

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

*Newsletter to Promote Pharmacy
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South Dakota Board Welcomes Newly Licensed Pharmacists, In-State Pharmacies, and Wholesalers

Congratulations to the following 12 candidates who recently met licensure requirements and were licensed as new pharmacists in South Dakota: Kristine Belanger, Sunita Devgon, Sharon Engel, Karen Gams, Nicole Gardner, Brandon Groenhagen, Candace Jones, Matthew Moseley,

Alyssa Real, Aakash Shah, Teri Swenson, and Najibullah Wardak.

One South Dakota full-time pharmacy license was issued to Coborn's, Inc, in Aberdeen, SD, License #100-2100, along with one South Dakota wholesaler, Owens & Minor Distribution, Inc, in Sioux Falls, SD, License #600-3739.

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Pharmacist License Renewals

This is a reminder that the renewal period for pharmacist licensure opens on August 1, 2025. Pharmacist licenses must be renewed annually by September 30.

You can find renewal information at <https://doh.sd.gov/licensing-and-records/boards/pharmacy/licensing-requirements/pharmacists/>.



Updates to SDCL 36-11 and SDCL 36-11A

As of July 1, 2025, updates to South Dakota Codified Laws (SDCL) related to pharmacy practice have taken effect. One change pertains to the late fee for pharmacists, pharmacies, and wholesalers. If the license for a pharmacist, pharmacy, or

wholesaler is not renewed by the deadline for each license type, a \$50 late fee will be applied. In addition to the late fee, the South Dakota Board of Pharmacy is working on a rule update package that includes increasing the wholesale license fee to \$500. This


fee increase is in response to the law update that was passed by the legislature this spring. Visit <https://doh.sd.gov/news-statutes/statutes-rules/licensing-boards-statutes-rules/> to see the laws and rules for pharmacy.

Updates to ARSD 20:51 and ARSD 20:67

The Board is currently working on a rule update package that will include increasing wholesaler fees, technician certification requirements, updates to emergency kits in nursing

facilities, and other updates discussed at previous Board meetings. These rule updates relate to Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) 20:51 and ARSD 20:57 and will be available

on the [Board's website](#). You can also stay informed of any updates by signing up for the [Listserv](#) on the Board's home page



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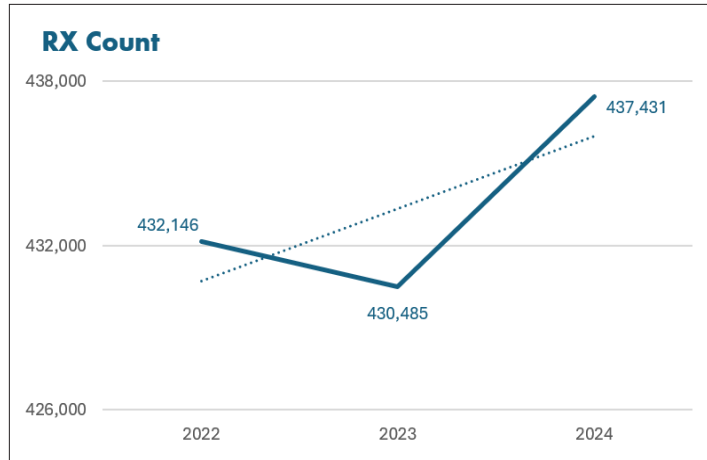
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PDMP Update

By Melissa DeNoon, PDMP Director

Trending Opioid Prescriptions to SD Patients



These graphs show trends in opioid prescriptions dispensed to South Dakota patients over the last three years – 2022, 2023, and 2024:

- The prescription count has increased slightly.
- The total quantity dispensed has decreased overall and is almost level over the prior two years.
- The total days of supply has increased.

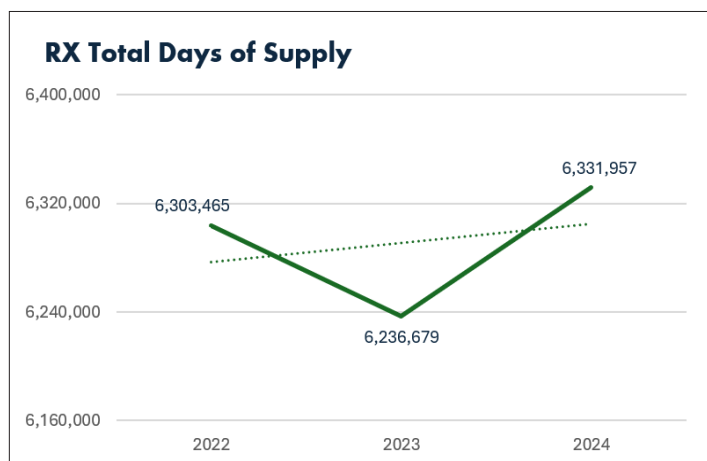
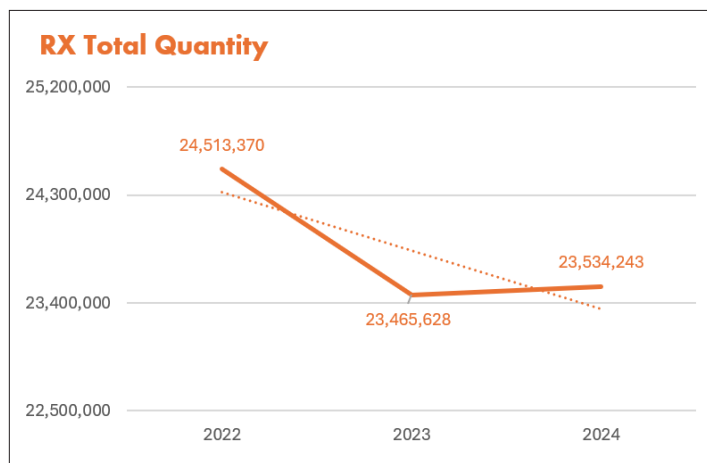
These trends suggest:

- 1) opioid prescriptions in South Dakota may have reached the level required to ensure that appropriate pharmaceutical therapy is being provided to South Dakota citizens, and
- 2) past inappropriate prescribing and overprescribing have been identified and addressed with the use of the prescription drug monitoring program (PDMP), as is shown by quantity and days of supply trends.

As a point of reference, these three metrics included the following in 2015:

- 1) prescription count equaled almost 710,000, so there has been a 38% decrease to 2024;
- 2) total quantity dispensed equaled almost 51 million doses, so there has been a 54% decrease to 2024; and
- 3) total days of supply equaled almost 12 million days, so there has been a 47% decrease to 2024.

Efforts must be maintained, including ongoing promotion of PDMP utilization, to continue the perceived successes shown by these decreased metrics over the past 10 years.



Board Meeting Dates

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

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