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BOARD OF PHARMACY

## BEFORE THE KANSAS BOARD OF PHARMACY

In The Matter Of	)	
	)	Case No. 14-085
MORRIS COUNTY HOSPITAL	)	
Registration No. 2-06245	)	
	)	

### **FINAL AGENCY ORDER**

On October 17, 2014, the Kansas Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") held a hearing on the allegation that Morris County Hospital ("MCH") operated its pharmacy without a Pharmacist-in-Charge for period in excess of 30 days and thereby subjecting its registration to discipline pursuant to K.A.R. 68-1-2a(b). MCH appeared by its representative Kristie Hayes, RN. Randall J. Forbes of Frieden, Unrein & Forbes, LLP appeared as the Board's Disciplinary Counsel. After considering the evidence admitted at the hearing, the Board enters the following final agency order.

#### I. FINDING OF FACT

- 1. The Board is the Kansas agency vested with the authority to carry out and enforce the provisions of the Kansas Pharmacy Act, K.S.A. 65-1626 *et seq.* ("Act"), including conducting hearings and proceedings to revoke, suspend, limit or otherwise discipline a Kansas registration to operate a pharmacy in the State of Kansas and imposing a civil penalty pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1658.
- 2. MCH is presently entitled to engage in the operation of a pharmacy at 600 N. Washington, Council Grove, Kansas by reason of the Board having issued it Kansas registration number 2-06245.

- 3. On August 16, 2013, Daniel Neil, R.Ph. ("Neil") was the designated Pharmacist-in Charge ("PIC") for MCH. On that date, Neil advised the CEO of MCH that he was resigning his position as PIC effective September 28, 2013.
- 4. On December 23, 2013, the Board received an application from MCH to change the designation of MCH's PIC to Constance Aldrich, R.Ph.
- 5. Between September 28, 2013 and December 23, 2013, a period of 86 days, MCH operated a pharmacy without a designated PIC.

## II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND FACT

- 1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1663(e)(1) the Board may take disciplinary action, against the registration of a pharmacy if the pharmacy has been operated in a manner that violates the provisions of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Board.
  - 2. Pursuant to 65-1637, each operating pharmacy must have a designated PIC.
- 3. Pursuant to K.A.R. 68-1-2a, a pharmacy that operates for more than 30 days without a designated PIC shall be deemed to have violated K.S.A. 65-1627(e).
- 4. MCH operated for a period of 56 days without a designated PIC in violation of the Act and the Board's regulations.

#### III. FINAL ORDER

Based upon the evidence introduced at the hearing held October 17, 2014 and the foregoing findings and conclusions, MCH is accessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,120.00.

Within fifteen (15) days after service of this Final Agency Order, either party may file a petition for reconsideration pursuant to K.S.A. 77-529.

Within the time limits established in K.S.A. 77-613, either party may seek judicial review of this Final Agency Order, pursuant to said statute. The agency officer designated to receive service of a petition for judicial review is:

Debra Billingsley Executive Director Kansas Board of Pharmacy 800 Jackson, Suite 1414 Topeka, KS 66612

IT IS SO ORDERED.

10/31/14

Date

DR. BOB HANEKE

President

Kansas Board of Pharmacy

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I did, on the	<u> 31                                    </u>	_ day of	octobe	20	, 2014,	deposit in
the United States mail, postage prepaid,	a co	py of the	foregoing	FINAL	AGENCY	ORDER,
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