, and the Pharmacist Assessment for Remediation EvaluationSM. Pharmacists in all areas of practice, and faculty from schools and colleges of pharmacy are encouraged to apply. Interested individuals should e-mail, fax, or mail a letter of interest indicating their current practice/educational setting, specialties/certifications, and years of experience, along with a résumé or curriculum vitae:

- ◆ via e-mail at exec-office@nabp.net;
- ◆ via fax at 847/391-4502; or
- ◆ via mail to NABP Executive Director/Secretary Carmen A. Catizone at 1600 Feehanville Drive, Mount Prospect, IL 60056.

Please note, applications are accepted on a continuous basis and kept on file for a period of five years. For more information about item writing, contact NABP at custserv@nabp.net. Additional information may also be found in the August 2012 *NABP Newsletter*.



Pharmacists & Technicians:
Don't Miss Out on Valuable CPE Credit.
Set Up Your NABP e-Profile and Register for CPE Monitor Today!

CPE Monitor™ integration is underway. Soon all Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)-accredited providers will require you to submit your NABP e-Profile ID, assigned when you set up your NABP e-Profile, along with your date of birth (MMDD), in order to obtain continuing pharmacy education (CPE) credit for any ACPE-accredited activity. Many have already begun to do so.

Visit www.MyCPEmonitor.net to set up your e-Profile and register for CPE Monitor and avoid possible delays in your CPE reporting.

CPE Monitor is a national collaborative service from NABP, ACPE, and ACPE providers that will allow licensees to track their completed CPE credit electronically.

- ◆ Current pharmacy permits and CDS licenses expire at midnight on December 31, 2012. There is no grace period, and a pharmacy shall not operate with an expired permit or CDS license. Recent history reveals the usual fine for this violation is \$5,000.
- ◆ Should you elect to use paper application forms, the Board suggests you submit your completed application forms and fees to the Board office no later than December 1, 2012. Please do not forget to sign and date the application form and answer all the questions on the forms. If the forms are incomplete, or if there is no supporting documentation when required, then the application form(s) will be returned to you as incomplete, resulting in a delay in the renewal of your pharmacy permit and/or CDS license.
- ◆ If it is important for you to know when your paper application forms are received at the Board office, the Board suggests you use a mailing service with tracking options, eg, FedEx, UPS, and USPS. This year, the Board anticipates the renewal of approximately 10,000 credentials. Due to the volume of mail during the renewal cycle, the Board may not be able to respond in a timely manner to requests for delivery confirmation.
- ◆ The fee for the timely renewal of a pharmacy permit is \$150. The renewal of an expired pharmacy permit shall incur a 50% penalty fee as well as a lapsed permit reinstatement fee, resulting in a total charge of \$412.50.
- ◆ The fee for the timely renewal of a CDS license for a pharmacy is \$25. The renewal of an expired CDS license for a pharmacy shall incur a 50% penalty fee as well as a lapsed license reinstatement fee, resulting in a total charge of \$237.50.

Pharmacist Responsibility (12-10-417)

If you are the pharmacist-in-charge of a pharmacy, it is your responsibility to ensure that all personnel you allow to perform professional functions in your prescription department are properly credentialed with an active and current credential. If you are a staff pharmacist or relief pharmacist, it is your responsibility to ensure that all personnel you allow to assist you in the prescription department are properly credentialed with an active and current credential.

In the event a compliance officer discovers anyone performing professional functions without the necessary credentials, then all pharmacists present, as well as the pharmacist-in-charge, will be identified in the resulting investigative report filed by the compliance officer. Further, in the event of a formal inquiry by the Board, all of those pharmacists so identified will bear the risk of potential disciplinary action for aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of pharmacy.

State Health Department Requests Pharmacist and Technician Volunteers (12-10-418)

The Center for Community Preparedness in the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals Office of Public Health (DHH-OPH) is requesting your help as a volunteer. In the event of a public health emergency that requires mass pro-

phylaxis of citizens in any part of the state, the first persons to receive medical countermeasures will be first responders, which includes (but is not limited to) law enforcement, emergency medical services, firefighters, as well as those who support various sectors of critical infrastructure. The state of Louisiana maintains assets for immediate response activities, which are designated for prophylaxis of first responders. These medical countermeasures may be shipped in bulk containers and will require repackaging into individual antibiotic regimens. The oversight of repackaging activities is the responsibility of the DHH-OPH Pharmacy.

There is a current need to strengthen the existing repackaging response plans and increase the pool of professional volunteers dedicated to ensuring the timely preparation of individual antibiotic regimens for our first responders. It is for this purpose that DHH-OPH is soliciting for pharmacist and technician volunteers. DHH-OPH will assume all responsibility for providing volunteers with the information and training necessary for responding should the need ever arise. In the event you are interested, DHH-OPH requests pharmacists and technicians to enroll in the Louisiana Volunteers in Action Registry. Those professionals willing to support this effort will only be asked to serve within their respective DHH-OPH region should their services ever be required. To affiliate with the registry, interested pharmacists and technicians should visit the registry's Web site at www.lava.dhh.louisiana.gov. When you decide to complete the enrollment process, kindly reserve about 20 minutes and have your professional credentials and driver's license with you. In the event you have questions during the registration process, you may call 225/354-3517.

(Note: this article was written by DHH-OPH personnel; the Board is pleased to collaborate with that agency to distribute the article to all of its licensed pharmacists and certified technicians.)

Disciplinary Actions (12-10-419)

Although every effort is made to ensure this information is correct, you should contact the Board office at 225/925-6496 to verify the accuracy of any listing before making any decision based on this information.

During its May 2-3, 2012 Board meeting and administrative hearing, the Board took final action in the following matters:

Luke Joseph Bordelon (PTC.016375): Formal hearing. Revoked the registration effective May 3, 2012, and assessed a fine of \$250 plus investigative, administrative, and hearing costs; for three counts, including failure to submit to medical evaluation as directed by the Board.

Summer Crystal Berlanga (CPT.008436): Formal hearing. Revoked the certificate effective May 3, 2012, and assessed a fine of \$1,000 plus investigative, administrative, and hearing costs; for six counts, including diversion of controlled substances from her employer pharmacy.

Tommi Dawn Roberts (PTC.017211): Formal hearing. Suspended the registration effective May 3, 2012, and assessed a fine of \$250 plus investigative, administrative,

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and hearing costs; for three counts, including failure to submit to medical evaluation as directed by the Board.

Nastassajia Von-L Simon (CPT.007460): Formal hearing. Revoked the certificate effective May 3, 2012, and assessed a fine of \$500 plus investigative, administrative, and hearing costs; for eight counts, including failure to inform the Board of an arrest for diversion of controlled substances.

During its August 22, 2012 Board meeting, the Board took final action in the following matters:

Ramere Jovon Jackson (PTC.019182): Authorized issuance of registration on probation for three years, subject to certain terms enumerated in consent agreement; for failure to disclose prior history on application.

Aretha Fay Smith (Applicant for PTC): Denied application and refused to issue registration; for failure to disclose complete prior history on application.

Jamon Fabian Roberson, Sr (Applicant for PTC): Denied application and refused to issue registration; for failure to disclose complete prior history on application.

Wade Randall Veillon (PST.011709): Accepted voluntary surrender, resulting in suspension of the license for an indefinite period of time, effective May 5, 2012.

Open Door Pharmacy (PHY.006366): Assessed a fine of \$1,000 plus costs; for six counts, including failure to properly transfer inventory on permanent closure of pharmacy.

Tena Louise Parker (PST.0018076): Suspended license for one year and stayed the execution thereof, then placed license on probation for one year, effective July 1, 2012, subject to certain terms enumerated in the consent order, and further, assessed a fine of \$2,500 plus costs; for eight counts, including failure to properly transfer inventory on permanent closure of Open Door Pharmacy.

Community Pharmacy #1 (PHY.002908): Assessed a fine of \$1,000 plus costs; for six counts, including failure to properly transfer inventory on permanent closure of Open Door Pharmacy.

Mona Patrice Carter (PST.014953): Assessed a fine of \$500 plus costs; for eight counts, including failure to properly transfer inventory on permanent closure of Open Door Pharmacy, as well as failure to maintain accurate records of prescription drug transactions.

Kerry Michael Finney (PST.013535): Continued previously imposed suspension of the license for an indefinite period of time, and further, conditioned the acceptance of any future application for reinstatement of the license; for one count of probation violation.

Ashley Elizabeth Reynolds (PNT.046202): Suspended intern registration for three months and stayed execution thereof, then placed registration on probation for three months, effective July 1, 2012, and further, denied credit for previously earned hours of practical experience and imposed a requirement for additional hours of practical experience to qualify for pharmacist licensure; for six counts, including continuing to practice pharmacy after executing voluntary surrender of pharmacy technician

certificate in lieu of immediate prosecution for alleged theft of controlled substances.

Walgreen Louisiana Co., Inc dba Walgreens Pharmacy No. 05358 [Case 12-0059]: Assessed a fine of \$1,000 plus costs; for four counts, including permitting a technician candidate to practice with an expired registration for approximately one month.

Walgreen Louisiana Co., Inc dba Walgreens Pharmacy No. 05358 [Case 12-0096]: Assessed a fine of \$1,000 plus costs; for four counts, including permitting a technician candidate to practice with an expired registration for approximately six months.

Chandra Jordan Green (PIC.015286): Pharmacist-in-charge privilege suspended for six months with execution thereof stayed, then placed on probation for six months, effective July 1, 2012, subject to certain terms enumerated in the consent agreement; for six counts, including multiple failures to ensure valid credentials of pharmacy technician candidates while serving as the pharmacist-in-charge of Walgreens Pharmacy No. 05358.

Bocage Pharmacy Centre (PHY.006047 & CDS.039313): Suspended pharmacy permit and CDS license for two years and stayed execution thereof, then placed permit and CDS license on probation for two years, effective July 1, 2012, subject to certain terms enumerated in the consent agreement, and further, prohibited the dispensing of any prescriptions for controlled substances or drugs of concern written by any out-of-state prescriber, and further, assessed a fine of \$12,500 plus costs; for 14 counts, including failure to exercise corresponding responsibility while dispensing prescriptions for controlled substances.

Marla DeLouise Gibbens (PST.013867): Suspended license for two years and stayed execution thereof, then placed license on probation for two years, effective July 1, 2012, and further, assessed a fine of \$7,500 plus costs; for sixteen counts, including failure to exercise corresponding responsibility while dispensing prescriptions for controlled substances as owner and pharmacist-in-charge of Bocage Pharmacy Centre.

Michael Joseph Hardiman (CPT.009707): Revoked certificate, and further, prohibited any future application for the reinstatement of the certificate, effective July 12, 2012; for three counts, including failure to submit to medical evaluation as directed by the Board.

Rosalynn LeCompte Matherne (CPT.006246): Revoked certificate, and further, prohibited any future application for the reinstatement of the certificate, effective May 18, 2012; for five counts, including alleged admission of theft of controlled substances from employer pharmacy.

Edwards Healthcare Services, Inc dba GE Pharmacy Services: Assessed costs; for three counts, including failure to obtain new pharmacy permit following change of ownership of permit.

Emma Osiris Dolmo (PST.017273): Issued letter of reprimand, and further, assessed a fine of \$250 plus costs;

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for four counts, including multiple failures of audits of continuing education records.

Shawana Quinette LaCour (CPT.9463): Revoked certificate, and further, prohibited any future application for the reinstatement of the certificate, effective August 13, 2012; for five counts, including alleged admission of theft of controlled substances from employer pharmacy.

Michael Wayne Lindsey (PST.015624): Accepted voluntary surrender, resulting in suspension of the license for an indefinite period of time, effective June 19, 2012.

Sally Terese Moore (CPT.010149): Accepted voluntary surrender, resulting in suspension of the certificate for an indefinite period of time, effective July 3, 2012.

Mercaedes Kaira Kyser (PTC.018247): Accepted voluntary surrender, resulting in suspension of the registration for an indefinite period of time, effective July 18, 2012.

Chris Cole's Pharmacy (CDS.038692): Accepted voluntary surrender, resulting in suspension of the CDS license for an indefinite period of time, effective August 3, 2012.

Gwendolyn Muse Charles (PST.011860): Accepted voluntary surrender, resulting in suspension of the license for an indefinite period of time, effective August 6, 2012.

Jerry Temple Thornton (PST.009545): Accepted voluntary surrender, resulting in suspension of the license for an indefinite period of time, effective August 10, 2012.

William Lee Gibson, Jr (CDS.038176-MD): Suspended license for an indefinite period of time, pursuant to suspension of medical license on May 23, 2012.

Sudhir E. French (CDS.036087-MD): Suspended license for an indefinite period of time, pursuant to suspension of medical license on March 29, 2012.

David Scott Burkett (CDS.015538-MD): Suspended license for an indefinite period of time, pursuant to suspension of medical license on May 23, 2012.

Clay Marc Duos (CDS.009883-DDS): Suspended license for an indefinite period of time, pursuant to the voluntary surrender of his Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration on July 6, 2012.

Lynn Edward Foret (CDS.007512-MD): Suspended license for an indefinite period of time, pursuant to the voluntary surrender of his DEA registration on June 28, 2012.

Glenn David Steeb (CDS.023894-MD): Suspended license for an indefinite period of time, pursuant to the voluntary surrender of his medical license on June 25, 2012.

At the same meeting in August, the Board also issued letters of reprimand to three pharmacists and two technicians. In addition, they granted requests from two pharmacists and five technicians to reinstate expired certificates, conditioned upon the completion of certain requirements identified in their consent agreements.

Calendar Notes (12-10-420)

The next Board meeting and administrative hearing will be December 12-13, 2012, at the Board office. The office will be closed November 6, for Election Day, November 12, for Veterans Day, November 22, for Thanksgiving Day, and December 25, for Christmas Day.

Special Note (12-10-421)

The *Louisiana Board of Pharmacy Newsletter* is considered an official method of notification to pharmacies, pharmacists, pharmacy interns, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy technician candidates credentialed by the Board. **These Newsletters will be used in administrative hearings as proof of notification.** Please read them carefully. The Board encourages you to keep them in the back of the *Louisiana Pharmacy Law Book* for future reference.

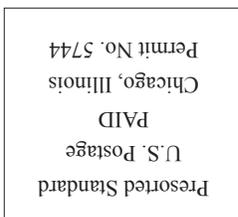
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