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July 31, 2020

Philip J. Trapskin  
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RE: Variance Request per Wis. Stat. § 450.02(3m)

Dear Mr. Trapskin,

On March 25, 2020, the Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining Board granted a variance of Wis. Stat. § 450.03(1), to **allow pharmacists who are licensed in good standing in other states, United States territories, and the District of Columbia to practice pharmacy in the state of Wisconsin without a Wisconsin license.** The stated purpose of the request was to compensate for a shortage of pharmacy staff during the COVID-19 emergency. Subsequently, the provisions of that variance were superseded by Emergency Order #16, and it was rescinded on April 3, 2020. Subsequent to Emergency Order #16, 2019 Wis. Act 185 was signed into law. The state of emergency expired on May 11, 2020, and any temporary licenses issued pursuant to 2019 Wis. Act 185 expired on June 10, 2020.

On June 4, 2020, the Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining Board reviewed and reissued this variance subject to requirements as stated in the June 10 letter. The Board considered whether to extend this variance on July 23, 2020, and determined that the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 450.02(3m)(b) have been met. This variance is hereby **extended 90 days**, unless modified, rescinded, or extended by further action of the Pharmacy Examining Board pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 450.02(3m)(b).

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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