



SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

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South Dakota Board Welcomes Newly Registered Pharmacists and Pharmacies

Congratulations to the following 11 candidates who recently met licensure requirements and were licensed as new pharmacists in South Dakota: Donna Cook, Nathan Imre, Tram Le, Ashley Lewis, Phillip Morris, Kelli Myers, Katelyn Olsen, Alexander Rada, Aneesh Sawlani, Debra Stewart, and Heather Tiernan.

There were no new South Dakota full-time pharmacy licenses issued during this period. There was one new South Dakota part-time pharmacy license issued: Avera McKennan, dba Avera Long-Term Care Pharmacy Nexsys ADC #8, Custer, SD, License #200-1762. There were no new South Dakota wholesaler licenses issued during this period.

Board Welcomes New Member

Governor Kristi Noem appointed pharmacist Shane Clarambeau of Fort Pierre, SD, to the South Dakota Board of Pharmacy on February 2, 2024. The Board is excited to have him join us! Shane is a Chamberlain, SD, native, who has served in the United States Army and the South Dakota National Guard and worked in a variety of pharmacy settings in three states, including retail, hospital, and compounding. Shane opened his first pharmacy in 2005 and has owned up to five stores. He currently owns Shane's Pharmacy in Fort Pierre, which has a functional medicine focus. Shane and his wife, Jody, have five children and enjoy a variety of outdoor activities

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and traveling. Shane replaces Dan Somsen of Yankton, SD. Dan had served the Board selflessly and with remarkable insight since November 2016. Dan always brought a valuable viewpoint to the table on the big issues facing the Board. The Board appreciates Dan's exemplary service and will miss his thoughtfulness, Jackrabbit loyalty, and entertaining sense of humor.

Donated Drug and Medical Supply Redispensing Program

By Tyler Laetsch, Pharmacy Inspector

The Board has officially launched the donated drug and medical supply redispensing program passed by the legislature in 2022. Information about this program can be found on the Board's website by clicking [here](#). The website includes the forms needed for pharmacies, access to South Dakota Codified Laws 34-20H and Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) 20:51:35, a link to the medications currently available for dispensing, and a list of participating pharmacies. South Dakota pharmacies are encouraged to sign up to join the program as a participating pharmacy. The Board has partnered with Optum Perks to provide participating pharmacies with claim submission information to help the Board track the use of the program and provide the pharmacies with a way to ensure that these medications are dispensed with the correct National Drug Code but remain free of charge to patients. You can read the press release by Optum Perks [here](#). Special thanks to Avera Specialty Pharmacy for establishing a pilot program over the last several years. In 2023, the Avera Specialty Pharmacy redispensed 72 donated medications valued over \$740,000 (AWP). This is a monumental program that has the potential to assist many more South Dakota patients and prevent medication waste. If your pharmacy would like to know more about the program, please contact the Board office.

PDMP Update

By Melissa DeNoon, PDMP Director

Prescription drug monitoring program (PDMP) data integrity means ensuring the accuracy of PDMP data. This is critically important since the PDMP is a tool that aids health care practitioners in clinical decision making impacting patient care. Database errors fall into two categories, dispensation records in the database and those not in the database. South Dakota law requires the correction of erroneous information found in the database. The Pharmacy Inspector Audit Project was piloted in 2023 and has continued with all 2024 pharmacy inspections. Each pharmacy inspector will audit 10 controlled substance prescriptions to verify if the information on the prescription hard copy or electronic prescription record matches what is in the PDMP database. Pharmacists-in-charge (PICs) will be notified of errors by PDMP staff and given a time frame to make necessary corrections. The most common errors found are incorrect Drug Enforcement Administration numbers (incorrect prescriber) and incorrect written date. In August 2023, PIC error report notifications were rolled out, which inform PICs of their dispensation records that are in error status and were unable to be submitted into the PDMP database. Since these errored prescriptions will be missing from patient reports, the needed corrections should be made as timely as possible by the PIC. Both types of database errors can now

be corrected by PICs within their PMP AWARxE accounts under the Rx Management feature. If you are a PIC and would like more information on utilizing this feature, please send an email to sdpdmp@state.sd.us.

Free PMP CPE for All Pharmacy Staff

By Melissa DeNoon, PDMP Director

The National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities and 12 state prescription drug monitoring program (PDMP) collaborated on a free continuing pharmacy education (CPE) course for pharmacy technicians and pharmacists. The one-hour CPE course is intended to help pharmacy staff understand the critical role they play in ensuring the quality and integrity of PMP data that is used in clinical decision making. This course is hosted on the Talem Health website via this [link](#), and PDMP staff encourage all South Dakota pharmacy staff to take the course.

ARSD 20:51 Rule Revisions

The rule revisions that were provided to interested parties were not approved by the Governor Noem's office when the Health Department requested the prescribed approval. They ultimately did not meet the deadline for the Interim Rules Review Committee meeting in November. Subsequently, the rules are still in draft form and moving forward process to promulgation. The rules hearing is scheduled for April 12, 2024 at 2 PM in the Board Conference Room, Suite 202. All information may be found on the Boards and Commissions Portal at [Boards and Commissions \(sd.gov\)](#).

Pharmacy License Renewals Starting Soon

In early May, reminders will go out regarding full-time, part-time, and nonresident license renewals. Please be sure to complete them in a timely manner and provide all required documentation for the Board to ensure that everyone is licensed prior to the June 30 expiration date. If your license has not been processed by June 30, 2024, operating the pharmacy is subject to Board disciplinary actions.

Board Meeting Dates

Please check the Board of Pharmacy page on the [Boards and Commissions Portal](#) for the time, location, and agenda of future Board meetings.

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