

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

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South Dakota Board Welcomes Newly Licensed Pharmacists, In-State Pharmacies, and Wholesalers

Congratulations to the following 67 candidates who recently met licensure requirements and were licensed as new pharmacists in South Dakota: Abby Abraham, Brock Anderson, Bryce Arends, Whitney Austin, Ruth Black, Nicholas Borchardt, Jane Brainard, Kyle Butzke, Clifford Chen, David Delahoyde, Madisen Dixon, Andrew Doan, Anah Flor, Sunny Forrest, Emily Haberer, Madison Hamel, Hannah Van Heek, Kylie Heitkamp, Aubrey Holdridge, Brooklyn Huberty, Sikiratu Idowu, Race Jacobson, Brooklyn Janz, Tristan Knottnerus, Rylee Kuntz, Austin Manuell, Abbigayle Mausbach, Orion McCartney, Rebecca Morgan, Trenton Myers, Lisa Narveson, Hollee Niehus, Grace Nielsen, Desiree O'Farrell, Anjali Parmar, Krisli Ann Perez, Jesse Pevear IV,

Jessica Pfeifer, Stephanie Prokop, Elise Rasmussen, Madelyn Reinke, Kara Rich, Abigail Riesgraf, Lauren Rihaneck, Parker Roerig, Asia Sanders, Anna Schelonka, Ethan Schultz, Shannon Semenko, Mary Sieve, Brittany Slettedahl, Jillian Songstad, Sarah Sorensen, Shane Spurlock, McCall Stegenga, Bria Sutton, Catherean Thai, Itza Thomallari, Amanda Throckmorton, Luke Throckmorton, Cody Vaselaar, Madison Voelker, Gabriella Volmer, Joshua Welch, Jonah Wendling, Tucker Wieneke, and Macy Winslow.

Two South Dakota full-time pharmacy licenses were issued to Genoa Healthcare, LLC, in Yankton, SD, 100-2101, and Black Hills Pharmacy, Inc, in Deadwood, SD, 100-2102.

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By Jenna Heyen, Pharmacy Inspector

With the recent updates to South Dakota Codified Laws (SDCL) 36-11 and SDCL 36-11A, a rules review was required. Along with the areas that required change, the South Dakota Board of Pharmacy took the opportunity to review all Board of Pharmacy rules for any additional updates or changes that were needed. An interim rules committee hearing was completed on August 19, 2025. The approved rules were filed with the Secretary of State following the hearing and became effective on September 15, 2025.

Nearly 100 sections within Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) 20:51 and ARSD 20:67 were edited. Legal language for rule writing has evolved, and a large portion of the edits included language and phrasing, such as changing “permit” to “license.” There were also several citation updates added throughout. The sections with changes that do not have a significant practice impact will not be reviewed below.

Pharmacist Licensure and Intern Requirements: ARSD 20:51:01 and ARSD 20:51:02

- Required hours of practical experience for licensure as a pharmacist have been changed from 2,000 hours to 1,600 hours, as noted in ARSD 20:51:02:12.01. This change was made to be consistent with the hours obtained from an Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)-accredited college of pharmacy.
- The requirement to provide intern hours for a pharmacist licensure application has also been removed from ARSD 20:51:01:03, as an ACPE-accredited school’s transcript ensures the practical experience requirement has been met.
- With the changes noted above, report submissions at the end of each practical experience are no longer required (ARSD 20:51:02:08 was repealed), and there is no form required to be signed by a pharmacist providing supervision to an intern (ARSD 20:51:02:11).

- If an applicant for a pharmacist license is a foreign graduate, then compliance with ARSD 20:51:02:07 regarding an affidavit for each practical experience is required.
- There was clarifying language added to the eligibility requirements for registration as an intern with the Board, which is outlined in ARSD 20:51:02:04.

Licensure by Reciprocity: ARSD 20:51:04

- A previous requirement for reciprocity licensure was an initial registration fee of \$35 and \$150 for the reciprocating pharmacist application. The \$35 fee requirement has been removed, so only a \$150 fee is required for the reciprocity license application, as outlined in ARSD 20:51:04:01.

Repackaging and Redispensing: ARSD 20:51:13

- The first update to this section removed language that allowed only a single dispensing for a unit dose or unit of issue drug under ARSD 20:51:13:02.03. With the changes, a medication may be redispensed more than once, as long as the other conditions in this section are met and maintained through the dispensing process.
- In addition, language was removed from ARSD 20:51:13:02.04 that put limits on prescriptions from a traditional dispensing system being placed into unit dose or unit of issue packaging. Clarification was added to ensure that items that are repackaged do “not exceed the shorter of one year from” packaging or the manufacturer’s expiration date.

Remote Pick-Up Sites: ARSD 20:51:13:05

- A proposed section was included in the draft rules update but did not get approved out of the interim rule-making committee. This section is currently listed as “reserved” and is not active in the rules chapter. The Board will review the next steps for remote pick-up sites at its meeting in October 2025.

Off-Site Medication Control: ARSD 20:51:13:06

- A new section has been added regarding off-site medication control in a hospital or medical clinic. The goal of this section is to allow access to medications in a hospital or medical clinic when access to a pharmacy is limited. Under this rule, the providing pharmacy retains ownership of the medication and needs to ensure that proper storage and record keeping are maintained. To maintain off-site medication, a pharmacy must get approval from the Board. A site will need to submit information that ensures they are meeting the aspects required in the section.

Pharmacies in Hospitals, Nursing Facilities, or Related Facilities: ARSD 20:51:15

- ARSD 20:51:15:07, Preparing a solution, has been removed, as it is within the scope of nursing practice, so removal from the Board of Pharmacy rule is appropriate.
- Overall, ARSD 20:51:15:15 was simplified, but it also adds expectations related to inspections for pharmacies providing emergency medications. The provider pharmacy must ensure that medication stored as emergency medication is inspected monthly and documentation of inspection is maintained at the provider pharmacy where it is available for inspection by the Board.
- More dramatic changes were made to ARSD 20:51:15:15.01, which provides guidance on emergency kits in a nursing facility. When it comes to the quantity of controlled substances (CS) that may be stored in an emergency kit, the newly edited rule allows for 10 different controlled drugs and no more than 20 doses of any controlled drug. Please note that the previous guidance for CS for emergency use was governed by ARSD 44:58:07:09 and ARSD 44:73:08:11. In addition, the requirement for licensing automated medication distribution devices being used as an emergency kit or for the supply of first-dose medications as a pharmacy has been removed.

Administration of Immunizations: ARSD 20:51:28

- A new addition has been made for certified technicians who are providing immunizations. If a certified technician is providing immunizations, they are required to complete one hour of continuing education (CE) related to immunizations annually, which is outlined in ARSD 20:51:28.

Pharmacy Technicians: ARSD 20:51:29

- In fall 2024, the Board voted to change the certification requirement for technicians. To formalize this change, the chapter relating to technicians was heavily revised. Going forward, technicians in South Dakota will register with the Board as a technician or certified technician. All references to grandfathered technician and technician-in-training have been removed from ARSD 20:51:29.
- A new requirement for those registered as technicians is outlined in ARSD 20:51:29:13. Those registering as technicians must show proof of completion of six hours of CE within the last 24 months that have not been previously counted as required CE for renewal. The CE requirement will be enforced for 2026 registrations. This CE requirement does not apply to those registering as certified technicians, but, for registration, they must provide proof of national certification.

Telepharmacy: ARSD 20:51:30

- Since registration and CE requirements for technicians were being reviewed, the requirements for technician training related to working in a telepharmacy were also edited. Prior to the new changes, a certified technician needed to have 2,000 hours of experience as a registered pharmacy technician, and 1,000 hours were required to be in the telepharmacy with an on-site pharmacist. The training requirements in ARSD 20:51:30:12 have been changed to require 1,000 hours of experience as a registered pharmacy technician. Of those hours, 500 must be in the central pharmacy or the remote

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pharmacy with an on-site pharmacist, pharmacy intern, or another certified pharmacy technician. The requirement that a registered pharmacy technician be certified prior to working in a remote pharmacy has not changed.

- Another minor change in the telepharmacy rules is found in ARSD 21:51:30:09. This section previously stated that the dispensing area was posted as a restricted access area. That posting requirement has been removed, but a notation that the prescription department must be limited to authorized pharmacy personnel is included.

Wholesale Licensure and Nonresident Licensure: ARSD 20:51:27 and ARSD 20:67

- For licensure of wholesalers and other nonresidents, language in ARSD 20:51:27:02 and ARSD 20:67:02:10 indicates that an on-site inspection within the last four years is required. That inspection may be completed by the home state, Food and Drug

Administration, or an accrediting agency approved by the Board. This language was added to provide clarity regarding requirements for those applying for licensure.

- Lastly, for wholesale or other distributors, the application must be accompanied by a \$500 fee, as noted in ARSD 20:67:02:01, which is an increase from the previous \$250 fee.

Complaint Procedures: SDCL 36-1C

- Complaint procedures were previously governed by Chapter 20:51:33. The complaint process has been standardized for the state of South Dakota, and it is now located in SDCL 36-1C.

The purpose of this article is to review the key changes that were made to ARSD 20:51 and ARSD 20:67. Please contact the Board office for questions or clarifications related to the changes as part of this recent rule update.



PDMP Update

By Melissa DeNoon, PDMP Director

The South Dakota Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) is excited to announce that as of August 5, 2025, patient reports viewed via an integration have been able to include the prescription sold date. Users will find this sold date in the column labeled “Sold” within the Prescription table of the patient report, in addition to the written and filled dates. The sold date is now available on patient reports viewed in both PMP AWARe (the web-based platform) and Gateway integrations with electronic health record platforms and pharmacy

management systems. Please note that the sold date is not a state-required dispenser data submission field; therefore, not every prescription on a patient report may include this date. If a prescription on a patient’s report does not include the sold date, verification of its sold status should be verified with the dispensing pharmacy. This addition to integrated patient reports has received very positive feedback. Please contact PDMP staff with any questions at sdpdmp@state.sd.us or 605/362-2737.

Board Meeting Dates

Please check the [Boards and Commissions portal](#) for the time, location, and agenda for future Board meetings.

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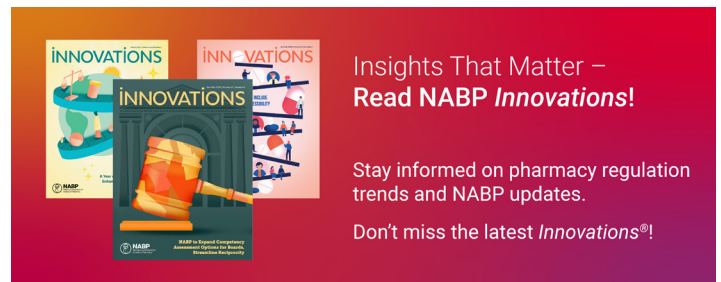
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