BEFORE THE BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

GSL PHARMACY, INC., DBA PLAZA WEST PHARMACY, YELENA GOLDINA, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 50644,

and

YELENA GOLDINA Pharmacist License No. RPH 51771,

Respondents.

Agency Case No. 7431

OAH NO. 2023080264

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DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of Accusation and Issuance of

Citation is hereby adopted by the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its

Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on June 19, 2024.

It is so ORDERED on May 20, 2024.

BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Ву

Seung W. Oh, Pharm.D. Board President

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12	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 7431	
13	GSL PHARMACY, INC., dba PLAZA WEST PHARMACY	OAH No. 2023080264	
14	YELENA GOLDINA, Chief Executive Officer 8540 Sepulveda Blvd, #102	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT FOR	
15	Los Angeles, CA 90045	WITHDRAWAL OF ACCUSATION AND ISSUANCE OF CITATION	
16	Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 50644		
17	and		
18	YELENA GOLDINA 8540 Sepulveda Blvd., #102		
19	Los Angeles, CA 91436		
20	Pharmacist License No. RPH 51771		
21	Respondents.		
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23	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREE	D by and between the parties to the above-	
24	entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:		
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	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT FOR WITHDRAWAL O	F ACCUSATION AND ISSUANCE OF CITATION (Case No.: 7431)	

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1	PARTIES
2	1. Anne Sodergren (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy
3	(Board). She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by
4	Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Heather Vo, Deputy Attorney General.
5	2. GSL Pharmacy, Inc., doing business as Plaza West Pharmacy (Respondent Plaza
6	West Pharmacy) and Yelena Goldina (Respondent Goldina) are represented in this proceeding by
7	attorney Ivan Petrzelka, Esq., whose address is: 9090 Irvine Center Drive, Irvine, CA 92618-
8	4658.
9	Pharmacy Permit
10	3. On or about June 9, 2011, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Permit Number
11	PHY 50644 to Respondent Plaza West Pharmacy. The Pharmacy Permit was in full force and
12	effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on June 1, 2024, unless
13	renewed.
14	Pharmacist License
15	4. On or about August 29, 2000, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacist License
16	Number RPH 51771 to Respondent Goldina. The Pharmacist License was in full force and effect
17	at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on July 31, 2024, unless
18	renewed. Respondent Goldina has been the Pharmacist-in-Charge of Respondent Plaza West
19	Pharmacy since October 1, 2013.
20	JURISDICTION
21	5. Accusation No. 7431 was filed before the Board, and is currently pending against
22	Respondents. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served
23	on Respondents on April 21, 2023. Respondents timely filed their Notice of Defense contesting
24	the Accusation.
25	6. A copy of Accusation No. 7431 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by
26	reference.
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	2 STIPULATED SETTLEMENT FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ACCUSATION AND ISSUANCE OF CITATION
	(Case No.: 7431)

1	ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS
2	7. Respondents have carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understand the
3	charges and allegations in Accusation No. 7431. Respondents have also carefully read, fully
4	discussed with counsel, and understand the effects of this Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of
5	Accusation and Issuance of Citation.
6	8. Respondents are fully aware of their legal rights in this matter, including the right to a
7	hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine
8	the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on their own behalf; the
9	right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of
10	documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other
11	rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
12	9. Respondents voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waive and give up each and
13	every right set forth above.
14	<u>CONTINGENCY</u>
15	10. By signing the stipulation, the parties understand and agree that they may not
16	withdraw their agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation.
17	11. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile
18	copies of this Stipulated Settlement, including Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile
19	signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
20	12. This Stipulated Settlement is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing
21	representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any
22	and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and
23	commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of Accusation and
24	Issuance of Citation may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed
25	except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.
26	13. The parties agree on the following resolution of the matter.
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	3 STIPULATED SETTLEMENT FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ACCUSATION AND ISSUANCE OF CITATION
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1		RESOLUTION	
2	14.	Complainant shall withdraw the Accusation No. 7431 and in its place, issue a citation	
3	to Respond	dents under Business and Professions Code section 125.9 on the following terms.	
4	(A)	Respondents Plaza West Pharmacy and Goldina shall be cited for violating Business	
5		and Professions Code section 4081(a) [failure to maintain current inventory of	
6		dangerous drugs and failure to maintain records of dangerous drugs];	
7	(B)	The citation shall charge that the violations were based on a Board audit for	
8		medications dispensed between January 1, 2020 and December 30, 2021 for the	
9		following drugs: Creon Dr 24,000 units capsule, Dexilant Dr 60 mg capsule, Vascepa	
10		1 gm capsule, Xarelto 15 mg tablet, and Xarelto 20 mg tablet.	
11	(C)	The Board reviewed the pharmacy's dispensing records, stock on hand, and	
12		wholesaler records. Based on the evidence collected, the audit revealed that	
13		Respondent Plaza West Pharmacy sold a greater amount of medication than it	
14		purchased with respect to each of the aforementioned drugs, resulting in an	
15		overpayment by insurance providers to Respondent Plaza West Pharmacy;	
16	(D)	As to Respondent Plaza West Pharmacy, the citation shall carry an administrative fine	
17		of \$5,000.00 due 30 days after the citation's issuance;	
18	(E)	As to Respondent Goldina, the citation shall carry an administrative fine of \$5,000.00	
19		due 30 days after the citation's issuance;	
20	(F)	The citation shall carry cost recovery for prosecution and investigative costs of	
21		\$5,000.00 and shall be paid within one year after the citation's issuance; and	
22	(G)	Payment of the fine shall not constitute an admission of the violations charged; and	
23	(H)	Respondents shall not appeal or contest the citation.	
24		ACCEPTANCE	
25	I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of Accusation and		
26	Issuance of Citation and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Ivan Petrzelka, Esq. I		
27	understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 50644. I		
28	enter into this Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of Accusation and Issuance of Citation		
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1	voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the		
2	Board of Pharmacy.		
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4	DATED: Signature Page Attached		
5	GSL PHARMACY, INC., dba PLAZA WEST PHARMACY		
6 7	YELENA GOLDINA, Chief Executive Officer Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 50644 Respondent		
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9	ACCEPTANCE		
10	I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of Accusation and		
11	Issuance of Citation and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Ivan Petrzelka, Esq. I		
12	understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Pharmacist License No. RPH 51711.		
13	I enter into this Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of Accusation and Issuance of Citation		
14	voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the		
15	Board of Pharmacy.		
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17	DATED:		
18	Pharmacist License No. RPH 51771		
19	Respondent		
20	I have read and fully discussed with Respondents Plaza West Pharmacy and Goldina the		
21	terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement for		
22	Withdrawal of Accusation and Issuance of Citation. I approve its form and content.		
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24	DATED:		
25	IVAN PETRZELKA Attorney for Respondents		
26	Thorney for respondents		
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DATED: 03/18/2024

GSL PHARMACY, INC., dba PLAZA WEST PHARMACY YELENA GOLDINA, Chief Executive Officer Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 50644 Respondent

ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of Accusation and Issuance of Citation and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Ivan Petrzelka, Esq. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Pharmacist License No. RPH 51711. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of Accusation and Issuance of Citation voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Pharmacy.

DATED: 03/18/2024

YELENA GOLDINA Pharmacist License No. RPH 51771 Respondent

I have read and fully discussed with Respondents Plaza West Pharmacy and Goldina the terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement for Withdrawal of Accusation and Issuance of Citation. I approve its form and content.

DATED: March 18, 2024

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IVAN PETRZELKA Attorney for Respondents

STIPULATED SETTLEMENT FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ACCUSATION AND ISSUANCE OF CITATION (Case No.: 7431)

1	ENDORSEMENT		
2	The foregoing Stipulated Settlement for	or Withdrawal of Accusation and Issuance of Citation	
3	is hereby respectfully submitted for consider	ation by the Board of Pharmacy.	
4	March 18, 2024	Despectfully submitted	
5	DATED:March 18, 2024	Respectfully submitted,	
6 7		Attorney General of California THOMAS L. RINALDI Supervising Deputy Attorney General	
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9		Heather Vo	
10		HEATHER VO Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant	
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CITATION AND FINE

Citation Number	Name, License No
CI 2020 91559	PLAZA WEST PHARMACY, PHY 50644

JURISDICTION: Bus. & Prof. Code § 4314; CCR, title 16, § 1775; Bus. & Prof. Code § 4301, subd. (o)

VIOLATION CODE SECTION	OFFENSE	AMT OF FINE
•	Records of Dangerous Drugs and Devices Kept Open for Inspection; Maintenance of Records,	\$5,000.00
subd. (a)	Current Inventory	

CONDUCT:

Records of Acquisition and Disposition: Business and Professions Code Section 4081 subdivision (a), in pertinent part, states all records of manufacture and of sale, acquisition, receipt, shipment, or disposition of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices shall be at all times during business hours open to inspection by authorized officers of the law, and shall be preserved for at least three years from the date of making. California Code of Regulations Section 1718, in pertinent part, states "current inventory" as used in Sections 4081 and 4332 of the Business and Professions Code shall be considered to include complete accountability for all dangerous drugs handled by every licensee enumerated in Sections 4081 and 4332. Specifically, an audit for the period between 01/01/2020 and 12/30/2021 of Plaza West Pharmacy, PHY50644, located at 8540 Sepulveda Boulevard #102, Los Angeles, CA 90045, revealed an overage (sold more than purchased) of Creon Dr 24,000 units capsule, Dexilant Dr 60 mg capsule, Vascepa 1 gm capsule, Xarelto 15 mg tablet and Xarelto 20 mg tablet.

The lack of accurate records for the disposed medications, as evidenced by the overages found, is a violation of Business and Professions Code 4081(a) and California Code of Regulations Section 1718.

CITATION ISSUED ON: June 27, 2024	TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINE(S): \$5,000.00

PAYMENT OF FINE(S) DUE BY: July 27, 2024

BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

CITATION AND FINE

Citation Number	Name, License No
CI 2023 104924	YELENA GOLDINA , RPH 51771

JURISDICTION: Bus. & Prof. Code § 4314; CCR, title 16, § 1775; Bus. & Prof. Code § 4113 subd. (c) Bus. & Prof. Code § 4301, subd. (o)

VIOLATION CODE SECTION	OFFENSE	AMT OF FINE
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The lack of accurate records for the disposed medications, as evidenced by the overages found, is a violation of Business and Professions Code 4081(a) and California Code of Regulations Section 1718.

CITATION ISSUED ON: June 27, 2024

TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINE(S): \$5,000.00

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Exhibit A

Accusation Case No. 7431

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12	GSL PHARMACY, INC., dba		
13	PLAZA WEST PHARMACY YELENA GOLDINA, Chief Executive Officer ACCUSATION		
14	8540 Sepulveda Blvd, #102 Los Angeles, CA 90045		
15	Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 50644		
16	and		
17	YELENA GOLDINA		
18	8540 Sepulveda Blvd., #102 Los Angeles, CA 91436		
19	Pharmacist License No. RPH 51771		
20	Respondents.		
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22	PARTIES		
23	1. Anne Sodergren (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity		
24 25	as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs.		
25 26	Pharmacy Permit		
26 27	2. On or about June 9, 2011, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Permit Number		
27	PHY 50644 to GSL Pharmacy, Inc., doing business as Plaza West Pharmacy, Yelena Goldina as		
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1	Chief Executive Officer (Respondent Plaza West Pharmacy). The Pharmacy Permit was in full
2	force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on June 1,
3	2023, unless renewed.
4	Pharmacist License
5	3. On or about August 29, 2000, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacist License
6	Number RPH 51771 to Yelena Goldina (Respondent Goldina). The Pharmacist License was in
7	full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on July 31,
8	2024, unless renewed. Respondent Goldina has been the Pharmacist-in-Charge of Respondent
9	Plaza West Pharmacy since October 1, 2013.
10	JURISDICTION
11	4. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer
12	Affairs (Board), under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the
13	Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.
14	5. Section 4011 of the Code provides that the Board shall administer and enforce both
15	the Pharmacy Law [Bus. & Prof. Code, § 4000 et seq.] and the Uniform Controlled Substances
16	Act [Health & Safety Code, § 11000 et seq.].
17	6. Section 4300, subdivision (a) of the Code provides that every license issued by the
18	Board may be suspended or revoked.
19	7. Section 4300.1 of the Code states:
20	The expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, or suspension of a board-issued license by operation of law or by order or decision of the board or a court of law, the
21	placement of a license on a retired status, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a license shall not deprive the board of jurisdiction to commence or proceed with any
22	investigation of, or action or disciplinary proceeding against, the licensee or to render a decision suspending or revoking the license.
23	a decision suspending of revoking the neense.
24	STATUTORY PROVISIONS
25	8. Section 4022 of the Code states
26 27	"Dangerous drug" or "dangerous device" means any drug or device unsafe for self-use in humans or animals, and includes the following:
28	(a) Any drug that bears the legend: "Caution: federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription," "Rx only," or words of similar import.
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1 2	(b) Any device that bears the statement: "Caution: federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a" "Rx only," or words of similar import, the blank to be filled in with the designation of the practitioner licensed to use or order use of the device.
3	(c) Any other drug or device that by federal or state law can be lawfully dispensed only on prescription or furnished pursuant to Section 4006.
4	9. Section 4081 of the Code states:
5	(a) All records of manufacture and of sale, acquisition, or disposition of
6	dangerous drugs or dangerous devices shall be at all times during business hours open to inspection by authorized officers of the law, and shall be preserved for at least
7 8	three years from the date of making. A current inventory shall be kept by every manufacturer, wholesaler, pharmacy, veterinary food-animal drug retailer, physician, dentist, podiatrist, veterinarian, laboratory, clinic, hospital, institution, or
9	establishment holding a currently valid and unrevoked certificate, license, permit, registration, or exemption under Division 2 (commencing with Section 1200) of the
10	Health and Safety Code or under Part 4 (commencing with Section 16000) of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code who maintains a stock of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.
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12	(b) The owner, officer, and partner of any pharmacy, wholesaler, or veterinary food-animal drug retailer shall be jointly responsible, with the pharmacist-in-charge or representative-in-charge, for maintaining the records and inventory described in
13	this section.
14 15	(c) The pharmacist-in-charge or representative-in-charge shall not be criminally responsible for acts of the owner, officer, partner, or employee that violate this section and of which the pharmacist-in-charge or representative-in-charge had no knowledge, or in which he or she did not knowingly participate.
16	10. Section 4105 of the Code states:
17 18	(a) All records or other documentation of the acquisition and disposition of dangerous drugs and devices by any entity licensed by the board shall be retained on the licensed premises in a readily retrievable form.
19	(c) The records required by this section shall be retained on the licensed premises for
20	a period of three years from the date of making.
21	11. Section 4113, subdivision (c) of the Code states:
22	The pharmacist-in-charge shall be responsible for a pharmacy's compliance
23	with all state and federal laws. and regulations pertaining to the practice of pharmacy.
24	12. Section 4301 of the Code states in pertinent part:
25 26	The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct or whose license has been issued by mistake. Unprofessional
27	conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:
28	(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or
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1	abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the board or any other state or federal regulatory
2	agency.
4	13. Section 4307, subdivision (a) of the Code states:
5	Any person who has been denied a license or whose license has been revoked
c.	or is under suspension, or who has failed to renew his or her license while it was under suspension, or who has been a manager, administrator, owner member, officer,
6 7	director, associate, or partner of any partnership, corporation, firm, or association whose application for a license has been denied or revoked, is under suspension or has been placed on probation, and while acting as the manger, administrator, owner,
8	member, officer, director, associate, or partner had knowledge or knowingly participated in any conduct for which the license was denied, revoked, suspended, or placed on probation, shall be prohibited from corving as a manager, administrator
9	placed on probation, shall be prohibited from serving as a manger, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee as follows:
10 11	(1) Where a probationary license is issued or where an existing license is placed on probation, this prohibition shall remain in effect for a period not to exceed five years.
12	(2) Where the license is denied or revoked, the prohibition shall continue until
13	the license is issued or reinstated.
14	14. Section 4332 of the Code states:
15	Any person who fails, neglects, or refuses to maintain the records required by Section 4081 or who, when called upon by an authorized officer or a member of the board, fails, neglects, or refuses to produce or provide the records within a reasonable
16 17	time, or who willfully produces or furnishes records that are false, is guilty of a misdemeanor.
18	REGULATORY PROVISIONS
19	15. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1718, states in pertinent part:
20 21	"Current Inventory" as used in Sections 4081 and 4332 of the Business and Professions Code shall be considered to include complete accountability for all dangerous drugs handled by every licensee enumerated in Sections 4081 and 4332.
22	COST RECOVERY
23	16. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the
24	administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of
25	the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and
26	enforcement of the case.
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1	DRUGS
2	17. <u>Creon Dr</u> is a brand brand name for pancrelipase and a dangerous drug pursuant to
3	Business and Professions Code section 4022. It is used for the treatment of exocrine pancreatic
4	insufficiency due to cystic fibrosis, chronic pancreatitis, pancreatectomy, or other conditions.
5	18. <u>Dexilant</u> is a brand name for dexlansoprazole and a dangerous drug pursuant to
6	Business and Professions Code section 4022. It is used for the treatment of stomach and
7	esophagus problems such as acid reflux.
8	19. <u>Vascepa</u> is a brand name for icosapent ethyl and a dangerous drug pursuant to
9	Business and Professions Code section 4022. It is used for the treatment of reducing triglycerides
10	(fats).
11	20. <u>Xarelto</u> is a brand name for rivaroxaban and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business
12	and Professions Code section 4022. It is used to treat and prevent dangerous blood clots in the
13	body.
14	FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS
15	21. Respondent Plaza West Pharmacy is located in Los Angeles, California. At all times
16	relevant herein, Respondent Goldina was the Pharmacist-in-Charge and Chief Executive Officer
17	of Plaza West Pharmacy.
18	22. On or around April 18, 2021, the Board received a complaint from Qlarant, a
19	Medicare Drug Integrity Contractor (I-MEDIC), alleging several drug overages at Respondent
20	Plaza West Pharmacy ¹ . I-MEDIC is contracted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
21	to conduct investigations into fraud, waste and abuse in the Medicare Parts C and D Programs.
22	During the course of the investigation, it was determined that Respondent Plaza West Pharmacy
23	failed to maintain proper records of acquisition and disposition of dangerous drugs.
24	23. On December 30, 2021, a Board inspection was conducted at Respondent Plaza West
25	Pharmacy with the assistance of Respondent Goldina. The Board performed an audit for
26	medications dispensed between January 1, 2020 and December 30, 2021 for the following drugs:
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28	¹ Drug overages are defined as the pharmacy selling more drugs than it purchased.
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1	Creon Dr 24,000 units capsule, Dexilant Dr 60 mg capsule, Vascepa 1 gm capsule, Xarelto 15 mg
2	tablet, and Xarelto 20 mg tablet.
3	24. The Board reviewed the pharmacy's dispensing records, stock on hand, and
4	wholesaler records. Based on the evidence collected, the audit revealed that Respondent Plaza
5	West Pharmacy sold a greater amount of medication than it purchased with respect to each of the
6	aforementioned drugs, resulting in an overpayment by insurance providers to Respondent Plaza
7	West Pharmacy in approximately \$445,706.54.
8	FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
9	(Failure to Maintain Current Inventory)
10	25. Respondents Plaza West Pharmacy and Goldina are subject to disciplinary action
11	under Code section 4301, subdivision (o), for violating Code sections 4081, subdivision (a), and
12	4332, and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1718, in that they did not maintain a
13	current inventory of dangerous drugs. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates,
14	the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 21 through 24, inclusive, as though set forth fully
15	herein.
16	SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
17	(Failure to Maintain Records)
18	26. Respondents Plaza West Pharmacy and Goldina are subject to disciplinary action
19	under Code section 4301, subdivision (o), for violating Code sections 4081, subdivision (a), and
20	4105, subdivisions (a) and (c), and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1718, in that
21	they did not maintain records of dangerous drugs. Complainant refers to, and by this reference
22	incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 21 through 24, inclusive, as though set
23	forth fully herein.
24	THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
25	(Unprofessional Conduct)
26	27. Respondents Plaza West Pharmacy and Goldina are subject to disciplinary action
27	under Code section 4301, in that Respondents committed acts of unprofessional conduct.
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	(GSL PHARMACY, INC., dba PLAZA WEST PHARMACY and YELENA GOLDINA) ACCUSATION

Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 21 through 24, inclusive, as though set forth fully herein.

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OTHER MATTERS

28. Pursuant to Code section 4307, if discipline is imposed on Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 50644 issued to GSL Pharmacy, Inc. doing business as Plaza West Pharmacy, it shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for five years if Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 50644 is placed on probation or until Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 50644 is reinstated if it is revoked.

9 29. Pursuant to Code section 4307, if discipline is imposed on Pharmacy Permit Number
10 PHY 50644 issued to GSL Pharmacy, Inc. doing business as Plaza West Pharmacy, while Yelena
11 Goldina has been an owner or manager and had knowledge of or knowingly participated in any
12 conduct for which the licensee was disciplined, Yelena Goldina shall be prohibited from serving
13 as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee
14 for five years if Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 50644 is placed on probation or until Pharmacy
15 Permit Number PHY 50644 is reinstated if it is revoked.

30. Pursuant to Code section 4307, if discipline is imposed on Pharmacist License No.
RPH 51771 issued to Yelena Goldina, Yelena Goldina shall be prohibited from serving as a
manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for
five years if Pharmacist License Number RPH 51771 is placed on probation or until Pharmacist
License Number RPH 51771 is reinstated if it is revoked.

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PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:

Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 50644, issued to GSL
 Pharmacy, Inc., dba Plaza West Pharmacy; Yelena Goldina as the Chief Executive Officer;

26 2. Revoking or suspending Pharmacist License Number RPH 51771, issued to Yelena
27 Goldina;

1	3. Prohibiting GSL Pharmacy, Inc., dba Plaza West Pharmacy from serving as a
2	manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for
3	five years if Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 50644 is placed on probation or until Pharmacy
4	Permit Number PHY 50644 is reinstated if Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 50644 issued to GSL
5	Pharmacy, Inc., dba Plaza West Pharmacy is revoked;
6	4. Prohibiting Yelena Goldina from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member,
7	officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for five years if Pharmacy Permit Number PHY
8	50644 is placed on probation or until Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 50644 is reinstated if Pharmacy
9	Permit Number PHY 50644 issued to GSL Pharmacy, Inc., dba Plaza West Pharmacy is revoked;
10	5. Prohibiting Yelena Goldina from serving as a manager, administrator, owner,
11	member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for five years if Pharmacist Number
12	RPH 51771 is placed on probation or until Pharmacist License Number RPH 51771 is reinstated
13	if Pharmacist License Number RPH 51771 is revoked;
14	6. Ordering Respondents to pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the
15	investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section
16	125.3; and,
17	7. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.
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