

IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE
AUBREY J. HOLLAND,	*	MARYLAND BOARD
PHARMACY TECHNICIAN	*	OF PHARMACY
RESPONDENT	*	
REGISTRATION No.: T21747	*	CASE No: 20-294

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ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Pursuant to Md. Code Ann., State Govt. §§ 10-226 (c)(2) (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2019 Supp.), the Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") hereby summarily suspends the registration of **Aubrey J. Holland**, Pharmacy Technician, Registration Number: **T21747** (the "Respondent"), to practice as a pharmacy technician under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the "Act"), Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. ("Health. Occ.") §§12-101 *et seq.* (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2019 Supp.). This Order is based on the following investigative findings which the Board has reason to believe are true:¹

INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was registered to practice as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland.

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. The Respondent was originally issued a registration to practice as a pharmacy technician in Maryland on or about November 8, 2018. The Respondent's registration expires on February 28, 2022.

3. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was employed at a retail pharmacy chain (the "Pharmacy") located in Maryland.²

4. On or about January 20, 2020, the Board received notification from Pharmacy staff that the Respondent diverted medication and other items from her place of employment.

5. According to video surveillance at the Pharmacy, the Respondent was observed improperly ringing up items and accepting partial payment.

6. The videotape showed one of the Respondent's coworkers, (the "Employee"), a Pharmacy Technician, placing numerous items onto the pharmacy counter. The Respondent was observed scanning only one of the multiple items that the Employee had placed on the pharmacy counter. The Respondent was viewed placing the items that the Employee had placed on the pharmacy counter into multiple bags and giving the bags to the Employee.

7. On or about December 23, 2019, after reviewing the videotape, the Respondent was interviewed by Pharmacy staff. During the interview the Respondent provided a written statement admitting that she gave merchandise to the Employee without receiving payment.

² The Pharmacy and the employee are not identified in this document for privacy reasons, but this information will be provided to the Respondent upon request.

8. The Pharmacy staff investigation revealed that the Employee gave the Respondent five dollars (\$5) for the merchandise. The cost of the merchandise that the Employee received was over three hundred dollars (\$300).

9. The Respondent further admitted that she had taken approximately fourteen (14) bottles of Biktarvy³ from the Pharmacy between November 2019 and December 2019.

10. The Respondent also admitted to giving medication to at least five (5) customers without requiring payment. The medication that the Respondent gave to the customers included: Amlodipine⁴, Vitamin D, and Biktarvy.

11. The Respondent was subsequently terminated by Pharmacy staff.

12. On or about February 4, 2020, the Respondent was charged in in the District Court for Prince George's County, Maryland with one (1) count of Theft over \$100 and under \$1,500 and one (1) count of Conspiracy to Commit Theft over \$100 and under \$1,500, in violation of Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §7-104.

13. On or about February 12, 2020, in the District Court for Prince George's County, Maryland, the Respondent was charged with one (1) count of Theft over \$1,500 and under \$25,000; one (1) count of Prescription Obtained by Fraud; and one (1) count of Obtain Drugs by Fraud, in violation of Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §7-104.

³ Biktarvy contains a combination of antiviral medicines that prevent human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) from multiplying in your body. It is not a controlled dangerous substance but it does require a valid prescription.

⁴ Amlodipine is a calcium channel blocker that dilates (widens) blood vessels and improves blood flow. Amlodipine is used to treat chest pain (angina), high blood pressure (hypertension), and other conditions caused by coronary artery disease. It is not a controlled dangerous substance, but it does require a valid prescription.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Investigative Findings, the Board concludes as a matter of law that the public health, safety, and welfare imperatively requires emergency action in this case, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., State Gov't. § 10-226(c)(2) (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2019 Supp).

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Investigative Findings and Conclusions of Law, it is this 6th day of May 2020, 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: T21747 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 shall immediately return all copies of her registration to the Board; and it is further

ORDERED that this **ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION** is a **PUBLIC DOCUMENT** pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. §§ 4-101 *et seq.* (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2019 Supp.).

5-6-2020
Date



Deena Speights-Napata, MA
for
Kevin M Morgan, Pharm.D.
President
Maryland Board of Pharmacy