

IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE
NAVEED AFRIDI, Pharm Tech	*	STATE BOARD
Registration No.: T09087	*	OF
Respondent	*	PHARMACY
	*	Case No. PT-13-005/13-205
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**ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION**

Pursuant to Md. State Govt. Code Ann. §10-226 (c) (2) (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2012 Supp.), the State Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") hereby suspends the registration to practice as a Pharmacy Technician (Pharm Tech) in Maryland issued to Naveed Afridi, (the "Respondent"), under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. § 12-101, et seq., (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2012 Supp.). This Order is based on the following investigative findings, which the Board has reason to believe are true:

**BACKGROUND**

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was registered to practice as a Pharm Tech in Maryland. The Respondent was first registered on May 4, 2011. The Respondent's registration expires on June 30, 2014.
2. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was employed as a Pharm Tech at a National pharmacy chain located in Rockville, Maryland.
3. On August 21, 2012, a customer notified the pharmacy that his script for Oxycontin, 15 mg, 270 pills, was missing 198 pills. As a result, the pharmacy began an investigation which showed that, at the time that the prescriptions were filled; the

Respondent pulled the script from the staging area and walked toward the right front corner of the pharmacy facing out towards the sales floor. He returned the script to the staging area and retrieved a stapler from the pharmacy bench and replaced the script under the "S" section, where the prescriptions were placed for the customers whose last names began with an "S" were kept.

4. The Respondent was interviewed by the National pharmacy chain staff and admitted that he had done some "unethical things". He was suspended and, later, the Respondent called to inform his supervisor that he was resigning.

5. The Police were contacted. The value of the Oxycontin was later determined to be \$794.99.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing, the Board finds that the public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, pursuant to Md. St. Gov't. Code Ann. §10-226(c) (2) (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2012 Supp.).


### ORDER

Based on the foregoing, it is therefore this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2012, by a majority vote of a quorum of the State Board of Pharmacy, by authority granted by the Board by Md. St. Gov't. Code Ann. §10-226(c) (2) (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2012 Supp.), the registration held by the Respondent to practice as a Pharm Tech in Maryland, Registration No. PT-13-005/13-205, is hereby **SUMMARILY SUSPENDED**; and be it further

**ORDERED**, that upon the Board's receipt of a written request from the Respondent, a Show Cause Hearing shall be scheduled within a reasonable time of said request, at which the Respondent will be given an opportunity to be heard as to whether the Summary Suspension should be continued, regarding the Respondent's fitness to practice as a Pharm Tech and the danger to the public; and be it further

**ORDERED**, that the Respondent shall immediately turn over to the Board his wall certificate and wallet-sized registration to practice as a Pharm Tech issued by the Board; and be it further

**ORDERED**, that this document constitutes a final Order of the Board and is therefore a public document for purposes of public disclosure, as required by Md. State Gov't Code Ann. §10-617(h) (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2012 Supp.).

  
Laverne G. Naesea, Executive Director  
Board of Pharmacy

### **NOTICE OF HEARING**

A Show Cause hearing to determine whether the Summary Suspension shall be continued will be held before the Board at 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, 21215 following a written request by the Respondent for same.