



Board of Pharmacy

Executive Director Report April 2026

Licensing

License Type	Active	Detail	Renewal	Issued Last 30 Days
Pharmacist	23,534	Emeritus - 595		70
Pharmacy Intern	2,373			15
Pharmacy Technician	28,877	Trainee - 7,291 Registered - 6,887 Certified - 14,699 Active/Restricted - 414	Registered Tech Renewal - 6,258 (69%) Renewed Upgrades Processed - 193	763
Terminal Distributor	22,234			119
Drug Distributor	2,302			17
Home Medical Equipment	821	License - 186 Registration - 635		11

**Counts as of 4/6/2026*

Compliance

STATISTICS

In-Take Panel Statistics								
Cases Assigned	2/03	2/06	2/10	2/12	2/17	2/20	2/24	2/27
Consumer Complaint	5	2	1	5	5	7	5	5
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	4	2	6	7	2	1	2	8
Questionable Dispensing	1	1				3	1	
Working Conditions/Minimum Standards	1					2	1	2
Error in Dispensing			5	1			4	2
Illegal Processing of Drug Documents	3	1	2	6				2
Adulterated Drugs			1	1				
Deception to Obtain Dangerous Drugs	2	1	1	1				1
Unprofessional Conduct/Gross Immorality	1		1					
Theft of Drugs		1		1	3		1	
Violation of Patient Confidentiality					1			
Operating without a License								1
Fraud		1			1	2		
OARRS Complaint						1	1	
Illegal Drug Sales	3	2	5	3		1	2	
Abusing, Addicted, and/or Unfit		1						2
Error in Dispensing with Patient Harm	1							
Questionable Prescribing		1				1		1
Drug Security					1		1	
Theft of Money or Merchandise		1						
Practicing Pharmacy without a License							1	
Total	21	14	22	25	13	18	19	24

All Open Cases	New Cases Opened in Past 30 Days (February)	Number of Summary Suspensions in February	Cases Closed in Past 30 Days (February)
525	225	3	337

Top 10 Cases Opened in February 2026

Case Type	Cases Opened
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	33
Drug Security	26
Suspicious Purchases	26
Assist Outside Agency	16
Error in Dispensing	15
Background Investigation	14
Deception to Obtain Dangerous Drugs	13
Theft of Drugs	10
Consumer Complaint	8
Illegal Processing of Drug Documents	6

Investigations Summary (February)

Monthly Investigations Summary	Total
Current open cases (as of March 30, 2026)	525
Cases opened in February 2026	225
Complaints received	156
Cases opened from complaints (Intake)	94
Cases opened in the field (Self-Initiated)	42
Admin. cases referred to OBP Legal Department	26
Court orders received	4
Criminal convictions	1
Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (ILC)	3
Criminal indictments	9
Search warrants executed	1
Summary Suspensions	3
Monthly Inspection Summary	Total
Inspections completed	403
Written Response Required issued	143

Notable Investigative Events

- Agents executed a search warrant at an Ashland County residence following an investigation into the unlawful online sale of adulterated injectable peptides without a terminal distributor license and without a valid practitioner-patient relationship.

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FISCAL

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Fund	Appropriation	Year-to-date Expenditures	Encumbered	Unexpended
OARRS Grants (3HD0)	\$ 2,094,643	\$ 1,207,328	\$ 4,520	\$ 882,795
Medicaid/OARRS Integration (3HH0)	\$ 642,117	\$ 582,362	\$ -	\$ 59,755
Equitable Sharing Treasury (3HM0)	\$ -	\$ 436	\$ -	\$ (436)
Equitable Sharing Justice (3HN0)	\$ -	\$ 7,842	\$ -	\$ (7,842)
Law Enforcement Fund (4A50)	\$ 50,000	\$ 7,255	\$ 3,375	\$ 39,370
Operating (4K90)	\$ 13,981,441	\$ 9,815,994	\$ 743,884	\$ 3,421,563
Drug Database Fund (5SG0)	\$ 2,826,000	\$ 2,393,590	\$ 25,986	\$ 406,424
All Funds Total	\$ 19,594,201	\$14,014,807	\$ 777,765	\$ 4,801,629

COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH

- Executive Director Schierholt participated in the following:
 - Met with new Ohio representative for CVS Health
 - Attended the following association/committee meetings:
 - NASCA Controlled Substance Committee
 - DARE America International Board of Directors
 - NW Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association

Policy and Communications

HIGHLIGHTS

- HB12 DRUG PRACTICES-RIGHT TO TRY** (GROSS J, SWEARINGEN D) Regarding prescribing, dispensing, and administering drugs and to name this act the Jeff, Dave, and Angie Patient Right to Try Act.
Current Status: 6/11/2025 – **BILL AMENDED**, House Health, (Sixth Hearing)
- HB192 PHARMACY ACCREDITATION, PBM REQUIREMENTS** (BARHORST T, FISCHER T) To limit insurer accreditation requirements for pharmacies, to implement drug cost reporting requirements for pharmacy benefit managers, and to name this act the Community Pharmacy Protection Act.
Current Status: 3/11/2026 - House Insurance, (Sixth Hearing)
- HB587 REGARDING KRATOM PRODUCT SALES** (ODIOSO M, LORENZ B) Regarding sales of kratom products.
Current Status: 3/18/2026 – House Agriculture, (Third Hearing)
- HB629 PRACTICE AUTHORIZATION-PHARMACISTS** (BARHORST T, GROSS J) To authorize pharmacists to treat minor health conditions and to name this act the Pharmacist Prescribing Authority Act.
Current Status: 3/11/2026 – House Health, (First Hearing)
- SB209 PATIENT RIGHT TO TRY ACT** (CUTRONA A, RENYOLDS M) Regarding prescribing, dispensing, and administering drugs and to name this act the Jeff, Dave, and Angie Patient Right to Try Act.
Current Status: 5/28/2025 – Referred to Committee Senate Health
- SB230 AUTHORIZE PHARMACISTS-TREAT CERTAIN RESPIRATORY CONDITIONS** (ROMANCHUK M) Regarding prescribing, dispensing, and administering drugs and to name this act the Jeff, Dave, and Angie Patient Right to Try Act.
Current Status: 3/4/2026 - Senate Health, (Third Hearing)
- SB249 AUTHORIZE DISPENSING IVERMECTIN WITHOUT PRESCRIPTION** (LANG G, JOHNSON T) To authorize the dispensing of ivermectin without a prescription.
Current Status: 2/11/2026 – Senate Health, (First Hearing)
- SB299 REGARDING KRATOM PRODUCT SALES** (BLESSING III L) Regarding sales of kratom products.
Current Status: 3/24/2026 - Senate General Government, (Second Hearing)

Fentanyl and Xylazine Test Strip Distribution

Total Number of Fentanyl Test Strips Distributed	Number of FTS Training Handouts Distributed
205,668*	143,900**

(*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 110 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.)

Total Number of Xylazine Strips Distributed
1,700