



Executive Director Report
March 2026

Licensing

License Type	Active	Detail	Renewal	Issued Last 30 Days
Pharmacist	23,430	Emeritus - 594		54
Pharmacy Intern	2,362			20
Pharmacy Technician	31,509	Trainee - 7,542 Registered - 9,571 Certified - 14,396 Active/Restricted - 374	Registered Tech Renewal - 1,268 (14%) Renewed Upgrades Processed - 61	740
Terminal Distributor	22,136			127
Drug Distributor	2,277			11
Home Medical Equipment	888	License - 181 Registration - 707		10

**Counts as of 2/23/2026*

Compliance

STATISTICS

In-Take Panel Statistics

Cases Assigned	1/02	1/06	1/09	1/13	1/16	1/20	1/23	1/27	1/30
Consumer Complaint	4	10	6	6	5	3	10	4	2
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	1	6	3	4	2	1	3	2	3
Questionable Dispensing		1		1	1				2
Working Conditions/Minimum Standards	1	2	3	2	2	1	2	1	1
Error in Dispensing	2	2	3	3	4	3	1	1	2
Illegal Processing of Drug Documents		1	1		1			1	1
Adulterated Drugs			2		1	1	1		
Deception to Obtain Dangerous Drugs			1					1	
Unprofessional Conduct/Gross Immorality	1				2			1	2
Theft of Drugs									1
Violation of Patient Confidentiality				1	1		1	1	
Operating without a License	1				1				
Fraud					1				2
Background Investigation		1		1					
OARRS Complaint							1		
Illegal Drug Sales		1	1	6	1		1	1	
Abusing, Addicted, and/or Unfit							1		
Error in Dispensing with Patient Harm	1								
Questionable Prescribing			1	2					
Drug Security					1				
Total	11	24	21	26	23	9	21	13	16

All Open Cases	New Cases Opened in Past 30 Days (January)	Number of Summary Suspensions in January	Cases Closed in Past 30 Days (January)
543	238	2	326

Top 10 Cases Opened in January 2026

Case Type	Cases Opened
Minimum Qualifications of TDDD/WDDD	27
Suspicious Purchases	24
Error in Dispensing	21
Drug Security	16
Working Conditions/Minimum Standards	15
Background Investigation	14
Deception to Obtain Dangerous Drugs	14
Adulterated Drugs	9
Theft of Drugs	8
Unprofessional Conduct/Gross Immortality	7

Investigations Summary (January)

Monthly Investigations Summary	Total
Current open cases (as of February 25, 2026)	543
Cases opened in January 2025	238
Complaints received	164
Cases opened from complaints (Intake)	101
Cases opened in the field (Self-Initiated)	120
Admin. cases referred to OBP Legal Department	36
Court orders received	1
Criminal convictions	1
Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (ILC)	3
Criminal indictments	3
Search warrants executed	1
Summary Suspensions	2
Monthly Inspection Summary	Total
Inspections completed	346
Written Response Required issued	104

Notable Investigative Events

- On January 8, 2026, Dr. Mark Fettman was sentenced in Franklin County to two years in prison following his conviction for engaging in corrupt activity, money laundering, and trafficking in buprenorphine without a legitimate medical purpose. The conviction stemmed from a Board of Pharmacy case initiated and investigated by the OARRS Investigative Unit.

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FISCAL

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Fund	Appropriation	Year-to-date Expenditures	Encumbered	Unexpended
OARRS Grants (3HD0)	\$ 2,094,643	\$ 1,049,399	\$ 4,520	\$ 1,040,724
Medicaid/OARRS Integration (3HH0)	\$ 642,117	\$ 568,868	\$ -	\$ 73,249
Equitable Sharing Treasury (3HM0)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Equitable Sharing Justice (3HN0)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Law Enforcement Fund (4A50)	\$ 50,000	\$ 6,130	\$ -	\$ 43,870
Operating (4K90)	\$ 13,981,441	\$ 8,310,721	\$ 391,479	\$ 5,279,241
Drug Database Fund (5SG0)	\$ 2,826,000	\$ 2,329,192	\$ 27,220	\$ 469,588
All Funds Total	\$ 19,594,201	\$12,264,310	\$ 423,219	\$ 6,906,672

COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH

- Executive Director Schierholt participated in the following:
 - NABP Executive Committee meetings/calls
 - IACP Committee on Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs
 - COCP Discussion with Deans regarding uMPJE

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: 11/18/2025 - House Insurance, (Fifth Hearing)
- HB587 REGARDING KRATOM PRODUCT SALES** (ODIOSO M, LORENZ B) Regarding sales of kratom products.
Current Status: 2/25/2026 – House Agriculture, (First 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: 2/4/2026 – Referred to Committee House Health
- 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: 11/18/2025 - Senate General Government, (First Hearing)

Fentanyl and Xylazine Test Strip Distribution

Total Number of Fentanyl Test Strips Distributed	Number of FTS Training Handouts Distributed
204,268*	143,600**

(*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
1,500