

IN THE MATTER OF CHRISTINA M. BUHRMAN, R.Ph. LICENSE NO. 21221	* * * * * * * *	BEFORE THE MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY Case No. 17-087
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CONSENT ORDER

Background

The Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") received notice from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy ("NABP") that Christina M. Buhrman, R.Ph., License Number 21221 (the "Respondent"), had been disciplined by the Florida Board of Pharmacy as a result of various sterile compounding violations cited at Amex Pharmacy, in which she practices as the prescription department manager.

In lieu of instituting formal proceedings against the Respondent, in accordance with the Maryland Pharmacy Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 12-101 *et seq.*, the Board and Respondent, have agreed to resolve this matter as set forth in this Consent Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about December 11, 2012, the Respondent was issued a license to practice pharmacy in Maryland. The Respondent's license is active and will expire on December 31, 2017.
2. The Respondent is designated by Amex Pharmacy, a non-resident pharmacy permit holder, as the Maryland licensed pharmacist on staff, in accordance with Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. Art. § 12-403(e).
3. The Respondent supervises the compounding and dispensing of, among other

- things, patient-specific sterile compounded products, including Avastin.
4. On or about December 28, 2016, the Florida Board of Pharmacy issued a Final Order Approving Settlement Agreement against the Respondent's Florida license. The Final Order was based on various sterile compounding violations cited at Amex Pharmacy during inspections by the FDA and Florida Department of Health in January 2016.
 5. The Florida Board of Pharmacy imposed against the Respondent a civil penalty of \$5,000, probation for one year, and mandated completion of continuing education course entitled "Essential Elements of Compounding Sterile Preparations".
 6. On March 9, 2017, the Maryland Board received notification from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy of the disciplinary action of Respondent's license in Florida.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that Christina M. Buhrman, R.Ph., License Number 21221, is subject to discipline in accordance with Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 12-313(b)(24).

ORDER

Based upon an affirmative vote of the Board under the authority of Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. Art. § 12-313, it this 6th day of September, 2017, hereby,

ORDERED that Respondent, License No. 21221, shall be placed on PROBATION for one (1) year, effective December 28, 2016; and be it further,

ORDERED that Respondent, shall, as a designated Maryland pharmacist for a non-resident pharmacy permit holder, ensure compliance with all laws and regulations governing the operation of a non-resident pharmacy licensed in the State of Maryland, to

include Maryland laws governing compounding and dispensing of compounded sterile preparations; and be it further,

ORDERED that Respondent shall fully comply with all terms and conditions imposed by the Florida Board of Pharmacy in its Final Order, dated December 28, 2016; and be it further,

ORDERED that in the event that Respondent violates any of the terms above, the Board, after notice and an opportunity for a hearing, and a determination of a violation, may impose any further disciplinary sanction it deems appropriate, including probation, suspension and revocation, said violation being proven by a preponderance of the evidence; and be it further,

ORDERED that this is a formal order and as such is a public document pursuant to Md. Code Ann., General Provisions Article § 4-333.

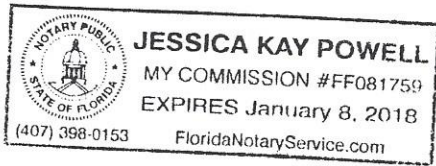
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Deena Speights-Napata,
Executive Director for:

Mitra Gavvani, Pharm.D.
Board President

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY/CITY OF Brevard / Melbourne

I hereby certify that on this 31st day of August, 2017, before me, a Notary Public of the State of Florida and County/City aforesaid, personally appeared CHRISTINA M. BUHRMAN, and made an oath in due form that the foregoing Consent was her voluntary act and deed.



Jessica Kay Powell
Notary Public
My commission expires: 1-8-2018

CONSENT

1. By signing this Consent, Respondent submits to the foregoing Consent Order as a resolution of this matter and agrees to be bound by its terms and conditions.

2. Respondent acknowledges the validity of this Consent Order as if it were made after a hearing in which Respondent would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, and to all other substantial procedural protections provided by law.

3. Respondent acknowledges that, by entering into this Consent Order, Respondent is waiving his right to appeal any adverse ruling of the Board that might have followed such an evidentiary hearing.

4. Respondent acknowledges the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to enter and enforce this Consent Order.

5. Respondent signs this Consent Order freely and voluntarily, after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. Respondent fully understands the language, meaning, and effect of this Consent Order.

8-31-17
Date

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