

IN THE MATTER OF
JASON ANTHONY GALLO
PHARMACY TECHNICIAN
Respondent

REGISTRATION NO.: T27255

BEFORE THE MARYLAND
STATE BOARD OF
PHARMACY

Case Number: 26-330

ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

The Maryland State Board of Pharmacy (the “Board”) hereby **SUMMARILY SUSPENDS** the registration of **Jason Anthony Gallo** (the “Respondent”), Registration Number: **T27255**, to practice as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the “Act”), Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. (“Health. Occ.”) §§ 12-101 *et seq.* (2021 Repl. Vol. & 2025 Supp.).

The Board takes such action pursuant to its authority under Md. Code Ann., State Gov’t § 10-226(c) (2021 Repl. Vol. & 2025 Supp.) and Code of Maryland Regulations (“COMAR”) 10.34.01.12F, concluding that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action.

INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS

Based on information received by, and made known to the Board, and the investigatory information obtained by, received by, and made known to and available to the Board, including the instances described below, the Board has reason to believe that the following facts are true:1

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was registered to practice as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland. The Respondent was originally issued a registration to practice as a pharmacy technician in Maryland on or about August 18, 2022. The Respondent's registration expires on or about March 31, 2028.

2. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was employed as pharmacy technician by a retail pharmacy (the "Pharmacy")² with locations throughout Maryland.

3. On or about March 30, 2026, the Board received an Initial Notification of Controlled Substance Potentially Significant Loss from the Pharmacy stating that an oxycodone prescription was missing from the pharmacy prescription waiting bin.³

4. On or about April 15, 2026, Pharmacy staff submitted a DEA Form 106 Report of Theft or Loss of Controlled Substances (the "DEA Form 106"). The DEA Form 106 identified the type of theft or loss as "Employee Theft (or Suspected)" and listed the theft or loss as 25 tablets of Oxycodone HCL (IR) 5mg.⁴

5. On or about March 24, 2026, Pharmacy staff discovered that a missing waiting bin prescription for 25 tablets of Oxycodone HCL (IR) 5mg that was scheduled to return to locate stock could not be located. A subsequent investigation was conducted by Pharmacy staff into the missing prescription.

¹ The statements regarding the Respondent's conduct are only intended to provide the Respondent with notice of the basis for the Board's action. They are not intended as, and do not necessarily represent a complete description of the evidence, either documentary or testimonial, to be offered against the Respondent in this matter.

² For confidentiality and privacy purposes, the names of individuals and the pharmacy involved in this case are not disclosed in this document. Upon request, the Administrative Prosecutor will provide the information to the Respondent.

³ The waiting bin is a storage area in the pharmacy used to hold filled prescriptions that are waiting to be picked up by patients.

⁴ Oxycodone HCL (IR) Oxycodone is a Schedule II controlled substance and is used to treat pain.

6. As part of its investigation, Pharmacy staff reviewed CCTV video footage at the Pharmacy location where the Respondent had worked between February 25, 2026, and March 24, 2026.

7. CCTV footage from the pharmacy area shows that, on March 3, 2026, during a patient's pick-up transaction, the Respondent selected two prescriptions from the waiting bin and presented both to the patient. CCTV footage next shows that the patient accepted one prescription and declined the other. CCTV footage then shows that the Respondent placing the prescription that was declined by the patient into the Return to Stock ("RTS") bin.

8. CCTV footage later shows the Respondent put his head down on the counter and removed the prescription from the RTS bin and placed it back in the waiting bin. The Respondent was then seen removing the prescription for 25 tablets of Oxycodone HCL (IR) 5mg from the waiting bin, opening the bag holding the prescription, and placing the medication in his pocket.

9. On or about April 8, 2026, the Respondent was interviewed by Pharmacy staff. During the interview, the Respondent provided a written statement admitting that on March 3, 2026, he removed a prescription for 25 tablets of Oxycodone HCL (IR) 5mg from a waiting bin, opened the bag holding of the medication, and placed the medication in his pocket.

10. The Respondent also admitted that he stole the medication because he was experiencing financial hardship. The Respondent stated that he sold the medication to a friend for \$1000.00.

11. Following his interview, the Respondent was fired by Pharmacy staff.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Investigative Findings, the Board concludes that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action in this case, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., State Gov't. § 10-226(c)(2) (2021 Repl. Vol. & 2025 Supp.) and COMAR 10.34.01.12F.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Investigative Findings and Conclusions of Law, it is this 13th day of August 2026, by a majority of the quorum of the Board, hereby

ORDERED that the registration issued to the Respondent to practice as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland under registration number: **T27255** is hereby **SUMMARILY SUSPENDED**; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent is prohibited from practicing as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent has the opportunity to appear before the Board for a post-deprivation show cause hearing for a determination of whether the Summary Suspension should be continued. A request for a post-deprivation show cause hearing

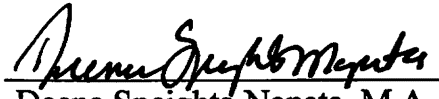
must be made in writing to the Board and be made **WITHIN THIRTY (30) CALENDAR DAYS** of the date of this Order; and it is further

ORDERED that if the Respondent fails to request a post-deprivation show cause hearing in writing in a timely manner, or if the Respondent requests a post-deprivation show cause hearing but fails to appear before the Board when the hearing is scheduled, the Respondent's registration shall remain **SUSPENDED**; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent shall immediately return all registrations (wall and wallet sized) to the Board; and it is further

ORDERED that this Order for Summary Suspension is a **PUBLIC** document, as defined in Md. Code Ann., General Provision §§ 4-101 *et seq.* & § 4-333 (2019 Rep. Vol. & 2025 Supp.).

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Date


Deena Speights-Napata, M.A.
Executive Director
Maryland Board of Pharmacy