



Franchisees Suing Cardinal Health Over Agreements

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Medicine Shoppe and Medicap pharmacists are suing Cardinal Health, alleging the health care company failed to make good on promises it made when it asked them to switch to a new franchise agreement.

The lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court in Columbus says franchise holders who agreed to the change are paying lower fees than others, while all are getting fewer supports and services from Cardinal. It says many who have the lower fees were charged exorbitant penalties to switch.

Attorney David Harris says pharmacists want a return of penalties paid and for all franchisees to be charged the lower fees or be allowed to cancel their franchise agreements. He says the suit could include more than 600 franchises.

A message seeking comment was left for a Cardinal health spokesman.

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