



Board of Pharmacy

Executive Director Report June 2026

Licensing

License Type	Active	Detail	Renewal	Issued Last 30 Days
Pharmacist	23,702	Emeritus – 600		89
Pharmacy Intern	2,470			83
Pharmacy Technician	29,292	Trainee – 7,132 Registered – 7,206 Certified – 14,954 Active/Restricted – 512		714
Terminal Distributor	22,339			91
Drug Distributor	2,319			15
Home Medical Equipment	837	License – 184 Registration – 653	Renewed – 659 (60%) HMEL/Restricted – 23	7

**Counts as of 6/1/2026*

Compliance

STATISTICS – MARCH 2026

In-Take Panel Statistics									
Cases Assigned	3/03	3/05	3/10	3/13	3/17	3/20	3/24	3/27	3/31
Consumer Complaint	5	4	5	6	5	3	10	3	6
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	2	5	6	7	4	1	6	1	2
Questionable Dispensing			1	2					
Working Conditions/Minimum Standards	2	1	1	1	1			1	
Error in Dispensing			3	2	1	2	1	3	3
Illegal Processing of Drug Documents			1	3		2		2	
Adulterated Drugs		1	1	1					
Deception to Obtain Dangerous Drugs	1						1		
Unprofessional Conduct/Gross Immorality			1					2	1
Operating without a License	1			1					1
Background Investigation				1					
OARRS Complaint								1	1
Illegal Drug Sales	1	1	1	2			1	1	1
Abusing, Addicted, and/or Unfit			2			1			
Error in Dispensing with Patient Harm		1				1			
Questionable Prescribing			1			1	2	2	
Drug Security			2	1	1		2		
Theft of Money or Merchandise	1								
Questionable Administration	1	1							
Failure to Perform DUR	1								
Intelligence Information			2	1				1	
Compounding Violations				1	1				
Illegal Advertising				1					
Error in Administration				1					
Trafficking in Drugs				1		1		1	
OARRS Acceptable Use Policy							1		
Practicing Medicine without a License									1
Total	15	14	27	32	13	12	24	18	16

All Open Cases	New Cases Opened in Past 30 Days (March)	Number of Summary Suspensions in March	Cases Closed in Past 30 Days (March)
515	220	4	308

STATISTICS – APRIL 2026

In-Take Panel Statistics

Cases Assigned	4/02	4/07	4/10	4/14	4/17	4/21	4/24	4/28
Consumer Complaint	6	7	12	4	2	2	3	2
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	1	4	10	4	1		5	4
Questionable Dispensing		1				3		
Working Conditions/Minimum Standards	1	1	1	2		2		1
Error in Dispensing	1	3	2	2	1	2		
Illegal Processing of Drug Documents	2	3	1	1			5	1
Adulterated Drugs		1						
Deception to Obtain Dangerous Drugs	1	1						
Unprofessional Conduct/Gross Immorality						2	1	1
Theft of Drugs							1	
Violating Patient Confidentiality		1		1	1			
Operating without a License	1	2						
Fraud	1						1	
Background Investigation					1			
OARRS Complaint							1	
Illegal Drug Sales	3	1	3	1	1		1	
Abusing, Addicted, and/or Unfit	1				1	1	1	
Questionable Prescribing			2	1			2	
Drug Security							1	
Theft of Money or Merchandise							1	
Failure to Report to OARRS	1							
Trafficking in Drugs		1		1	1			
Intelligence Information					1	1		2
Total	19	26	31	17	10	13	23	11

All Open Cases	New Cases Opened in Past 30 Days (April)	Number of Summary Suspensions in April	Cases Closed in Past 30 Days (April)
532	212	2	308

Top 10 Cases Opened in March 2026

Case Type	Cases Opened
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	32
Suspicious Purchases	22
Drug Security	20
Error in Dispensing	15
Illegal Processing of Drug Documents	13
Trafficking In Drugs	11
Background Investigation	9
Consumer Complaint	9
Theft of Drugs	9
Working Conditions/Minimum Standards	9

Investigations Summary (March)

Monthly Investigations Summary	Total
Current open cases (as of May 1, 2026)	515
Cases opened in March 2026	220
Complaints received	171
Cases opened from complaints (Intake)	114
Cases opened in the field (Self-Initiated)	33
Admin. cases referred to OBP Legal Department	60
Court orders received	-
Criminal convictions	2
Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (ILC)	2
Criminal indictments	2
Search warrants executed	2
Summary Suspensions	4
Monthly Inspection Summary	Total
Inspections completed	437
Written Response Required issued	139

Top 10 Cases Opened in April 2026

Case Type	Cases Opened
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	29
Suspicious Purchases	21
Drug Security	20
Trafficking In Drugs	20
Error in Dispensing	14
Theft of Drugs	12
Consumer Complaint	9
Illegal Processing of Drug Documents	9
Working Conditions/Minimum Standards	9
Background Investigation	8

Investigations Summary (April)

Monthly Investigations Summary	Total
Current open cases (as of June 1, 2026)	532
Cases opened in April 2026	212
Complaints received	150
Cases opened from complaints (Intake)	92
Cases opened in the field (Self-Initiated)	37
Admin. cases referred to OBP Legal Department	31
Court orders received	-
Criminal convictions	6
Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (ILC)	3
Criminal indictments	7
Search warrants executed	3
Summary Suspensions	2
Monthly Inspection Summary	Total
Inspections completed	326
Written Response Required issued	127

Notable Investigative Events

- In April, Board agents worked with Ohio and West Virginia law enforcement agencies to identify, track, and arrest a criminal organization that exploited homeless individuals to counterfeit and pass a multitude of fraudulent controlled substance prescriptions to Ohio pharmacies.

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FISCAL

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Fund	Appropriation	Year-to-date Expenditures	Encumbered	Unexpended
OARRS Grants (3HD0)	\$ 2,094,643	\$ 1,438,181	\$ 20	\$ 656,442
Medicaid/OARRS Integration (3HH0)	\$ 642,117	\$ 600,409	\$ -	\$ 41,708
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	\$ 11,923,380	\$ 505,512	\$ 1,552,549
Drug Database Fund (5SG0)	\$ 2,826,000	\$ 2,509,695	\$ 45,051	\$ 271,254
All Funds Total	\$ 19,594,201	\$16,487,198	\$ 553,958	\$ 2,553,045

COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH

- Executive Director Schierholt participated in the following:
 - OACP Annual Conference Banquet
 - NABP Executive Committee & PTCB Meeting
 - NABP 142nd Annual Meeting
 - NADDI of Ohio Training Conference
 - NASCSA Resolutions / Bylaws Committee

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: 6/3/2026 – **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED**, Senate Health, (Fourth Hearing)
- SB249 AUTHORIZE DISPENSING IVERMECTIN WITHOUT PRESCRIPTION** (LANG G, JOHNSON T) To authorize the dispensing of ivermectin without a prescription.
Current Status: 4/15/2026 – Senate Health, (Second 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
207,368*	148,100**

(*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
2,700