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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT **Filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(5)**
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CHINA JO-JO DRUGSTORES, INC.

1,200,000 Shares of Common Stock

and

Warrants to purchase up to 600,000 Shares of Common Stock

Pursuant to this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, we are offering directly to select accredited investors 1,200,000 shares of our common stock (the “Shares”) together with warrants to purchase up to an aggregate of 600,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$3.10 per share (the “Warrants”). The Warrants are initially exercisable six months following the date of issuance and are exercisable by the holders at any time during the five-year period following the date on which they are initially exercisable. In connection with this offering, we will also issue, as additional compensation, to H.C. Wainwright & Co., LLC, our exclusive placement agent, placement agent warrants to purchase up to 6% of the Shares placed in this offering, which warrants shall have substantially the same terms as the Warrants and are also being offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement (the “Placement Agent Warrants”).

The Shares and the Warrants will be sold together as a unit consisting of one Share and a Warrant (to purchase 0.5 shares of our common stock for each Share included in the unit). The purchase price per unit will be \$2.50. The Shares and the Warrants will be issued separately but can only be purchased together in this offering. The shares of common stock issuable from time to time pursuant to the exercise of the Warrants and the Placement Agent Warrants are also being offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

Our common stock trades on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol “CJJD.” The last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market on July 17, 2015 was \$3.09 per share. There is no established public trading market for the Warrants and we do not expect a market to develop. In addition, we do not intend to apply for listing of the Warrants on any national securities exchange.

As of July 17, 2015, the aggregate market value of our outstanding common stock held by non-affiliates was approximately \$25,402,958 based on 15,650,504 shares of outstanding common stock, of which 7,429,482 shares

were held by affiliates as of such date, and a price of \$3.09 per share, which was the last reported sale price of our common stock as quoted on the NASDAQ Capital Market on July 17, 2015. We have not offered securities pursuant to General Instruction I.B.6 of Form S-3 during the prior 12 calendar month period that ends on, and includes, the date of this prospectus supplement.

	Per Unit	Total
Public offering price	\$2.50	\$3,000,000
Placement agent fees	\$0.15	\$180,000
Proceeds, before other expenses, to us (1)	\$2.35	\$2,820,000

(1) We also have agreed to pay H. C. Wainwright & Co., Inc. a \$50,000 non-accountable expense allowance.

We have retained H.C. Wainwright & Co., LLC to act as exclusive placement agent in connection with this offering. The placement agent has no obligation to buy any of the securities from us or to arrange for the purchase or sale of any specific number or dollar amount of securities. See “Plan of Distribution” beginning on page S-10 of this prospectus supplement for more information regarding these arrangements.

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. See the section entitled “Risk Factors” beginning on page S-6 of this prospectus supplement and in the documents that we incorporate by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. You should carefully consider these risk factors, as well as the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, before you invest.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

We estimate the total expenses of this offering, excluding the placement agency fees and expenses, will be approximately \$65,000. Because there is no minimum offering amount required in this offering, the actual offering amount, the placement agent fees and the net proceeds to us, if any, in this offering may be substantially less than the total offering amounts set forth above. We are not required to sell any specific number or dollar amount of the securities offered in this offering, but the placement agent will use its reasonable best efforts to arrange for the sale of

all of the securities offered. The closing of the sale of securities will take place on or around July 23, 2015.

H. C. Wainwright & Co.

The date of this prospectus supplement is July 21, 2015

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

This prospectus supplement is a supplement to the accompanying prospectus that is also a part of this document. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, dated August 29, 2014, are part of a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-198001) that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, utilizing a “shelf” registration process. Under this shelf registration process, we may offer and sell from time to time in one or more offerings the securities described in the accompanying prospectus.

This document is in two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes the securities we are offering and the terms of the offering and also adds to and updates information contained in the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into the accompanying prospectus. The second part is the accompanying prospectus, which provides more general information, some of which may not apply to the securities offered by this prospectus supplement. Generally, when we refer to this “prospectus,” we are referring to both documents combined. To the extent there is a conflict between the information contained in this prospectus supplement, on the one hand, and the information contained in the accompanying prospectus or any document incorporated by reference therein, on the other hand, you should rely on the information in this prospectus supplement. We urge you to carefully read this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and any related free writing prospectus, together with the information incorporated herein and therein by reference as described under the heading “Where You Can Find Additional Information,” before buying any of the securities being offered.

You should rely only on the information that we have provided or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and any related free writing prospectus that we may authorize to be provided to you. We have not, and the placement agent has not, authorized anyone to provide you with different information. No other dealer, salesperson or other person is authorized to give any information or to represent anything not contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus or any related free writing prospectus that we may authorize to be provided to you. You must not rely on any unauthorized information or representation. This prospectus supplement is an offer to sell only the securities offered hereby, and only under circumstances and in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. You should assume that the information in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus or any related free writing prospectus is accurate only as of the date on the front of the document and that any information we have incorporated by reference is accurate only as of the date of the document incorporated by reference, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus or any related free writing prospectus, or any sale of a security.

This prospectus supplement contains summaries of certain provisions contained in some of the documents described herein, but reference is made to the actual documents for complete information. All of the summaries are qualified in their entirety by the actual documents. Copies of some of the documents referred to herein have been filed, will be filed or will be incorporated by reference as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus supplement is a part, and you may obtain copies of those documents as described below under the heading “Where You Can Find More Information.”

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents that we have filed with the SEC that are incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement contain “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), and may involve material risks, assumptions and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements typically are identified by the use of terms such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “believe,” “might,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “intend,” “plan,” “estimate,” and similar words, although some forward-looking statements are expressed differently.

Any forward looking statements contained in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents that we have filed with the SEC that are incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement are only estimates or predictions of future events based on information currently available to our management and management’s current beliefs about the potential outcome of future events. Whether these future events will occur as management anticipates, whether we will achieve our business objectives, and whether our revenues, operating results, or financial condition will improve in future periods are subject to numerous risks. There are a number of important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results anticipated by these forward-looking statements. These important factors include those that we discuss under the heading “Risk Factors” and in other sections of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2015, as well as in our other reports filed from time to time with the SEC that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. You should read these factors and the other cautionary statements made in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and in the documents we incorporate by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus as being applicable to all related forward-looking statements wherever they appear in this prospectus supplement or the documents we incorporate by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. If one or more of these factors materialize, or if any underlying assumptions prove incorrect, our actual results, performance or achievements may vary materially from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT SUMMARY

This summary is not complete and does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in the securities offered by this prospectus supplement. You should read this summary together with the entire prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including our risk factors (as provided for herein and incorporated by reference), financial statements, the notes to those financial statements and the other documents that are incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, before making an investment decision. You should carefully read the information described under the heading “Where You Can Find More Information.” We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that contained in this prospectus supplement. The information contained in this prospectus supplement is accurate only as of the date of this prospectus supplement, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus supplement or of any sale of our securities.

Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms “CJJD,” “the Company,” “we,” “us,” and “our” in this prospectus supplement each refer to China Jo-Jo Drugstores, Inc., our subsidiaries, and our consolidated entities. “China” and the “PRC” refer to the People’s Republic of China.

The Company

We were incorporated in Nevada on December 19, 2006, under the name “Kerrisdale Mining Corporation.” On September 24, 2009, the Company changed its name to “China Jo-Jo Drugstores, Inc.” Headquartered in the Zhejiang Province, the Company, through its own retail drugstores, wholesale distributor and online pharmacy, is a leading retailer and wholesale distributor of pharmaceutical and healthcare products in China.

Our Business

We currently operate in four business segments in China: (1) retail drugstores, (2) online pharmacy, (3) wholesale of products similar to those that we carry in our pharmacies, and (4) farming and selling herbs used for traditional Chinese medicine (“TCM”).

Our drugstores offer customers a wide variety of pharmaceutical products, including prescription and over-the-counter (“OTC”) drugs, nutritional supplements, TCM, personal and family care products, and medical devices, as well as convenience products, including consumable, seasonal, and promotional items. Additionally, we have licensed doctors of both western medicine and TCM on site for consultation, examination and treatment of common ailments at scheduled hours. We currently have 59 pharmacies in Hangzhou under the store brand of “Jiuzhou Grand Pharmacy.”

During the year ended March 31, 2015, we opened three new pharmacies and acquired eight pharmacies in Hangzhou.

We operate a wholesale business through Jiuxin Medicine distributing third-party pharmaceutical products (similar to those carried by our pharmacies) primarily to trading companies throughout China. We also farm certain herbs used in TCM that we currently sell to a local vendor. Since May 2010, we have also been selling certain OTC drugs and nutritional supplements online.

The following table breaks down the revenue for our four business segments for the years ended March 31, 2015 and 2014:

	Years ended March 31, 2015		2014		Variance by amount	% of change
	Amount	% of total revenue	Amount	% of total revenue		
Revenue from retail business						
Revenue from drugstores	\$48,799,736	63.5	% \$40,096,781	60.6	% \$8,702,955	21.7
Revenue from online sales	14,879,397	19.4	% 7,560,135	11.4	% 7,319,262	96.8
Sub-total of retail revenue	63,679,133	82.9	% 47,656,916	72.0	% 16,022,217	33.6
Revenue from wholesale business	13,216,599	17.1	% 18,497,671	28.0	% (5,281,072)	(28.5)%
Revenue from herb farming business	-	-	% -	-	% -	N/A
Total revenue	\$76,895,732	100.0	% \$66,154,587	100.0	% \$10,741,145	16.2

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The Offering

Common stock
offered by us

(Not including Shares
issuable upon exercise
of the Warrants) 1,200,000 Shares

Common stock to be
outstanding after this
offering 16,850,504 Shares
(assuming no exercise
of the warrants offered
by us)

Warrants offered by us Warrants to purchase an aggregate of 600,000 Shares at an exercise price of \$3.10 per share. The Warrants are initially exercisable by the holders at any time beginning six months following the issuance thereof and expire five years from the date on which they are initially exercisable.

This prospectus supplement also relates to the offering of the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants.

Use of proceeds We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for working capital and other general corporate purposes. There is no assurance that any of the Warrants will ever be exercised for cash, if at all. See “Use of Proceeds” on page S-7.

Market for the Shares
and Warrants Our common stock is quoted and traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol “CJJD.” However, there is no established public trading market for the Warrants, and we do not expect a market to develop. In addition, we do not intend to apply to list the Warrants on any securities exchange. The Warrants are immediately separable from the Shares being offered as part of the Units.

Risk factors You should read the “Risk Factors” section on page S-6 of this prospectus supplement, the “Risk Factors” section beginning on page 5 of the accompanying prospectus, and the “Risk Factors” section in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2015, for a discussion of factors to consider before deciding to purchase our securities.

The number of shares of our common stock to be outstanding after this offering (16,850,504) is based on the actual number of shares outstanding as of July 17, 2015, which was 15,650,504, and does not include, as of that date:

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150,000 shares being held in reserve by the Company for its future issuance of shares underlying the warrants and/or options that were outstanding immediately prior to the date hereto;

672,000 shares issuable upon the exercise of the Warrants and the Placement Agent Warrants issued in connection with the offering described in this prospectus supplement; and

967,000 shares available for future issuance under our equity incentive plans.

Unless otherwise stated, outstanding share information throughout this prospectus supplement excludes the above.

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RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. Before making any investment decision, you should carefully consider the risk factors set forth in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the information incorporated by reference herein and therein, including under the caption “Risk Factors” in our most recent annual report on Form 10-K, as well as in any applicable prospectus supplement, as updated by our subsequent filings under the Exchange Act.

These risks could materially affect our business, results of operation or financial condition and affect the value of our securities. Additional risks and uncertainties that are not yet identified may also materially harm our business, operating results and financial condition and could result in a complete loss of your investment. You could lose all or part of your investment. For more information, see “Where You Can Find More Information.”

Risks Related to This Offering

Management will have broad discretion as to the use of the proceeds from this offering, and we may not use the proceeds effectively.

Subject to certain restrictions in the securities purchase agreement, our management will have significant flexibility in applying the net proceeds of this offering. You will be relying on the judgment of our management with regard to the use of these net proceeds, and in general you will not have the opportunity, as part of your investment decision, to assess whether the proceeds are being used appropriately. It is possible that the net proceeds will be invested in a way that does not yield a favorable, or any, return for us. The failure of our management to use such funds effectively could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, operating results and cash flow.

You will experience immediate dilution in the book value per share of the common stock you purchase.

Because the price per share of our common stock being offered is higher than the book value per share of our common stock, you will suffer substantial dilution in the net tangible book value of the common stock you purchase in this offering. Based on the initial offering price of \$2.50 per Share, if you purchase the Shares offered in this offering, you will suffer immediate and substantial dilution per Share in the net tangible book value of the common stock.

There is no public market for the warrants to purchase common stock in this offering.

There is no established public trading market for the Warrants being sold in this offering, and we do not expect a market to develop. In addition, we do not intend to apply to list the Warrants on any securities exchange. Without an active market, the liquidity of the warrants will be limited.

The Warrants may not have any value

The Warrants have an exercise price of \$3.10 per share and can be exercised during the five-year period beginning on the six month anniversary of the date of issuance. In the event our common stock price does not exceed the exercise price of the Warrants during the period when the Warrants are exercisable, the Warrants may not have any value.

Holders of the Warrants will have no rights as common stockholders until they acquire our common stock.

Until you acquire shares of our common stock upon exercise of any of the Warrants, you will have no rights with respect to our common stock. Upon exercise of any Warrants held, you will be entitled to exercise the rights of a common stockholder only as to matters for which the record date occurs after the exercise date.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds we will receive from this offering will be approximately \$2,705,000, after deducting the placement agency fees and the estimated offering expenses payable by us. We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants that we are offering unless and until such Warrants are exercised.

If all of the Warrants that are being issued to the investors and the placement agent in connection with this offering are fully exercised for cash, we would receive additional aggregate proceeds of approximately \$2.1 million.

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes and working capital, including for research and development, general and administrative expenses, and potential ordinary course acquisitions of technologies that complement our business. In the Securities Purchase Agreement that we entered into with the investors in this offering, we have, subject to certain exceptions, specifically agreed not to use the proceeds of this offering to satisfy any existing debt (other than ordinary course trade payables), to redeem any of our outstanding securities, or to settle any litigation.

We have not specifically identified the precise amounts we will spend on each of these areas or the timing of these expenditures. The amounts actually expended for each purpose may vary significantly depending upon numerous factors, including assessments of potential market opportunities and competitive developments. In addition, expenditures may also depend on the establishment of new collaborative arrangements with other companies, the availability of other financing, and other factors. Subject to any agreed upon contractual restrictions under the terms of the purchase agreement, our management will have some discretion in the application of the net proceeds from this offering. Our stockholders may not agree with the manner in which our management chooses to allocate and spend the net proceeds. Moreover, our management may use the net proceeds for purposes that may not result in our being profitable or increase our market value.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURITIES

We are offering to investors in this offering an aggregate of 1,200,000 Shares, together with Warrants to purchase up to an additional 600,000 shares of our common stock. The Shares and Warrants will be sold together as a unit consisting of one Share and a Warrant (to purchase 0.5 shares of our common stock for each Share included in the unit). We are offering the units at a purchase price of \$2.50 per unit. Units will not be issued or certificated. The Shares and the Warrants are immediately separable and will be issued separately.

This prospectus supplement also relates to the offering of the Placement Agent Warrants and of the 72,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise, if any, of the Placement Agent Warrants.

Common Stock

A description of the Shares of our common stock that we are offering pursuant to this prospectus supplement is set forth under the heading “Description of Common Stock,” starting on page 6 of the accompanying prospectus. As of July 17, 2015, we had an aggregate of 15,650,504 issued and outstanding shares of our common stock.

Warrants

The material terms and provisions of the Warrants being offered to investors pursuant to this prospectus supplement are summarized below. The summary is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by, the form of warrant which will be provided to each investor in this offering, which is attached as an exhibit to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC in connection with this offering.

The Warrants are exercisable for an aggregate of 600,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$3.10 per share. The Warrants are initially exercisable beginning six months following the issuance thereof, and expire on the five-year anniversary of the date on which they initially become exercisable.

The exercise price and the number of shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants are subject to an adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events, including, but not limited to, stock splits or dividends, and other similar transactions. The exercise price the Warrants is not subject to an adjustment in the event that the Company issues or is deemed to

issue shares of common stock for less than the applicable exercise price of the Warrants.

Holders of the Warrants may exercise their Warrants by delivering an exercise notice, appropriately completed and duly signed. Payment of the exercise price for the number of shares for which the warrant is being exercised is required to be delivered within two (2) trading days after exercise of a Warrant. In the event that the registration statement relating to such warrant shares is not effective, the holder will have the right to exercise its Warrants for a net number of warrant shares pursuant to the cashless exercise procedures specified in the Warrants. The Warrants may be exercised in whole or in part, and any portion of a Warrant not exercised prior to the termination date shall be and become void and of no value. The absence of an effective registration statement or applicable exemption from registration does not alleviate our obligation to deliver common stock issuable upon exercise of a Warrant.

Upon the holder's exercise of a Warrant, we will issue the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of such Warrant within three trading days of our receipt of notice of exercise.

Underlying Shares

The shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants will be, when issued in accordance with the Warrants, duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable. We will authorize and reserve at least that number of shares of common stock equal to the number of shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of all outstanding Warrants.

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Fundamental Transaction

If, at any time the Warrants are outstanding, we consummate any fundamental transaction, as described in the Warrants, and which term generally includes, but is not limited to the following: (i) any consolidation or merger into another corporation, (ii) the consummation of a transaction whereby another person or entity acquires more than 50% of our outstanding voting stock, (iii) or the sale of all or substantially all of our assets, then, upon any subsequent exercise of the Warrants, the holder shall have the right to receive, for each share of common stock that would have been issuable upon such exercise immediately prior to the occurrence of such fundamental transaction, at the option of the holder, the number of shares of common stock of the successor or acquiring corporation or of the Company, if it is the surviving corporation, and any additional consideration receivable as a result of such fundamental transaction by a holder of the number of shares of common stock for which the Warrant is exercisable immediately prior to such fundamental transaction. Additionally, in the event of a fundamental transaction, each holder will have the right to require us, or our successor, to repurchase its Warrants for an amount of cash equal to the Black-Scholes value of the remaining unexercised portion of the Warrant.

Limitations on Exercise

The exercisability of the Warrants may be limited in certain circumstances if, upon exercise, the holder or any of its affiliates would beneficially own more than 4.99% of our common stock.

No Stockholder Rights

The holder of a Warrant will not possess any rights as a stockholder under the Warrant until the holder exercises such Warrant.

No Market for Warrants

There is no established public trading market for the Warrants, and we do not expect a market to develop. We do not intend to apply to list the Warrants on any securities exchange. Without an active market, the liquidity of the Warrants will be limited. In addition, in the event the price of our common stock does not exceed the per share exercise price of the Warrants during the period when the Warrants are exercisable, the Warrants will not have any value.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Engagement Agreement

We have entered into an engagement agreement (the “Engagement Agreement”), dated July 19, 2015, with H.C. Wainwright & Co., LLC (“Wainwright”), pursuant to which Wainwright agreed to act as our exclusive placement agent in connection with this offering. The Engagement Agreement is attached as an exhibit to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC in connection with this offering.

The placement agent is not purchasing or selling any units offered by this prospectus supplement, nor is it required to arrange the purchase or sale of any specific number or dollar amount of securities, but the placement agent has agreed to use its best efforts to arrange for the direct sale of all of the securities in this offering pursuant to this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. There is no requirement that any minimum number of securities or dollar amount of securities be sold in this offering and there can be no assurance that we will sell all or any of the securities being offered. Therefore, we will enter into a purchase agreement directly with each investor in connection with this offering and we may not sell the entire amount of securities offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement. We have agreed to indemnify the placement agent and purchasers against liabilities under the Securities Act and to contribute to payments that the placement agent may be required to make in respect of such liabilities.

We entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement, dated as of July 19, 2015 with a single health-care focused institutional investor purchasing the securities being issued pursuant to this offering. The form of the Securities Purchase Agreement is attached as an exhibit to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC in connection with this offering. The closing of this offering will take place on or around July 23, 2015, and the following will occur:

we will receive funds in the amount of the aggregate purchase price;

the placement agent will receive the placement agent fees and the Placement Agent Warrants in accordance with the terms of the Engagement Agreement; and

we will deliver the units, consisting of the Shares and the Warrants

We have also agreed to indemnify the investors against certain losses resulting from our breach of any of our representations, warranties, or covenants under agreements with the purchasers as well as under certain other circumstances described in the Securities Purchase Agreement.

In connection with this offering, the Placement Agent may distribute this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus electronically.

The placement agent may be deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of Section 2(a)(11) of the Securities Act, and any fees or commissions received by it and any profit realized on the resale of securities sold by it while acting as principal might be deemed to be underwriting discounts or commissions under the Securities Act. As an underwriter, the placement agent would be required to comply with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, including, without limitation, Rule 415(a)(4) under the Securities Act and Rule 10b-5 and Regulation M under the Exchange Act. These rules and regulations may limit the timing of purchases and sales of shares of common stock and warrants by the placement agent. Under these rules and regulations, the placement agent: (i) may not engage in any stabilization activity in connection with our securities; and (ii) may not bid for or purchase any of our securities or attempt to induce any person to purchase any of our securities, other than as permitted under the Exchange Act, until it has completed its participation in the distribution.

Fees

In exchange for these placement agent services, we have agreed to pay the placement agent upon the closing of this offering a cash fee equal to 6% of the aggregate purchase price of the units sold under this prospectus supplement; plus a non-accountable expense allowance of \$50,000. In addition, we agreed to pay additional compensation in the form of warrants (the Placement Agent Warrants) to purchase that number of shares which equals 6% of the aggregate number of Shares included in the units sold in this offering. The Placement Agent Warrants issuable to the placement agent shall be on substantially the same terms and conditions as the Warrants offered to the investors pursuant to this prospectus supplement. The Placement Agent Warrants and the shares of common stock underlying the Placement Agent Warrants are being registered pursuant to this prospectus supplement.

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Pursuant to FINRA Rule 5110(g), with limited exceptions, neither the Placement Agent Warrants nor any shares issued upon exercise of the Placement Agent Warrants shall be sold, transferred, assigned, pledged, or hypothecated, or be the subject of any hedging, short sale, derivative, put, or call transaction that would result in the effective economic disposition of the securities by any person for a period of 180 days immediately following the date of effectiveness or commencement of sales of this offering.

The following table shows the per unit and total placement agent fees we will pay to the Placement Agent in connection with the sale of units offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement assuming the purchase of all of the units offered hereby:

	Total
Aggregate Offering Price of units	\$3,000,000
Placement agent fees	\$180,000

Because there is no minimum offering amount in this offering, the actual total placement agent fees are not presently determinable and may be substantially less than the maximum amount set forth above.

We estimate the total offering expenses of this offering that will be payable by us, excluding the placement agent fees, will be approximately \$115,000, which include legal and printing costs, various other fees and reimbursement of the placement agent's expenses. At the closing, our transfer agent will credit the Shares to the respective accounts of the purchasers. We will mail the Warrants directly to the purchasers at their respective addresses set forth in the Securities Purchase Agreement.

The foregoing does not purport to be a complete statement of the terms and conditions of the Engagement Agreement and the Securities Purchase Agreement, copies of each of which are attached as an exhibit to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC in connection with this offering, and incorporated herein by reference.

LEGAL MATTERS

Selected legal matters with respect to the validity of the securities offered by this prospectus supplement will be passed upon for us by Pryor Cashman LLP, New York, NY. Ellenoff Grossman & Schole LLP, New York, NY acted as counsel to the placement agent.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of China Jo-Jo Drugstores, Inc. and its subsidiaries as of March 31, 2015, and for the year then ended, have been incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus in reliance on the report of BDO China Shu Lun Pan Certified Accountants LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of China Jo-Jo Drugstores, Inc. and its subsidiaries as of March 31, 2014, and for the year then ended, have been incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus in reliance on the report of Friedman LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act with respect to the securities we are offering under this prospectus supplement. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement and the exhibits to the registration statement.

For further information with respect to us and the securities we are offering under this prospectus supplement, we refer you to the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules filed as a part of the registration statement. Statements contained in this prospectus supplement as to the contents of any contract or any other document referred to are not necessarily complete, and in each instance, we refer you to the copy of the contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the registration statement. Each of these statements is qualified in all respects by this reference. We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available to the public over the Internet at the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. You may also read and copy any document we file at the SEC's public reference room, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference room. Because our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market, you may also inspect reports, proxy statements and other information at the offices of the NASDAQ Capital Market Information found on our website is not part of this prospectus supplement or any other report we file with or furnish to the SEC.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to “incorporate by reference” the information we file with them into this prospectus supplement. This means that we can disclose important information about us and our financial condition to you by referring you to another document filed separately with the SEC instead of having to repeat the information in this prospectus supplement. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus supplement and later information that we file with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any future filings made with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act until this offering is completed:

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2015 filed on June 29, 2015;

our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on April 9, 2015 and July 21, 2015; and

the description of our Common Stock contained in the registration statement on Form 8-A, dated April 21, 2010, File No. 001-34711, and any other amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

Additionally, all reports and other documents subsequently filed by us pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, and 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of this prospectus supplement and prior to the termination or completion of this offering, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such reports and other documents. Any information that we subsequently file with the SEC that is incorporated by reference as described above will automatically update and supersede any previous information that is part of this prospectus supplement.

You may request a copy of the filings incorporated herein by reference, including exhibits to such documents that are specifically incorporated by reference, at no cost, by writing or calling us at the following address or telephone number:

China Jo-Jo Drugstores, Inc.
1st Floor, Yuzheng Plaza, No. 76,

Yuhuangshan Road, Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province

People’s Republic of China
Attn: Ming Zhao, Chief Financial Officer
+86 (571) 88077078

Statements contained in this prospectus supplement as to the contents of any contract or other documents are not necessarily complete, and in each instance you are referred to the copy of the contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the registration statement or incorporated herein, each such statement being qualified in all respects by such reference and the exhibits and schedules thereto.

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China Jo-Jo Drugstores, Inc.

\$30,000,000

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We may offer from time to time shares of our common stock, preferred stock, senior debt securities (which may be convertible into or exchangeable for common stock), subordinated debt securities (which may be convertible into or exchangeable for common stock), warrants, rights and units that include any of these securities. The aggregate initial offering price of the securities sold under this prospectus will not exceed \$30,000,000. We will offer the securities in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined at the time of the offering.

Each time we sell securities hereunder, we will attach a supplement to this prospectus that contains specific information about the terms of the offering, including the price at which we are offering the securities to the public. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained or incorporated in this prospectus. We may also authorize one or more free writing prospectuses to be provided to you in connection with these offerings. You should read this prospectus, the information incorporated by reference in this prospectus, the applicable prospectus supplement and any applicable free writing prospectus carefully before you invest in our securities.

The securities hereunder may be offered directly by us, through agents designated from time to time by us or to or through underwriters or dealers. If any agents, dealers or underwriters are involved in the sale of any securities, their names, and any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement between or among them will be set forth, or will be calculable from the information set forth, in the applicable prospectus supplement. See the section entitled "About This Prospectus" for more information.

Our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol CJJD.

Investing in securities involves certain risks. See “Risk Factors” beginning on page 5 of this prospectus and in the applicable prospectus supplement, as updated in our future filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus. You should carefully read and consider these risk factors before you invest in our securities.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is August 29, 2014.

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The distribution of this prospectus may be restricted by law in certain jurisdictions. You should inform yourself about and observe any of these restrictions. If you are in a jurisdiction where offers to sell, or solicitations of offers to purchase, the securities offered by this document are unlawful, or if you are a person to whom it is unlawful to direct these types of activities, then the offer presented in this prospectus does not extend to you.

We have not authorized anyone to give any information or make any representation about us that is different from, or in addition to, that contained in this prospectus, including in any of the materials that we have incorporated by reference into this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement, and any free writing prospectus prepared or authorized by us. Therefore, if anyone does give you information of this sort, you should not rely on it as authorized by us. You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement.

You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus and any accompanying supplement to this prospectus is accurate on any date subsequent to the date set forth on the front of the document or that any information we have incorporated by reference is correct on any date subsequent to the date of the document incorporated by reference, even though this prospectus and any accompanying supplement to this prospectus is delivered or securities are sold on a later date. Neither the delivery of this prospectus, nor any sale made hereunder, shall under any circumstances create any implication that there has been no change in our affairs since the date hereof or that the information incorporated by reference herein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of such information.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, using a “shelf” registration process. Under this shelf registration process, we may, from time to time, offer and sell any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings. The aggregate initial offering price of all securities sold under this prospectus will not exceed \$30,000,000.

This prospectus provides certain general information about the securities that we may offer hereunder. Each time we sell securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of the offering and the offered securities. We may also authorize one or more free writing prospectuses to be provided to you that may contain material information relating to these offerings. In each prospectus supplement, we will include the following information:

- the number and type of securities that we propose to sell;
- the public offering price;
- the names of any underwriters, agents or dealers through or to which the securities will be sold;
- any compensation of those underwriters, agents or dealers;
- any additional risk factors applicable to the securities or our business and operations; and
- any other material information about the offering and sale of the securities.

In addition, the prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus may also add, update or change the information contained in this prospectus or in documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus. The prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus will supersede this prospectus to the extent it contains information that is different from, or that conflicts with, the information contained in this prospectus or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. You should read and consider all information contained in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement and any free writing prospectus that we have authorized for use in connection with a specific offering, in making your investment decision. **You should also read and consider the information contained in the documents identified under the heading “Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference” and “Where You Can Find More Information” in this prospectus.**

Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms “the Company,” “we,” “us,” and “our” in this prospectus each refer to China Jo-Jo Drugstores, Inc., our subsidiaries and our consolidated entities. “China” and “the PRC” refer to the People’s Republic of China.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus may be “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), and Section 21E of the Exchange Act and may involve material risks, assumptions and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements typically are identified by the use of terms such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “believe,” “might,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “intend,” “estimate” and similar words, although some forward-looking statements are expressed differently.

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, these statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks and uncertainties that are difficult to predict and which may cause actual outcomes and results to differ materially from what is expressed or forecasted in such forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made and except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to publicly release the results of any revision or update of these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. If we do update or correct one or more forward-looking statements, you should not conclude that we will make additional updates or corrections with respect thereto or with respect to other forward-looking statements. A detailed discussion of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from our forward-looking statements is included in our periodic reports filed with the SEC and in the “Risk Factors” section of this prospectus.

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THE COMPANY

We were incorporated in Nevada on December 19, 2006, under the name “Kerrisdale Mining Corporation.” On September 17, 2009, we acquired control of Renovation Investment (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd., a limited liability company incorporated in Hong Kong on September 2, 2008 (“Renovation”), pursuant to a share exchange agreement. Renovation has no substantive operations of its own except for its holdings of Zhejiang Jiuxin Investment Management Co., Ltd. (“Jiuxin Management”), Zhejiang Shouantang Medical Technology Co., Ltd. (“Shouantang Technology”) and Hangzhou Jiutong Medical Technology Co., Ltd (“Jiutong Medical”), its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

On September 24, 2009, we amended our Articles of Incorporation to change our name from “Kerrisdale Mining Corporation” to “China Jo-Jo Drugstores, Inc.” We are a retail and wholesale distributor of pharmaceutical and other healthcare products in China.

Our Business

Our primary business is retail and wholesale distribution of pharmaceutical and other healthcare products typically found in a retail pharmacy in the PRC. We currently have fifty (50) store locations under the store brand “Jiuzhou Grand Pharmacy” in Hangzhou. Our stores provide customers with a wide variety of pharmaceutical products, including prescription and over-the-counter (“OTC”) drugs, nutritional supplements, traditional Chinese medicine (“TCM”), personal and family care products, and medical devices, as well as convenience products, including consumable, seasonal, and promotional items. Additionally, we have licensed doctors of both western medicine and TCM on site for consultation, examination and treatment of common ailments at scheduled hours.

We operate our pharmacies (including the medical clinics) through the following companies in China that we control through contractual arrangements:

Hangzhou Jiuzhou Grand Pharmacy Chain Co., Ltd. (“Jiuzhou Pharmacy”), which we control contractually, operates our “Jiuzhou Grand Pharmacy” stores;

Hangzhou Jiuzhou Clinic of Integrated Traditional and Western Medicine (General Partnership) (“Jiuzhou Clinic”), which we control contractually, operates one (1) of our two (2) medical clinics; and

Hangzhou Jiuzhou Medical & Public Health Service Co., Ltd. (“Jiuzhou Service”), which we control contractually, operates our other medical clinics. Jiuzhou Service established Hangzhou Shouantang Health Management Co. Ltd.

(“Shouantang Health”) in December 2013 and holds 51% equity interests in Shouantang Health.

We also retail OTC drugs and nutritional supplements through a website (www.dada360.com) that we operate through Zhejiang Shouantang Pharmaceutical Technology Co., Ltd. (“Shouantang Technology”), a wholly-owned subsidiary, and its subsidiary, Zhejiang Quannuo Internet Technology Co., Ltd. (“Quannuo Technology”). Quannuo Technology has an wholly-owned subsidiary, Hangzhou Quannuo Grand Pharmacy Co., Ltd. (“Hangzhou Quannuo”). For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014, retail revenue, including pharmacies, medical clinics and online sales, accounted for approximately 72.0% of our total revenue.

Since August 2011, we have operated a wholesale business through Zhejiang Jiuxin Medicine Co., Ltd. (“Jiuxin Medicine”), distributing third-party pharmaceutical products (similar to those carried by our pharmacies) primarily to trading companies throughout China. Jiuxin Medicine is wholly owned by Jiuzhou Pharmacy. For the fiscal year March 31, 2014, wholesale revenue accounted for approximately 28.0% of our total revenue.

We also have an herb farming business cultivating and wholesaling herbs used for TCM. This business is conducted through Hangzhou Qianhong Agriculture Development Co., Ltd. (“Qianhong Agriculture”), a wholly-owned subsidiary. During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014, we generated no revenue from our herb farming business.

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Corporate Structure

Our current corporate structure is set forth in the diagram below:

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Our Corporate Information

We are headquartered in Zhejiang Province in China. Our principal executive office is located at 1st Floor, Yuzheng Plaza, No. 76, Yuhuangshan Road, Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province, China, 310002. Our main telephone number is +86-571-8807-7078, and fax number is +86-571-8807-7108. Our website address is www.chinajodrugstores.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus and you should not consider information on our website to be part of this prospectus.

RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. Before making any investment decision, you should carefully consider the risk factors set forth below, the information under the caption “Risk Factors” in any applicable prospectus supplement, any related free writing prospectus that we may authorize to be provided to you and the information under the caption “Risk Factors” in our annual report on Form 10-K that is incorporated by reference in this prospectus, as updated by our subsequent filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

These risks could materially affect our business, results of operation or financial condition and affect the value of our securities. Additional risks and uncertainties that are not yet identified may also materially harm our business, operating results and financial condition and could result in a complete loss of your investment. You could lose all or part of your investment. For more information, see “Where You Can Find More Information.”

Risks Related to Our Securities and the Offering

Future sales or other dilution of our equity could depress the market price of our common stock.

Sales of our common stock, preferred stock, warrants, rights or convertible debt securities, or any combination of the foregoing, in the public market, or the perception that such sales could occur, could negatively impact the price of our common stock. We have a number of institutional and individual shareholders that own significant blocks of our common stock. If one or more of these shareholders were to sell large portions of their holdings in a relatively short time, for liquidity or other reasons, the prevailing market price of our common stock could be negatively affected.

In addition, the issuance of additional shares of our common stock, securities convertible into or exercisable for our common stock, other equity-linked securities, including preferred stock, warrants or rights or any combination of these securities pursuant to this prospectus will dilute the ownership interest of our common shareholders and could depress the market price of our common stock and impair our ability to raise capital through the sale of additional equity securities.

We may need to seek additional capital. If this additional financing is obtained through the issuance of equity securities, debt securities convertible into equity or options, warrants or rights to acquire equity securities, our existing shareholders could experience significant dilution upon the issuance, conversion or exercise of such securities.

Our management will have broad discretion over the use of the proceeds we receive from the sale our securities pursuant to this prospectus and might not apply the proceeds in ways that increase the value of your investment.

Our management will have broad discretion to use the net proceeds from any offerings under this prospectus, and you will be relying on the judgment of our management regarding the application of these proceeds. Except as described in any prospectus supplement or in any related free writing prospectus that we may authorize to be provided to you, the net proceeds received by us from our sale of the securities described in this prospectus will be added to our general funds and will be used for general corporate purposes. Our management might not apply the net proceeds from offerings of our securities in ways that increase the value of your investment and might not be able to yield a significant return, if any, on any investment of such net proceeds. You may not have the opportunity to influence our decisions on how to use such proceeds.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

Except as may be stated in the applicable prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus that we may authorize to be provided to you, we intend to use the net proceeds we receive from the sale of the securities offered by this prospectus for general corporate purposes, which may include, among other things, repayment of debt, repurchases of common stock, capital expenditures, the financing of possible acquisitions or business expansions, increasing our working capital and the financing of ongoing operating expenses and overhead.

DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The following is a summary of our capital stock and certain provisions of our articles of incorporation and bylaws. This summary does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the provisions of our articles of incorporation, as amended, our bylaws and applicable provisions of the laws of the State of Nevada.

See “Where You Can Find More Information” elsewhere in this prospectus for information on where you can obtain copies of our articles of incorporation and our bylaws, which have been filed with and are publicly available from the SEC.

Our authorized capital stock consists of 250,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$.001 per share, and 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$.001 per share. As of August 5, 2014, (i) 15,035,504 shares of common stock were issued and outstanding, (ii) no shares of preferred stock were issued and outstanding, and (iii) a stock option to purchase 105,000 shares of common stock and a warrant to purchase 150,000 shares of common stock were issued and outstanding, none of which were then exercisable.

DESCRIPTION OF COMMON STOCK

As of August 5, 2014, there were 15,035,504 shares of our common stock issued and outstanding, held by approximately 23 stockholders of record.

Our common stock is currently traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol “CJJD.”

The holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters submitted to a vote of our stockholders and do not have cumulative voting rights. Accordingly, holders of a majority of the shares of common stock entitled to vote in any election of directors may elect all of the directors standing for election. The holders of outstanding shares of common stock are entitled to receive ratably any dividends declared by our board of directors out of assets legally available. Upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, holders of our common stock are entitled to share ratably in all assets remaining after payment of liabilities and the liquidation preference of any then outstanding shares of preferred stock. Holders of common stock have no preemptive or conversion rights or other subscription rights. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to our common stock. The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, 6201 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11219, and its telephone number is (718) 921-8206.

All issued and outstanding shares of common stock are fully paid and non-assessable. Shares of our common stock that may be offered, from time to time, under this prospectus will be fully paid and non-assessable.

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DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED STOCK

As of August 8, 2014, no shares of preferred stock had been issued or were outstanding.

Our board of directors has the authority to issue up to 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock in one or more series and to determine the rights and preferences of the shares of any such series without stockholder approval. Our board of directors may issue preferred stock in one or more series and has the authority to fix the designation and powers, rights and preferences and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions with respect to each class or series of such class without further vote or action by the stockholders, unless action is required by applicable law or the rules of any stock exchange on which our securities may be listed. The ability of our board of directors to issue preferred stock without stockholder approval could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change of control of us or the removal of existing management. Further, our board of director may authorize the issuance of preferred stock with voting or conversion rights that could adversely affect the voting power or other rights of the holders of our common stock. Additionally, the issuance of preferred stock may have the effect of decreasing the market price of our common stock.

We will file as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, or will incorporate by reference from reports that we file with the SEC, the form of any certificate of designation that describes the terms of the series of preferred stock we are offering before the issuance of that series of preferred stock. This description will include, but not be limited to, the following:

the title and stated value;

the number of shares we are offering;

the liquidation preference per share;

the purchase price;

the dividend rate, period and payment date and method of calculation for dividends;

whether dividends will be cumulative or non-cumulative and, if cumulative, the date from which dividends will accumulate;

the provisions for a sinking fund, if any;

the provisions for redemption or repurchase, if applicable, and any restrictions on our ability to exercise those redemption and repurchase rights;

whether the preferred stock will be convertible into our common stock, and, if applicable, the conversion price, or how it will be calculated, and the conversion period;

whether the preferred stock will be exchangeable into debt securities, and, if applicable, the exchange price, or how it will be calculated, and the exchange period;

voting rights, if any, of the preferred stock;

preemptive rights, if any;

restrictions on transfer, sale or other assignment, if any;

a discussion of any material United States federal income tax considerations applicable to the preferred stock;

the relative ranking and preferences of the preferred stock as to dividend rights and rights if we liquidate, dissolve or wind up our affairs;

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any limitations on the issuance of any class or series of preferred stock ranking senior to or on a parity with the series of preferred stock as to dividend rights and rights if we liquidate, dissolve or wind up our affairs; and

any other specific terms, preferences, rights or limitations of, or restrictions on, the preferred stock.

DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

We may issue debt securities, in one or more series, as either senior or subordinated debt or as senior or subordinated convertible debt. When we offer to sell debt securities, we will describe the specific terms of any debt securities offered from time to time in a supplement to this prospectus, which may supplement or change the terms outlined below. Senior debt securities will be issued under one or more senior indentures, dated as of a date prior to such issuance, between us and a trustee to be named in a prospectus supplement, as amended or supplemented from time to time. Any subordinated debt securities will be issued under one or more subordinated indentures, dated as of a date prior to such issuance, between us and a trustee to be named in a prospectus supplement, as amended or supplemented from time to time. The indentures will be subject to and governed by the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

Before we issue any debt securities, the form of indentures will be filed with the SEC and incorporated by reference as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part or as an exhibit to a current report on Form 8-K. For the complete terms of the debt securities, you should refer to the applicable prospectus supplement and the form of indentures for those particular debt securities. We encourage you to read the applicable prospectus supplement and the form of indenture for those particular debt securities before you purchase any of our debt securities.

We will describe in the applicable prospectus supplement the terms of the series of debt securities being offered, including:

the title;

whether or not such debt securities are guaranteed;

the principal amount being offered, and if a series, the total amount authorized and the total amount outstanding;

any limit on the amount that may be issued;

whether or not we will issue the series of debt securities in global form, the terms and who the depositary will be;

the maturity date;

the annual interest rate, which may be fixed or variable, or the method for determining the rate and the date interest will begin to accrue, the dates interest will be payable and the regular record dates for interest payment dates or the method for determining such dates;

whether or not the debt securities will be secured or unsecured, and the terms of any secured debt;

the terms of the subordination of any series of subordinated debt;

the place where payments will be payable;

restrictions on transfer, sale or other assignment, if any;

our right, if any, to defer payment of interest and the maximum length of any such deferral period;

the date, if any, after which, and the price at which, we may, at our option, redeem the series of debt securities pursuant to any optional or provisional redemption provisions and the terms of those redemption provisions;

the date, if any, on which, and the price at which we are obligated, pursuant to any mandatory sinking fund or analogous fund provisions or otherwise, to redeem, or at the holder's option to purchase, the series of debt securities and the currency or currency unit in which the debt securities are payable;

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any restrictions our ability and/or the ability of our subsidiaries to:

incur additional indebtedness;

issue additional securities;

create liens;

pay dividends and make distributions in respect of our capital stock and the capital stock of our subsidiaries;

redeem capital stock;

place restrictions on our subsidiaries' ability to pay dividends, make distributions or transfer assets;

make investments or other restricted payments;

sell or otherwise dispose of assets;

enter into sale-leaseback transactions;

engage in transactions with stockholders and affiliates;

issue or sell stock of our subsidiaries; or

effect a consolidation or merger;

whether the indenture will require us to maintain any interest coverage, fixed charge, cash flow-based, asset-based or other financial ratios;

a discussion of any material United States federal income tax considerations applicable to the debt securities;

information describing any book-entry features;

provisions for a sinking fund purchase or other analogous fund, if any;

the denominations in which we will issue the series of debt securities;

the currency of payment of debt securities if other than U.S. dollars and the manner of determining the equivalent amount in U.S. dollars; and

any other specific terms, preferences, rights or limitations of, or restrictions on, the debt securities, including any additional events of default or covenants provided with respect to the debt securities, and any terms that may be required by us or advisable under applicable laws or regulations.

Conversion or Exchange Rights

We will set forth in the prospectus supplement the terms on which a series of debt securities may be convertible into or exchangeable for our common stock or our other securities. We will include provisions as to whether conversion or exchange is mandatory, at the option of the holder or at our option. We may include provisions pursuant to which the number of shares of our common stock or our other securities that the holders of the series of debt securities receive would be subject to adjustment.

DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS

We may issue warrants for the purchase of common stock, preferred stock and/or debt securities in one or more series. We may issue warrants independently or together with common stock, preferred stock and/or debt securities, and the warrants may be attached to or separate from these securities. While the terms summarized below will apply generally to any warrants that we may offer, we will describe the particular terms of any series of warrants in more detail in the applicable prospectus supplement. The terms of any warrants offered under a prospectus supplement may differ from the terms described below.

We will file as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, or will incorporate by reference from reports that we file with the SEC, the form of warrant agreement, including a form of warrant certificate, that describes the terms of the particular series of warrants we are offering before the issuance of the related series of warrants. The following summaries of material provisions of the warrants and the warrant agreements are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, all the provisions of the warrant agreement and warrant certificate applicable to the particular series of warrants that we may offer under this prospectus. We urge you to read the applicable prospectus supplements related to the particular series of warrants that we may offer under this prospectus, as well as any related free writing prospectuses, and the complete warrant agreements and warrant certificates that contain the terms of the warrants.

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General

We will describe in the applicable prospectus supplement the terms of the series of warrants being offered, including:

the offering price and aggregate number of warrants offered;

the currency for which the warrants may be purchased;

if applicable, the designation and terms of the securities with which the warrants are issued and the number of warrants issued with each such security or each principal amount of such security;

if applicable, the date on and after which the warrants and the related securities will be separately transferable;

in the case of warrants to purchase debt securities, the principal amount of debt securities purchasable upon exercise of one warrant and the price at, and currency in which, this principal amount of debt securities may be purchased upon such exercise;

in the case of warrants to purchase common stock or preferred stock, the number of shares of common stock or preferred stock, as the case may be, purchasable upon the exercise of one warrant and the price at which these shares may be purchased upon such exercise;

the effect of any merger, consolidation, sale or other disposition of our business on the warrant agreements and the warrants;

the terms of any rights to redeem or call the warrants;

any provisions for changes to or adjustments in the exercise price or number of securities issuable upon exercise of the warrants;

the dates on which the right to exercise the warrants will commence and expire;

the manner in which the warrant agreements and warrants may be modified;

a discussion of any material or special United States federal income tax consequences of holding or exercising the warrants;

the terms of the securities issuable upon exercise of the warrants; and

any other specific terms, preferences, rights or limitations of or restrictions on the warrants.

Before exercising their warrants, holders of warrants will not have any of the rights of holders of the securities purchasable upon such exercise, including:

in the case of warrants to purchase debt securities, the right to receive payments of principal of, or premium, if any, or interest on, the debt securities purchasable upon exercise or to enforce covenants in the applicable indenture; or

in the case of warrants to purchase common stock or preferred stock, the right to receive dividends, if any, or payments upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up or to exercise voting rights, if any.

Exercise of Warrants

Each warrant will entitle the holder to purchase the securities that we specify in the applicable prospectus supplement at the exercise price that we describe in the applicable prospectus supplement. Holders of the warrants may exercise the warrants at any time up to the specified time on the expiration date that we set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, unexercised warrants will become void.

Holders of the warrants may exercise the warrants by delivering the warrant certificate representing the warrants to be exercised together with specified information, and paying the required amount to the warrant agent in immediately available funds, as provided in the applicable prospectus supplement. We will set forth on the reverse side of the warrant certificate and in the applicable prospectus supplement the information that the holder of the warrant will be required to deliver to the warrant agent.

If fewer than all of the warrants represented by the warrant certificate are exercised, then we will issue a new warrant certificate for the remaining amount of warrants. If we so indicate in the applicable prospectus supplement, holders of the warrants may surrender securities as all or part of the exercise price for warrants.

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DESCRIPTION OF RIGHTS

We may issue rights to purchase our common stock or preferred stock, in one or more series. Rights may be issued independently or together with any other offered security and may or may not be transferable by the person purchasing or receiving the subscription rights. In connection with any rights offering to our stockholders, we may enter into a standby underwriting arrangement with one or more underwriters pursuant to which such underwriters will purchase any offered securities remaining unsubscribed after such rights offering. In connection with a rights offering to our stockholders, we will distribute certificates evidencing the rights and a prospectus supplement to our stockholders on the record date that we set for receiving rights in such rights offering. The applicable prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus will describe the following terms of rights in respect of which this prospectus is being delivered:

the title of such rights;

the securities for which such rights are exercisable;

the exercise price for such rights;

the date of determining the security holders entitled to the rights distribution;

the number of such rights issued to each security holder;

the extent to which such rights are transferable;

if applicable, a discussion of the material United States federal income tax considerations applicable to the issuance or exercise of such rights;

the date on which the right to exercise such rights shall commence, and the date on which such rights shall expire (subject to any extension);

the conditions to completion of the rights offering;

any provisions for changes to or adjustments in the exercise price or number of securities issuable upon exercise of the rights;

the extent to which such rights include an over-subscription privilege with respect to unsubscribed securities;

if applicable, the material terms of any standby underwriting or other purchase arrangement that we may enter into in connection with the rights offering; and

any other terms of such rights, including terms, procedures and limitations relating to the exchange and exercise of such rights.

Each right will entitle the holder thereof the right to purchase for cash such amount of shares of common stock or preferred stock, or any combination thereof, at such exercise price as shall in each case be set forth in, or be determinable as set forth in, the prospectus supplement relating to the rights offered thereby. Rights may be exercised at any time up to the close of business on the expiration date for such rights set forth in the prospectus supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, all unexercised rights will become void. Rights may be exercised as set forth in the prospectus supplement relating to the rights offered thereby. Upon receipt of payment and the proper completion and due execution of the rights certificate at the office of the rights agent, if any, or any other office indicated in the prospectus supplement, we will forward, as soon as practicable, the shares of common stock and/or preferred stock purchasable upon such exercise. We may determine to offer any unsubscribed offered securities directly to persons other than stockholders, to or through agents, underwriters or dealers or through a combination of such methods, including pursuant to standby underwriting arrangements, as set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement.

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DESCRIPTION OF UNITS

As specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, we may issue, in one more series, units consisting of common stock, preferred stock, debt securities and/or warrants or rights for the purchase of common stock, preferred stock and/or debt securities in any combination. The applicable prospectus supplement will describe:

the securities comprising the units, including whether and under what circumstances the securities comprising the units may be separately traded;

the terms and conditions applicable to the units, including a description of the terms of any applicable unit agreement governing the units; and

a description of the provisions for the payment, settlement, transfer or exchange of the units.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The securities covered by this prospectus may be offered and sold from time to time pursuant to one or more of the following methods:

through agents;

to or through underwriters;

to or through broker-dealers (acting as agent or principal);

in “at the market offerings” within the meaning of Rule 415(a)(4) of the Securities Act, to or through a market maker or into an existing trading market, on an exchange, or otherwise;

directly to purchasers, through a specific bidding or auction process or otherwise; or

through a combination of any such methods of sale.

Agents, underwriters or broker-dealers may be paid compensation for offering and selling the securities. That compensation may be in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions to be received from us, from the purchasers of the securities or from both us and the purchasers. Any underwriters, dealers, agents or other investors participating in the distribution of the securities may be deemed to be “underwriters,” as that term is defined in the Securities Act, and compensation and profits received by them on sale of the securities may be deemed to be underwriting commissions, as that term is defined in the rules promulgated under the Securities Act.

Each time securities are offered by this prospectus, the prospectus supplement, if required, will set forth:

the name of any underwriter, dealer or agent involved in the offer and sale of the securities;

the terms of the offering;

any discounts concessions or commissions and other items constituting compensation received by the underwriters, broker-dealers or agents;

any over-allotment option under which any underwriters may purchase additional securities from us; and

any initial public offering price.

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The securities may be sold at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices relating to the prevailing market prices or at negotiated prices. The distribution of securities may be effected from time to time in one or more transactions, by means of one or more of the following transactions, which may include cross or block trades:

transactions on the NASDAQ Capital Market or any other organized market where the securities may be traded;

in the over-the-counter market;

in negotiated transactions;

under delayed delivery contracts or other contractual commitments; or

a combination of such methods of sale.

If underwriters are used in a sale, securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions. Our securities may be offered to the public either through underwriting syndicates represented by one or more managing underwriters or directly by one or more firms acting as underwriters. If an underwriter or underwriters are used in the sale of securities, an underwriting agreement will be executed with the underwriter or underwriters at the time an agreement for the sale is reached. This prospectus and the prospectus supplement will be used by the underwriters to resell the shares of our securities.

In compliance with the guidelines of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, or FINRA, the aggregate maximum discount, commission or agency fees or other items constituting underwriting compensation to be received by any FINRA member or independent broker-dealer will not exceed 8% of the offering proceeds from any offering pursuant to this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement.

If 5% or more of the net proceeds of any offering of our securities made under this prospectus will be received by a FINRA member participating in the offering or affiliates or associated persons of such FINRA member, the offering will be conducted in accordance with FINRA Rule 5121.

To comply with the securities laws of certain states, if applicable, the securities offered by this prospectus will be offered and sold in those states only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers.

Agents, underwriters and dealers may be entitled under agreements entered into with us to indemnification by us against specified liabilities, including liabilities incurred under the Securities Act, or to contribution by us to payments they may be required to make in respect of such liabilities. The prospectus supplement will describe the terms and

conditions of such indemnification or contribution. Some of the agents, underwriters or dealers, or their respective affiliates, may be customers of, engage in transactions with or perform services for us in the ordinary course of business. We will describe in the prospectus supplement naming the underwriter the nature of any such relationship.

Certain persons participating in the offering may engage in over-allotment, stabilizing transactions, short-covering transactions and penalty bids in accordance with Regulation M under the Exchange Act. We make no representation or prediction as to the direction or magnitude of any effect that such transactions may have on the price of the securities. For a description of these activities, see the information under the heading "Underwriting" in the applicable prospectus supplement.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the securities offered in this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Pryor Cashman LLP.

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EXPERTS

Our consolidated financial statements as of March 31, 2014 and 2013, and for each of the years in the two-year period ended March 31, 2014, have been incorporated by reference in the registration statement in reliance on the report of Friedman LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to “incorporate by reference” the information we file with them into this prospectus. This means that we can disclose important information about us and our financial condition to you by referring you to another document filed separately with the SEC instead of having to repeat the information in this prospectus. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus and later information that we file with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. This prospectus incorporates by reference any future filings made with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, between the date of the initial registration statement and prior to effectiveness of the registration statement and the documents listed below that we have previously filed with the SEC:

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2014, filed with the SEC on June 27, 2014; and

the description of our common stock contained in the registration statement on Form 8-A, dated April 21, 2010, File No. 001-34711, and any other amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

We also incorporate by reference all documents that we file with the SEC on or after the effective time of this prospectus pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and prior to the sale of all the securities registered hereunder or the termination of the registration statement. Nothing in this prospectus shall be deemed to incorporate information furnished but not filed with the SEC.

Any statement contained in this prospectus or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein or in the applicable prospectus supplement or in any other subsequently filed document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference modifies or supersedes the statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

You may request a copy of the filings incorporated herein by reference, including exhibits to such documents that are specifically incorporated by reference, at no cost, by writing or calling us at the following address or telephone number:

China Jo-Jo Drugstores, Inc.
1st Floor, Yuzheng Plaza, No. 76,
Yuhuangshan Road, Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province
People's Republic of China 310002
(86 - 571) 82239856

Statements contained in this prospectus as to the contents of any contract or other documents are not necessarily complete, and in each instance you are referred to the copy of the contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the registration statement or incorporated herein, each such statement being qualified in all respects by such reference and the exhibits and schedules thereto.

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WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the SEC registering the securities that may be offered and sold hereunder. The registration statement, including exhibits thereto, contains additional relevant information about us and these securities, as permitted by the rules and regulations of the SEC, we have not included in this prospectus. A copy of the registration statement can be obtained at the address set forth below or at the SEC's website as noted below. You should read the registration statement, including any applicable prospectus supplement, for further information about us and these securities.

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available to the public over the Internet at the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. You may also read and copy any document we file at the SEC's public reference room, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference room. Because our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market, you may also inspect reports, proxy statements and other information at the offices of the NASDAQ Capital Market.

CHINA JO-JO DRUGSTORES, INC.

1,200,000 Shares of Common Stock

**and
Warrants to purchase up to 600,000 Shares of Common Stock**

PROSPECTUS

July 21, 2015