



Board of Pharmacy

Wildlife Animal Rehabilitation Facility Licensure to Begin 2/26/2026

Effective March 4, 2026, ORC [4729.531](#) allows a wild animal rehabilitation facility (WARF) to obtain from the Ohio Board of Pharmacy a limited terminal distributor of dangerous drugs (TDDD) license solely for purchasing, possessing, and administering drugs for euthanizing animals and pre-euthanizing drugs for inducing anesthesia, sedation, or unconsciousness.

While the law does not allow the Board to begin licensing until March 4, 2026, current WARFs are encouraged to begin applying to the Board **starting February 26, 2026**. Please be advised that the Board cannot issue a limited TDDD license to a WARF until it has at least one agent or employee who is a certified euthanasia technician. Approved euthanasia certification courses can be accessed here: <https://ovmlb.ohio.gov/maintaining-your-license/continuing-education>.

To assist WARFs in obtaining licensure and compliance with Ohio law and rules, the Board developed a guidance document that can be found at www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/WARF. If you need additional information, the most expedient way to have your questions answered will be to e-mail the Board office by visiting: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/contact.



People call, text, and chat the 988 Lifeline to talk about a lot of emotional needs—not just thoughts of suicide. Whatever your reason, the #988Lifeline is there to help. There is hope.



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