



Board of Pharmacy

Executive Director Report December 2024

Licensing

License Type	Active	Detail	Renewal	Issued Last 30 Days
Pharmacist	23,513	Emeritus – 295		57
Pharmacy Intern	2,825			19
Pharmacy Technician	26,682	Trainee – 5,868 Registered – 8,319 Certified – 12,495 Active/Restricted – 34		655
Terminal Distributor	22,681			114
Drug Distributor	2,259			14
Home Medical Equipment	822	License – 163 Registration – 659		3

**Counts as of 12/5/2024*

Compliance

STATISTICS

In-Take Panel Statistics

Cases Assigned	10/01	10/04	10/11	10/15	10/18	10/22	10/25	10/29
Consumer Complaint	6	8	4	6	5	9	5	2
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	1	1	3	1	2		3	
MMJ Consumer Complaint								
Questionable Dispensing		1	2		2	1		1
Working Conditions/Minimum Standards	3	1	1	1		1		1
Error in Dispensing	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	2
Questionable Administration			1					
Violation of Patient Confidentiality			1					
Illegal Processing of Drug Documents		1					1	
Trafficking in Drugs								
Background Investigation							1	
Fraud			1					
Adulterated Drugs								
Operating Without a License		1				1		1
Practicing Pharmacy Without a License	1				1			
Theft of Drugs			1			1		
OARRS Complaint								
Deception to Obtain	1					2		
Failure to Perform DUR						1		
Error in Administration				1		1		
Intelligence Information	5		2					
Total	18	15	17	10	12	18	11	6

All Open Cases	New Cases Opened in Past 30 Days (October)	Number of Summary Suspensions in October	Cases Closed in Past 30 Days (October)
486	205	1	286

Top 10 Cases Opened in October 2024

Case Type	Cases Opened
Suspicious Purchases	48
Drug Security	25
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	23
Error in Dispensing	22
Background Investigation	20
Theft of Drugs	14
Lost in Transit	12
Practicing Pharmacy w/o a License	9
Questionable Dispensing	9
Working Conditions/Minimum Standards	8

Investigations Summary

Monthly Investigations Summary	Total
Current cases open (As of December 2, 2024)	486
Cases opened (October 2024)	205
Complaints received	107
Cases opened from complaints (Intake)	60
Cases opened in the field (Self-Initiated)	61
Admin. cases referred to OBP Legal Department	37
Civil forfeitures received	-
Court orders received	1
Criminal convictions	3
Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (ILC)	4
Criminal indictments	-
Search warrants executed	-
Summary Suspension	1
Monthly Inspection Summary	Total
Inspections completed	332
Written warnings issued	98

Notable Investigative Events

- Nothing notable to report

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FISCAL

FY25

Fund	Appropriation	Year-to-date Expenditures	Encumbered	Unexpended
OARRS Grants (3HD0)	\$ 1,765,000	\$ 795,035	\$ 84,697	\$ 885,268
Medicaid/OARRS Integration (3HH0)	\$ 1,393,000	\$ 498,524	\$ -	\$ 894,476
Equitable Sharing Treasury (3HM0)	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000
Equitable Sharing Justice (3HN0)	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,000
Law Enforcement Fund (4A50)	\$ 50,000	\$ 5,447	\$ 12,731	\$ 31,822
Operating (4K90)	\$ 13,931,300	\$ 5,185,359	\$ 1,322,361	\$ 7,423,580
Drug Database Fund (5SG0)	\$ 2,235,000	\$ 1,858,319	\$ 137,683	\$ 238,998
All Funds Total	\$ 19,409,300	\$ 8,342,684	\$ 1,557,472	\$ 9,509,144

COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH

- Executive Director Schierholt participated in the following:
 - NABP Member Forum in Illinois (Mindy Ferris in attendance as well)
 - NABP December Meeting in Illinois
 - Controlled Substances Advisory Committee Meeting
 - Legacy Pain Meeting with state leaders
 - BOP attended various meetings with the Governor's office

Policy and Communications

HIGHLIGHTS

- HB73 AUTHORIZE PRESCRIBING OFF-LABEL DRUGS** (GROSS J, LOYCHIK M) To authorize the prescribing of off-label drugs and if prescribed, to require their dispensing and to name this act the Dave and Angie Patient and Health Provider Protection Act.
Current Status: 6/12/2024 – Senate Health, (Third Hearing)
- HB80 PHARMACIST CARE** (LIPPS S) Regarding pharmacist care.
Current Status: 2/28/2023 - Referred to Committee House Health Provider Services
- HB92 SAVE OHIO SAFE RX** (YOUNG T, SANTUCCI N) To establish the Canadian Prescription Drug Importation Program, to name this act the Save Ohio Safe Rx Act, and to make an appropriation.
Current Status: 6/12/2024 – House Public Health Policy, (Third Hearing)
- HB136 REMOTE DISPENSING PHARMACIES** (HOLMES A, STEWART B) To authorize the operation of remote dispensing pharmacies.
Current Status: 12/5/2023 - House Health Provider Services, (Third Hearing)
- HB156 PHYSICIAN-ADMINISTERED DRUGS** (MANNING G, OELSLAGER S) To amend the law related to physician-administered drugs.
Current Status: 12/6/2023 – House Insurance, (First Hearing)
- HB257 VIRTUAL MEETINGS FOR PUBLIC BODIES** (HOOPS J, CLAGGETT T) To authorize certain public bodies to meet virtually.
Current Status: 11/13/2024 - Senate Government Oversight, (Third Hearing)
- SB9 LAW CHANGES-MEDICAL MARIJUANA** (HUFFMAN S, SCHURING K) To amend the law related to medical marijuana.
Current Status: 5/16/2023 - Senate General Government, (Seventh Hearing)
- SB95 REMOTE DISPENSING PHARMACY OPERATIONS** (REYNOLDS M) To authorize the operation of remote dispensing pharmacies.
Current Status: 12/3/2024 – House Health Provider Services, (Second Hearing)
- SB103 REGARDING KRATOM PRODUCT SALES** (BLESSING III L) Regarding sales of kratom products.
Current Status: 11/15/2023 - Senate Health, (Third Hearing)
- SB144 REGARDING IMMUNIZATIONS BY PHARMACISTS** (ROMANCHUK M) Regarding immunizations administered by pharmacists, pharmacy interns, and pharmacy technicians; regarding certificates of need and change of operator procedures for nursing homes; regarding the per Medicaid day payment rate for specified ICFs/IID; regarding medication aides and certified nurse aides, including competency evaluation programs and training and competency evaluation programs; regarding nursing home quality improvement projects; regarding conditional employment in homes and adult day care programs; regarding grants provided to adult day care providers; and regarding the Ohio Medical Quality Foundation.
Current Status: 7/25/2024 – **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; appropriation provision eff. immediately, others eff. 90 days

Fentanyl Test Strip Distribution

Total Number of Strips Distributed	Number of FTS Training Handouts Distributed
182,663*	124,700**

(*Includes 20,000 strips distributed at the Ohio Council of Behavioral Health and Family Services Providers 2023 Conference; 20,000 strips distributed at the Ohio EMS Medical Director’s Conference; 50 strips distributed at the 2024 ONIC Law Enforcement Drug Summit Networking Event; 8 strips distributed at the 2024 Lyndhurst PD event; and 5 strips distributed to licensees signed up for the OARRS Early Intervention Program.)

(**Some locations did not order handouts or ordered less than the strips they requested.)