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Draft Meeting Minutes

December 27, 2018

Telephonic Conference Call

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Jeenu Phillip, BPharm
Chair

Jeffrey J. Mesaros, PharmD, JD
Vice-Chair

C. Erica White
Executive Director

Thursday, December 27, 2018

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chair, Dr. Jeffrey Mesaros, at 10:07 a.m.

Roll Call:

Those present during the meeting included the following:

Board Members:

Jeffrey J. Mesaros, PharmD, JD, Vice- Chair (Orlando)
David Wright, BPharm (Ft. Pierce)
David Bisailon, Consumer Member (Bradenton)
Mark Mikhael, PharmD (Orlando)
Blanca R. Rivera, MPharm, MBA (Miami)

Board Counsel:

Lawrence Harris, Assistant Attorney General

Board Staff:

C. Erica White, MBA, JD - Executive Director
Eric Pottschmidt, MBA – Program Operations Administrator

TAB 1. Request to Extend Pharmacy Technician Renewal

Ms. White explained that the purpose of the telephonic meeting was to consider a request received by CVS Health to discuss extending the renewal deadline for Pharmacy Technicians beyond December 31, 2018, for licensees located in counties which were affected by Hurricane Michael, who are experiencing hardship in renewal process. Ms. White further explained that although the process of renewal is a Department of Health function, the Department wanted to ensure that the Board of Pharmacy took a vote on this matter. The Department's recommendation was to extend the renewal deadline for Pharmacy Technicians for sixty (60) days or until March 1, 2019 at Midnight.

Mr. Bisailon stated that "kudos" should be given to CVS for bringing up the idea to extend the renewal deadline. He asked if there are other groups which should be considered outside of the specific list of individuals provided for in the CVS Health request. Ms. White stated the Department's recommendation is to extend the renewal deadline for all pharmacy technicians in the state, not just the individuals provided for in CVS's request.

Mr. Wright asked if the Department's recommendation was only to extend for technicians in the Hurricane Michael affected areas, or if the extension would apply for all licenses? Ms. White explained that the extension would be applicable to all pharmacy technician licensees in all counties of the state, and it would be easier, from a technical standpoint

TAB 2. Public Comment

No Discussion

TAB 8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Bisailon. Motion Seconded by Ms. Rivera. Meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.