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Alexandra Blasi, Executive Secretary

Laura Kelly, Governor

September 20, 2024

Walgreens Pharmacy #9424 12601 Pflumm Rd Overland Park KS 66213

RE: Case No. 22-015

To whom it may concern:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the final Stipulation and Consent Order approved by the Kansas Board of Pharmacy in the above-referenced matter. Please read the order in its entirety. In addition, a civil fine has been assessed totaling \$5,000.00. Please make all checks payable to the Kansas Board of Pharmacy and include your case number in the memo.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Board at <a href="mailto:Pharmacy.Compliance@ks.gov">Pharmacy.Compliance@ks.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Kansas Board of Pharmacy

Enclosure

cc: Gary Peters via email

## BEFORE THE KANSAS BOARD OF PHARMACY

In the Matter of	)	
	)	Case No. 22-015
WALGREENS PHARMACY #9424	)	
Registration No. 2-13095	)	

## STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the Kansas Board of Pharmacy ("Board") and Walgreens Pharmacy #9424, a licensed Kansas pharmacy located at 12601 Pflumm Rd., Overland Park, Kansas ("Respondent") as follows:

- 1. The Board is represented herein by its attorney, Brenda L. Head of Frieden & Forbes, LLP, 1414 SW Ashworth Place, Suite 201, Topeka, Kansas 66604. The Respondent is represented herein by its attorney, Gary A. Peters, R.Ph., Senior Counsel-Pharmacy Law Operations & Services, Walgreen Co., 104 Wilmot Rd.-MS#144-N, Deerfield, IL 60015.
- 2. The Board is the Kansas agency vested with the authority to carry out and enforce the provisions of the Kansas Pharmacy Law, K.S.A. 65-1626 et seq., ("Act") including conducting hearings and proceedings to revoke, suspend or otherwise discipline a Kansas registration to operate a pharmacy.
- 3. The Respondent was registered as a Kansas pharmacy by reason of the Board having issued Respondent Registration No. 2-13095.
- 4. The Board's Investigation Member has determined that there is probable cause to believe that Respondent Registration could be disciplined pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(e)(1).
- 5. Respondent hereby waives any further proof in this or any other proceeding before or initiated by the Board with respect to this matter, and upon motion duly made, seconded, and passed, the Board finds the following:

- A. On July 8, 2020, Respondent entered into a Stipulation and Consent Order in Case #20-012 in which Respondent was found to have violated K.A.R. 68-19-1 regarding Continuous Quality Improvement ("CQI") Program Requirements and K.A.R. 68-7-12b regarding Kansas Dispensing Incident Report requirements. The Order stated that future violations would be considered willful violations.
- B. Pharmacist Joshua Joo (Kansas License #1-109210) served as Respondent's Pharmacist-in-Charge ("PIC") from November 14, 2019 through November 22, 2020.
- C. Pharmacist Suzannah Emily Ingles-Nguyen (Kansas License #1-110622) served as Respondent's PIC from December 3, 2020 through March 25, 2021.
- D. Pharmacist Ashley Yae Sook Ko (Kansas License #1-100859) served as Respondent's PIC from March 26, 2021 through September 30, 2021.
- E. On December 1, 2021, an inspection of Respondent was conducted by a Board Inspector who determined that Respondent's Kansas Dispensing Incident Reports for the period of December 23, 2020 through July 2, 2021 were incomplete and consistently missing signatures, license and registration numbers, and the report date and were therefore in violation of the requirements of K.A.R. 68-7-12b.
- F. The Board Inspector further determined the Respondent's staff were unable to provide CQI report documentation for the first and second quarters of 2020 and the second and third quarters of 2021 and were therefore in violation of K.A.R. 68-19-1. In early 2024, Respondent did locate the CQI report documentation previously missing for the first and second quarters of 2020.
- 6. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and passed, the Board finds and concludes that the events described in paragraph 5 above constitute the operation of a Kansas pharmacy in a

manner that violates the Act and the Regulations of the Board and are therefore grounds for disciplinary action against the Respondent's Kansas Registration pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(e)(1).

7. The Board finds, concludes, and orders that the following disposition is just and appropriate under the circumstances:

A. ADMINISTRATIVE FINE. Respondent shall pay to the Board an administrative fine in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) within ten (10) days of the Board approving this Stipulation and Consent Order.

B. OTHER REQUIREMENTS. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that as a condition of this Stipulation and Consent Order it must, and the Board further orders the Respondent to:

i. Comply fully with this Stipulation and Consent Order; and

ii. In all applicable respects, comply fully with the Kansas Pharmacy Act, the Board's rules and regulations and all state and federal laws relating to pharmacies.

8. Respondent agrees that all information in the possession of the Board's Investigation Member, its staff, its investigators and or its attorney regarding the investigation which lead to this disciplinary action and all information discovered during the pendency of the disciplinary action may be disclosed to and considered by the Board as part of the presentation and consideration of the proposal of settlement in the form of this Stipulation and Consent Order and the Final Order provided for herein, with or without the presence of the Respondent or its attorney. In the event that this Stipulation and Consent Order and the Final Order provided for herein are not accepted and approved by the Board, the Respondent further waives any objection to the Board members' consideration of this Stipulation and Consent Order or the information mentioned in the preceding sentence and further agrees to waive any claim of due process violation or the right to

seek the disqualification of any Board member as a result of the Board member's consideration of said document and information.

- 9. The stipulations contained herein shall not become binding until this Stipulation and Consent Order is approved by the Board and the Consent Order provided for herein is entered by the Board. If the Board fails to approve this Stipulation and Consent Order, it shall be of no force or effect to either the Board of the Respondent. The Respondent acknowledges that the approval of the Board's Investigation Member or its attorney shall not constitute the approval of the Board or bind the Board to approve this Stipulation and Consent Order.
- 10. The Respondent agrees that this Stipulation and Consent Order is in conformance with Kansas and federal law and the Board has jurisdiction to enter into it and enter the Final Order provided for herein. The Respondent further agrees, for purposes of this matter, that the Kansas Pharmacy Act, K.S.A. 65-1626 et seq. is constitutional on its face and as applied in this case.
- 11. This Stipulation constitutes the entire agreement of the parties and may only be modified by a subsequent writing signed by them. The agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.
  - 12. The Respondent acknowledges that it has the following rights:
    - A. To have formal notice of charges served upon it;
    - B. To file a response to the charges;
- C. To have notice of and participate in a formal adjudicative hearing with the Board or its designee making specific findings of facts and conclusions of law based only upon evidence admitted at such hearing; and
- D. To take advantage of all applicable provisions of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act, K.S.A. 77-501 et seq. and the Kansas Judicial Review Act, K.S.A. 77-601 et seq.

The Respondent freely waives these rights and acknowledges that said waiver is made voluntarily and in consideration of the Board's limiting the disciplinary action taken against it to those provided for herein. The Respondent further waives the right to seek reconsideration or appeal or otherwise contest this Stipulation and Consent Order provided for herein.

- 13. The Respondent acknowledges that it enters into this Stipulation and Consent Order freely and voluntarily after consultation with counsel of its choosing. The Respondent further acknowledges that it has read this Stipulation and Consent Agency order in its entirety, that it understands its legal consequences and that it agrees that none of its terms are unconscionable, arbitrary or capricious.
- 14. Time is of the essence to this Stipulation and Consent Order. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that any violation of this Stipulation and Consent Order shall constitute a willful violation of a lawful Board order and grounds for further disciplinary action against it. The pendency of any disciplinary action arising out of an alleged violation of this Stipulation and Consent Order shall not affect the obligation of Respondent to comply with all terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Consent Order.
- 15. This Stipulation and Consent Order constitutes the entire and final agreement of the parties. In the event any provision of this Stipulation and Consent Order is deemed invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall be severed and the remaining provisions of this Stipulation and Consent Order shall be given full force and effect.
- 16. Upon approval and entry of the Final Order by the Board, this Stipulation and Consent Order shall be a public record in the custody of the Board.

17. This Stipulation and Consent Order shall become effective on the day it is approved, accepted, and made an order of the Board by way of signature of the Board's authorized representative.

18. The Respondent acknowledges that it has been advised by the Board that it would have the right within 15 days after service of the Final Order provided for herein to file a petition for reconsideration with the Board and the right within 30 days after service of the Final Order provided for herein to file a petition for judicial review in the District Court of Shawnee County, Kansas in accordance with the Kansas Judicial Review Act, K.S.A. 77-601 et seq. and to serve such a petition for judicial review on the Kansas Board of Pharmacy by serving Alexandra Blasi, JD, MBA, its Executive Secretary at 800 SW Jackson St., Suite 1414, Topeka, KS 66612. The Respondent hereby waives those rights.

ENTERED AND EFFECTIVE this 19th day of Signal 2024.

KANSAS BOARD OF PHARMACY

By:

ERICK AXCELL, PHARMD

Vice-President

## AGREED AND APPROVED BY:

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Attorney for Kansas Board of Pharmacy

9-19-2024

Date

Date

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER was served by depositing same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, this 20th day of September 2024 addressed to:

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