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November 24, 2015

Paul Edwards  
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State Board of Pharmacy  
431 West Plumb Lane  
Reno, Nevada 89509-3766

Dear Mr. Edwards:

It is with much appreciation that I thank you for taking time out of your schedule to testify before the Legislative Committee on Health Care (*Nevada Revised Statutes* 439B.200) at its recent meeting on Monday, November 16, 2015.

Your testimony providing an overview of how pharmacy has changed in Nevada, and the key issues of which the Committee should be aware, was important for the Legislative Committee on Health Care to hear as it moves forward addressing key health care issues in Nevada during the 2015-2016 Interim. The Committee will likely consider many of these issues in greater detail at future meetings. Thank you, also, for contacting Dr. Andy Eisen regarding the Prescription Monitoring Programs (PMP). It is important the PMP work as expected if we are to rely on it as an effective tool.

Sincerely,

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Assemblyman James Oscarson  
Chair, Legislative Committee on Health Care

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Helen Leveille  
51 Owens Place  
Wellington, NV 89444

State Board of Pharmacy  
431 West Plumb Lane  
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Attn: Paul Edwards

Thank you for your dedication and the extra efforts you put forth to acquire the proper Diabetes medication for me from CVS Caremark Mail Order Pharmacy. Within days after I began the correct medicine all side affects caused by the generic version of the insulin completely disappeared.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter we sent to the Governor concerning your assistance and job dedication.

Sincerely:  
*Helen Leveille*  
Helen Leveille



William & Helen Leveille  
51 Owens Place  
Wellington, NV 89444  
November 25, 2015

Brian Sandoval  
Nevada State Governor  
101 N. Carson Street  
Carson City, Nevada

Dear Governor Sandoval:

This letter is to advise you of the excellent service and diligent efforts of two State Employees in helping me secure urgently needed medication. The State Employees who certainly deserve special recognition and thanks are:

**Jan Brizee**, with the State of Nevada, Office of Consumer Health Assistance,  
Governor's Consumer Health Advocate

**Paul Edwards**, with the State of Nevada, State Board of Pharmacy

For the past seven or eight years, I have suffered from diabetes, had been using Humulin 70/30 to control my blood sugar levels. Since January 1, 2015, CVS Caremark, the mail order pharmacy used by our health insurance provider, GEHS, refused to fill our Doctor's order for Humulin 70/30 and would only provide the generic insulin, Novolin 70/30. Their reason for not filling the Doctor's order and providing only this inferior medication was it was more cost effective to CVS Caremark. I used the inferior insulin for a period of about 6 months and each day I took the medication the recognized side effects of severe joint and muscle pain and loss of energy increased. The severity of the side effects progressed to a point that I could not stand for any length of time, could not get out of a chair without assistance, and could not sleep at night because of pain.

Finally in mid-November CVS Caremark filled the Doctor's prescription for Humulin 70/30 and within days of beginning the correct medication, my joint pain has totally diminished and I have resumed an active life style. This was all made possible by the diligent efforts of the two aforementioned State of Nevada employees and their close working relationship with our Doctor. My sincere thanks to Ms. Brizee and Mr. Edwards and their respective Agencies.

Sincerely,  
  
Helen Leveille

Personal Note: The Leveille's were your neighbors when you were growing up on Shadow in Sparks. Congratulations on your most successful political career.

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## Office of the Governor

December 16, 2015

Paul Edwards  
Nevada State Board of Pharmacy  
431 West Plumb Lane  
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Dear Mr. Edwards:

As Governor of the State of Nevada, I commend you for the assistance you provided to constituent Helen Leveille regarding her medication. Ms. Leveille contacted my office to share her story and the help you were able to provide.

I extend my heartfelt thanks for a job well done. It is always a pleasure to hear when someone goes above and beyond the call of duty and it fills me with pride to know that the citizens of Nevada can have faith in those representing our state.

I hope that you will continue to strive for the best in all your future endeavors. I thank you for your commitment and for a job well done.

Sincere regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian Sandoval".

BRIAN SANDOVAL  
Governor

*Thank you so much. Well done —*

## LARRY L. PINSON

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**From:** Colvin, Cora <CColvin@medline.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 07, 2015 10:03 AM  
**To:** LARRY L. PINSON  
**Subject:** Compliments on Candy

Hi Mr. Pinson,

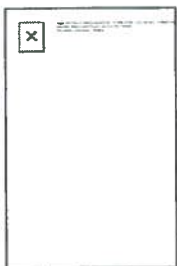
I just wanted to take a moment to provide some feedback on your employee **Candy**. I have had the pleasure of working with her on our wholesaler and MDEG licensure efforts for several years. She is always very helpful, very knowledgeable, and willing to help and assist licensees when she is able.

Being a national distributor of drugs and devices, I have worked with every licensing agency in the US. It is always refreshing to work with individuals who take pride in the service they provide. I am sure Candy handles a myriad of issues regarding licensure on a daily basis, yet she continues to provide a high level of customer support and service amongst all other issues.

Again, I just wanted to take a moment to say thank you for having such a great staff and offer a genuine great job to Candy for her hard work over the years.

Sincerely,

Cora



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## NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

### ACTIVITIES REPORT

#### OCTOBER 14-15, 2015 BOARD MEETING HELD IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

This report is prepared and presented to keep interested legislators and others abreast of the activities of the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy. Following is a summary of the October 2015 Board meeting.

#### Licensing Activity:

- 9 licenses were granted for Out-of-State MDEG (Medical Devices, Equipment and Gases) companies.
- 6 licenses were granted for Nevada MDEG companies.
- 18 licenses were granted for Out-of-State pharmacies, pending receipt of a favorable inspection for all compounding pharmacies.
- 15 licenses were granted for Out-of-State wholesalers & one was denied.
- 10 licenses were granted for Nevada pharmacies.
- 1 license was granted for a reciprocal pharmacist after satisfactorily answering past discipline questions.

#### Disciplinary Actions:

- Pharmaceutical technician SG was revoked for diversion of controlled substances for personal use from pharmacy CV.
- Pharmacist HA was fined \$1250; ordered a letter of reprimand and 4 hours of CE for dispensing amitriptyline 10X stronger than prescribed. Pharmacy SO was fined \$495 admin fees.
- Pharmacist DC was fined \$200; ordered a letter of reprimand and 1CE for allowing an unlicensed intern pharmacist to work in his pharmacy. AP was fined \$600 plus admin fees and ordered to develop P&P to prevent this from reoccurring.
- Pharmacist LL was fined \$1750; ordered a letter of reprimand and 2 hours of CE for failing to counsel causing patient misunderstanding and harm. Pharmacist EV was ordered the same and pharmacy VP was fined \$2500 and ordered a computer "fix" for failing to comply with a previous Board order that allowed pharmacy techs to sign off for pharmacists.

#### Other Activity:

- The usual Board business reports were given, including recent and future speaking engagements; reports on national meetings; and collaboration with other state agencies.
- Recommendations by the Board CE Committee were approved for two CE programs.

- One surety bond was reduced at the request of the applicant and in accordance with our regulations.

#### **WORKSHOP:**

**New Language to be added to NAC Chapter 639**, pursuant to the Good Samaritan Drug Overdose Act, SB 459 (2015), establishing educational requirements and standardized procedures or protocols for the furnishing of opioid antagonists by pharmacists and other appropriate entities to persons at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose or to a family member, friend or other person in a position to assist persons at risk of experiencing an opioid-related drug overdose

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code 453.510 – Schedule I** The proposed amendment to NAC 453.510 will add newly identified synthetic drugs to the list of controlled substances listed on Schedule I, and provides for other matters properly related thereto.

**Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 639.620, NAC 639.6282, NAC 639.6305 – Third-Party Logistics Providers** The regulation amends the definition of third-party logistics providers (3PLs) to be consistent with the Federal Drug Quality and Security Act (DQSA). The amendment requires that a 3PL obtain a license as an authorized warehouse, rather than being licensed as a wholesaler as they have historically been licensed.

**Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 639.050 and NAC 639.498** The proposed amendment will update the regulations to comply with current federal regulations allowing pharmacies, manufacturers, wholesalers, hospital pharmacies, and retail pharmacies to take prescription drugs back based on the September 9, 2014, DEA guidelines. These entities must obtain registration as an authorized collector from the DEA.

**Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 639.609, NAC 639.610, NAC 639.615; 639.New Language** The proposed amendment will require an outsourcing facility to obtain a license as a manufacturer if the outsourcing facility is engaged in the compounding of sterile drugs. The proposed amendment will update the regulation to be consistent with federal Drug Quality and Security Act (DQSA).