

PHARMACY AND POISONS ORDINANCE (Chapter 138)

DIRECTION MADE BY THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE
OF THE PHARMACY AND POISONS BOARD OF HONG KONG

It is hereby notified that a Disciplinary Committee appointed by the Pharmacy and Poisons Board of Hong Kong under section 15 of the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance, Chapter 138, Laws of Hong Kong ('the Ordinance') to inquire into the conduct of an authorized seller of poisons, namely Ever Success Dispensary Limited ('Ever Success'), at Ground Floor and Cockloft, 50 Belcher's Street, Kennedy Town, Hong Kong, has conducted an inquiry on 5 January 2017 in accordance with section 16 of the Ordinance.

The said Committee was satisfied after the inquiry that, at the material time, Ever Success, an authorized seller of poisons, had contravened the Code of Practice for Authorized Seller of Poisons (COP) on 1 February 2016. Details of the contraventions are as follows:—

<i>Person Involved</i>	<i>Particulars</i>	<i>Contraventions of the COP</i>
1) Ever Success	Ever Success failed to ensure all the keys of the lockable receptacle in the dispensing area were kept by the registered pharmacist.	The lockable receptacles where controlled medicines are kept for the purposes of sale must be under the personal control of the registered pharmacist present at the premises. (section 1.4a)
2) Ever Success	Ever Success failed to provide written order in relation to purchasing of Stilnox.	Acquisition of controlled medicines from the manufacturers, wholesalers or other retailers must be by way of a written order such as an electronic order. (section 3.3b)
3) Ever Success	Ever Success failed to provide the sales invoice for Stilnox.	All written orders for acquisition of controlled medicines and corresponding sales invoices must be kept for inspection for a period of two years from the date of the transaction. (section 3.4j)
4) Ever Success	Ever Success failed to keep proper record of Stilnox in its psychotropic substances book.	Psychotropic substances book must be kept for recording every transaction of psychotropic substances, including those supplied on and in accordance with a prescription. (section 3.4f)

It is further notified that under section 16(2)(b) of the Ordinance, the said Committee directed that Ever Success should be disqualified from being an authorized seller of poisons for a period of 2 days with effect from 17 February 2017. The said Committee added that its direction should be published in the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Gazette with an account of the proceedings.

Cindy LAI *Chairman, Disciplinary Committee of the Pharmacy and Poisons Board of Hong Kong*