

**899 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NE  
2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR  
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

**April 6, 2023**

**9:35 AM – 12:01 PM**

**OPEN SESSION MINUTES  
(IN-PERSON AND WEBEX)**

**Board of Pharmacy Mission Statement:**

“To protect and improve the public health through the efficient and effective regulation of the practice of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Detailing; through the licensure of Pharmacists, Pharmaceutical Detailers, Pharmacy Interns, and Pharmacy Technicians.”

**CALL TO ORDER:** 9:35 AM

**PRESIDING:** DR. TAMARA McCANTS, PHARM.D. R.PH CHAIRPERSON

**BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:**

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	DR. TAMARA McCANTS, PHARM.D. R.PH CHAIRPERSON	PRESENT
	MR. ALAN FRIEDMAN, R.PH, VICE CHAIRPERSON	PRESENT
	DR. BENJAMIN MILES, PHARM.D. R.PH	PRESENT
	DR. ASHLEE BOW, PHARM.D. R.PH	PRESENT
	DR. ALLISON HILL, PHARM.D. R.PH	PRESENT
STAFF:	DR. JUSTIN ORTIQUE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	PRESENT
	KARIN BARRON, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	PRESENT
	LUANNE GREENAWAY, PROGRAM SPECIALIST	PRESENT
	COUNTEE GILLIAM, BOARD INVESTIGATOR	PRESENT
LEGAL STAFF:	CARLA WILLIAMS, SENIOR ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL	PRESENT
VISITORS:	DR. REGINAL BELLAMY, DC BOARD OF PHARMACY	
	DR. TAMISHAA VENTIERE, DC BOARD OF PHARMACY	
	MR. EDWARD OLOWOOFAYOKU, PHARMACIST	
	MR. DON ZOWADER, PUBLIC	
	DR. HEATHER BURRIS, CHA, DC HEALTH	
	DR. ASAD BANDEALY, CHA, DC HEALTH	
	MR. CARL FILLER, OGR, DC HEALTH	
	MS. AMANDA ATTIYA, OGR, DC HEALTH	
	DR. ANTHEA FRANCIS, HOWARD UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF PHARMACY	
	DR. SITHEMBILE CHITHENGA, DC BOARD OF MEDICINE	

## Open Session Agenda

**Quorum:** Yes

<b>Introduction:</b>		
0406-O-01	<p><b><u>Approval of the Open Session Meeting Minutes for:</u></b></p> <p>February 2, 2023</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Vice Chair, Mr. Alan Friedman moves the Board to approve the February 2, 2023 open session meeting minutes.</p> <p><b>Seconded by:</b> Board Member, Dr. Benjamin Miles.</p> <p><b>Roll Call Vote:</b></p> <p>Alan Friedman: Voted in favor of the motion. Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion. Allison Hill: Voted in favor of the motion. Ashlee Bow: Voted in favor of the motion.</p> <p><b>Abstentions: None.</b></p> <p><b>Motion Carried</b></p> <p>March 9, 2023</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Board Member, Dr. Benjamin Miles moves the Board to approve the March 9, 2023 open session meeting minutes.</p> <p><b>Seconded by:</b> Board Member, Dr. Allison Hill.</p> <p><b>Roll Call Vote:</b></p> <p>Alan Friedman: Voted in favor of the motion. Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion. Allison Hill: Voted in favor of the motion. Ashlee Bow: Voted in favor of the motion.</p> <p><b>Abstentions: None.</b></p> <p><b>Motion Carried</b></p>	
<b><u>Consent Agenda</u></b>	None	

<p><b><u>Chairperson Report</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Interprofessional Workgroup</u></b></p> <p>Board Chair, Dr. McCants reports that the Interprofessional Workgroup’s March meeting was extremely productive. The meeting included discussion on a joint symposium and an Informative presentation by HAHSTA.</p> <p>Dr. McCants invites the Board to discuss ideas for the symposium, (i.e. What should the Fall symposium look like? Who should be the target audience? Should it include a discussion or a lecture?). Dr. McCants expresses that she considered the symposium as a networking event, where information is shared on all of DC Government’s programs.</p> <p>As an example, Dr. McCants informs the Board of linkudmv.org, a resource administrated by <a href="https://dchealth.dc.gov/">https://dchealth.dc.gov/</a>, which connects individuals to programs throughout the DMV area and/or programs within DC Health.</p> <p>The Healthcare Workforce Taskforce created a report on healthcare and workforce conditions for all healthcare professionals, which is now available to the Board of Pharmacy for comment and feedback.</p> <p>Dr. McCants encourages the pharmacy professional community to engage in the legislative process in the District of Columbia. As such, she reminds the pharmacy community that DC Health is currently engaged in budget hearings. Dr. McCants mentions that members of the pharmacy community may provide testimony on behalf of the pharmacy community on April 10, 2023.</p> <p>Vice Chair, Mr. Alan Friedman states that he would like to see Board members mention the topics germane to each Board, which may lead to a collaborative effort in approach to the topic (ex. Health disparities). Mr. Friedman hopes that the workgroup would consider an agenda that provides information [on the symposium] and includes breakout sessions.</p> <p>Board Member, Dr. Hill supports Mr. Friedman’s suggestions on the planned day for the symposium.</p> <p>Board Chair, Dr. McCants will submit the aforementioned suggestions to the planning committee for the symposium.</p> <p>Dr. McCants shares with the Board that Howard University, in collaboration with the DC Pharmacy Association, will host a <i>Provider Status Summit</i> on April 28, 2023, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.</p> <p>Mr. Don Zowader suggests that the public should not be invited to the Interprofessional Workgroup’s summit as it is more important for the seven wards to interact and share information on what is being</p>	<p>Dr. Tamara McCants</p>
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done [in each constituent] than inviting the public initially, which may present complications not anticipated.

**Executive Director Report**

▪ **Statistical Report on Pharmacy professionals in the District of Columbia**

<b>PHARMACEUTICAL DETAILERS</b>	<b>723</b>
<b>PHARMACISTS</b>	<b>2,023</b>
<b>PHARMACY INTERNS</b>	<b>459</b>
<b>PHARMACY TECHNICIANS</b>	<b>952</b>
<b>PHARMACY TECHNICIAN TRAINEES</b>	<b>151</b>
<b>PHARMACISTS WITH VAC AUTHORITY</b>	<b>713</b>
<b>PHARMACY TECHNICIAN TRAINING PROGRAMS</b>	<b>8</b>

Dr. Justin Ortique

**Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Updates**

- All pharmacists are reminded to register for the *Prescription Drug Monitoring Program* (PDMP) within ninety (90) days of licensure in the District of Columbia.
- The PDMP reports that ninety-seven percent (97%) of pharmacists are registered for the program.
- As a reminder, new licensees will receive notifications regarding registration for the program every thirty (30) days after licensure.
- Pharmacists are allowed two delegates, therefore the Board encourages registration.

**DCRx (DC Center for Rational Prescribing)**

- The DC Center for Rational Prescribing is currently working on modules in *Clinical Updates to Diabetes Medications and Treatments* and *Ethics* for continuing education credit.

**Office of Government Relations (OGR) Updates**

- Ms. Attiya congratulates Dr. McCants on giving outstanding testimony to the Council on February 28, 2023 at its first of two oversight performance hearings. Ms. Attiya will share the link to the audio recording with Dr. Ortique.
- Ms. Attiya further reports that at the March 2, 2023 oversight performance hearing, Dr. Lewis' discussed the role of equity in DC Health's work; the department's response to the Monkey Pox outbreak; the healthcare workforce development and licensure report and the strategic process. Ms. Attiya will share the link to the audio recording with Dr. Ortique.
- The budget was proposed on March 22, 2023.
- DC Health's budget oversight hearings are scheduled for April 10, 2023 where public witnesses will testify before the council: and April 12, 2023 where DC Health representatives will testify before the council.

- The DC Council’s first reading of the budget is scheduled for May 16, 2023 and the second will occur on May 30, 2023.
- The *Copay Accumulator Amendment Act of 2023* “would require health insurers to apply discounts, financial assistance, payments, product vouchers, or other reductions in out-of-pocket expenses made by or on behalf of a member when calculating the member’s coinsurance, copayment, cost-sharing responsibility, deductible, or out-of-pocket maximum for a covered benefit.” The bill passed its first reading on April 4, 2023 and will undergo a second reading in two weeks.
- The *Access to Emergency Albuterol and Glucagon Amendment Act of 2023* “would authorize employees and agents of public schools who have been certified under an Office of the State Superintendent of Education medication administration training program to administer undesignated albuterol to a student who is suffering or about to suffer an asthma attack and undesignated glucagon to a student who is suffering or about to suffer hypoglycemia due to diabetes.”

#### **Pharmacist and Pharmacy Technician Renewals**

- The licensure renewal process is currently in the late renewal cycle, which will end on April 30, 2023.
- All renewal applications are accessible at <https://doh.force.com/dchealthrenewals/s/portal-page>.
- All pharmacists are required to register with the DC PDMP before renewing their licenses.
- Licensees with *Vaccination and Immunization Authority* are required to maintain current CPR certification in Basic Life Support, as well as complete two (2) hours of continuing education relevant to the administration of immunizations and vaccinations.

#### **Pharmacy Facility Renewals**

- The licensure renewal process for pharmacies and pharmaceutical facilities will now be completed via the online licensing portal at: <https://doh.force.com/DCHEALTHFACILITIES/s/>
- The licensure renewal application is available online only, and paper applications will not be accepted.
- The Controlled Substance Registration renewal application is also available in the portal. To renew the registration, please answer "yes" to the question: "Would you like to renew a Controlled Substance Registration?"
- **Applications will be reviewed in, at least, 15 business days.** A copy of the renewed license will be transmitted to the pharmacy or pharmaceutical facility via email, upon approval.

	<p><b>Board of Pharmacy Vacancies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The DC Board of Pharmacy is currently seeking two District of Columbia residents to serve as consumer members on the Board.</li> <li>• Interested parties who are health professionals or in training to become one or in a household where there is a health professional or someone training to become one are not qualified for the role of consumer member.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b><u>Senior Assistant General Counsel Report</u></b></p>	
0406-O-02	None	Ms. Carla Williams
	<p><b><u>Regarding Subcommittee Reports</u></b></p>	
0406-O-03	<p><b><u>Legislative and Regulatory Subcommittee Report</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Legislative and Regulatory Subcommittee is now focused on legislation that passed which would allow pharmacists to prescribe hormonal contraception medication, where a patient meets specific criteria.</li> <li>• The subcommittee is currently developing an algorithm based on the <i>Summary Chart of US Medical Eligibility Criteria for Contraceptive Use</i>, which is the protocol that a pharmacist would follow in determining when he/she can or cannot prescribe hormonal contraception medication.</li> <li>• The subcommittee has not yet completed the patient education materials. However, the subcommittee is in receipt of copies of all materials, except the algorithm which has been updated.</li> <li>• Board Member, Dr. Allison Hill suggests that the Board allows open meetings for the subcommittee, thereby encouraging engagement from the public and ensuring that the District adopts national standards early.</li> <li>• Vice Chair, Mr. Alan Friedman concurs and Board Counsel, Ms. Carla Williams proposes that the subcommittee remains at three (3) members if meetings are to be opened to the public on the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Thursday of each month.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion:</b> Board Member, Dr. Allison Hill moves the Board to allow open meetings for the Legislative and Regulatory Subcommittee, effective June 8, 2023 (via WebEx).</p> <p><b>Seconded by:</b> Board Member, Dr. Benjamin Miles.</p> <p><b>Roll Call Vote:</b></p> <p>Alan Friedman: Voted in favor of the motion.</p>	Mr. Alan Friedman

	<p>Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion. Allison Hill: Voted in favor of the motion. Ashlee Bow: Voted in favor of the motion.</p> <p><b>Abstentions: None.</b></p> <p><b>Motion Carried</b></p> <p><b><u>Collaborative Practice Agreements</u></b></p> <p>The Board of Pharmacy will present collaborative practice agreement to the Boards of Medicine and Nursing at their next monthly meetings. Board Chair, Dr. Tamara McCants anticipates that the Board of Pharmacy will have an update on collaborative practice agreements in the District of Columbia, during the Board of Pharmacy’s meeting in June, 2023.</p>	
0406-O-04	<p><b><u>Communications Subcommittee Report</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The communication subcommittee is currently completing the layout for the upcoming newsletter.</li> <li>• All topics for publication are to be submitted to NABP by May 1, 2023 for the June publication of the newsletter.</li> </ul>	Dr. Ashlee Bow
<b><u>Matter for Consideration</u></b>		
0406-O-05	<p><b><u>Inquiry Regarding DC’s CPA Law</u></b></p> <p>“Under section 10001.7(a)1C a pharmacist can certify as a specialist via “another credentialing body approved by the Board of Pharmacy” and I wanted to know if the Board has a list of approved credentialing bodies? If not, does one need to be formally approved by the Board?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board Member, Dr. Allison Hill suggests that the Board requires a presentation on the credentialing program.</li> <li>• Vice Chair, Mr. Alan Friedman suggests that further information concerning the credentialing program is received ahead of the presentation.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion:</b> Board Member, Dr. Benjamin Miles moves the Board to request a presentation from the <i>Specialty Pharmacy Certification Board</i> (SPCB) on its credentialing program.</p> <p><b>Seconded by:</b> Board Member, Dr. Allison Hill.</p> <p><b>Roll Call Vote:</b></p> <p>Alan Friedman: Voted in favor of the motion. Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion. Allison Hill: Voted in favor of the motion.</p>	



	<p>Ashlee Bow: Voted in favor of the motion.</p> <p><b>Abstentions: None.</b></p> <p><b>Motion Carried</b></p>	
<p>0406-O-06</p>	<p><b><u>Scope of Practice Inquiry</u></b></p> <p>“Under the provisions of my Pharmacist license am I able to perform the following tasks in a person's residence without an established pharmacist-physician agreement.</p> <p>Working with individuals to increase compliance by helping them:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Manage the timing of the dosing regimen already prescribed by the physician.</li> <li>2. Consult on side effects and adverse reactions they may experience.</li> <li>3. Alert them of interactions with other medications they may be taking (consult Physician when needed).</li> <li>4. Advise on appropriate spacing with other medications while maintaining the dosing schedule as prescribed by their physician.</li> <li>5. Pillbox Filling.”</li> </ol> <p>In response to the question “Can these [aforementioned] duties be provided in a person’s home, the Board states that the District of Columbia’s pharmacy law does not specify a location where pharmacy can [or cannot] be practiced.</p> <p>Mr. Don Zowader comments to the Board that as a member of the public, he is able to perform the aforementioned duties [for a third party] as a friend or member of the community. Mr. Zowader further suggests that the focus of the question is on reimbursement for services.</p> <p>In agreement with Mr. Zowader, Vice Chair, Mr. Alan Friedman observes that the matter may be inclusive of a business model for reimbursement of services.</p> <p>While Board Chair, Dr. Tamara McCants states that there are no restrictions for telehealth services, Executive Director of the DC Board of Medicine, Dr. Sithembile Chithenga suggests that a similar case under the review of that Board is requesting that the party registers with DC Health as a Home Health Aide agency entity as well as SHPTA to obtain a certificate of need, which establishes the need for service.</p> <p>In conclusion, Board Chair Dr. Tamara McCants states that the [aforementioned] scope of practice is not regulated and that the DC Board of Pharmacy does not limit where professionals practice. However, registration to practice in a broader capacity as mentioned</p>	

	in this matter, requires registration with the District of Columbia as a provider of home health services.	
0406-O-07	<p><b><u>Public Health Emergency (PHE) Expiration Impact on the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness (PREP) Act</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drs. Burris and Bandedaly appear before the Board of Pharmacy to request changes in the Board of Pharmacy’s regulations concerning vaccinations and immunizations as in the absence of the PREP Act, access to vaccinations for the population would not be possible.</li> <li>• The DC Board of Pharmacy concludes that changes in the regulations are the most viable way to address the matter.</li> <li>• The Board suggests that if the Boards of Pharmacy and Medicine agree to make changes to the regulations through a collaboration, then an amendment(s) will be made concerning vaccinations for children starting at age three (3).</li> <li>• Board Chair, Dr. McCants emphasizes that vaccinations can be administered through physician prescriptions.</li> </ul>	
0406-O-08	<p><b><u>MTM Services Out of the Office</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board held no discussion regarding this matter.</li> </ul>	
0406-O-09	<p><b><u>Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Fine for Pharmacists</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This matter was tabled to the Board’s April 6, 2023 Executive Session Meeting.</li> </ul>	
0406-O-10	<p><b><u>Continuing Education Audit Percentage for Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians</u></b></p> <p>The DC Board of Pharmacy will conduct a continuing education compliance audit for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians in June, 2023.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Board Member, Dr. Ashley Bow moves the Board to audit ten percent (10%) of all registered pharmacists and pharmacy technicians for compliance with continuing education requirements for the renewal cycle of March 1, 2021 through February 28, 2023, where the audit must ensure that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The pharmacy professionals are not using the same subject matter/course in continuing education credits to satisfy a new renewal cycle.</li> <li>2. Pharmacy professionals with current orders have completed the continuing education credit requirements of the renewal cycle (apart from those submitted to satisfy the terms of an order(s)).</li> </ol>	

	<p><b>Seconded by:</b> Board Member, Dr. Benjamin Miles.</p> <p><b>Roll Call Vote:</b></p> <p>Alan Friedman: Voted in favor of the motion.  Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion.  Allison Hill: Voted in favor of the motion.  Ashlee Bow: Voted in favor of the motion.</p> <p><b>Abstentions: None.</b></p> <p><b>Motion Carried</b></p>	
<p>0406-O-11</p>	<p><b><u>Requirement for Reinstatement for Pharmacists (Section 6513.13 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations for Pharmacists</u></b></p> <p>This matter comes before the Board for the following considerations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Revision of Section 6513.13(b), as a pharmacist applying for reinstatement of licensure is required to satisfy a requirement that does not exist in the updated DCMR, effective January 6, 2023.</li> <li>2. Inclusion of a time specification on satisfying the requirement mentioned in Section 6513.13(b), based on length of licensure expiration, (for example: should the pharmacist who forgot to renew his/her license and must now reinstate the license because it is just beyond the late renewal period, be subjected to 6513.13(b) just as well as the pharmacist whose license is expired for four (4) years?).</li> </ol> <p>Whereas Section 6513.13 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations for Pharmacists (Hereinafter, "DCMR"), effective August 27, 2021 states:</p> <p>"Beginning with the licensure period ending February 28, 2023, to qualify for a license, an applicant for reinstatement of a license shall submit proof, pursuant to § 6513.14, of having completed approved continuing education credit in the year immediately preceding the date of the application as follows: Title 17 District of Columbia Municipal Regulations Effective August 27, 2021:</p> <p>(a) Forty (40) contact hours of approved continuing education credit which shall include at least:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Two (2) hours in medication/dispensing errors training;</li> <li>(2) Two (2) hours of continuing education on cultural competency or specialized clinical training focusing on patients or clients who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender nonconforming, queer, or question their sexual orientation or gender identity and expression ("LGBTQ"), meeting the requirements of D.C. Official Code § 3-1205.10(b)(5); and</li> </ol>	

(3) At least ten percent (10%) of the total required continuing education shall be in the subjects determined by the Director as public health priorities of the District every five (5) years or less frequently, as deemed appropriate by the Director, with notice of the subject matter published in the D.C. Register. The Board shall disseminate the identified subjects to its licensees when determined by the Director via electronic communication and through publication on its website; and

(b) One hundred sixty (160) hours within a sixty (60) day period of professional practice under the supervision of a pharmacist performing tasks listed in § 6502.2(a),”

Where Section 6502.2(a) of the DCMR (2021) states:

“The Board shall give credit for independent pre-licensure professional practice required by §§ 6502.1(b)(2) and (3) if it meets the following requirements:

(a) Seventy percent (70%) of the work was spent performing the following pharmacy tasks:

- (1) Filling prescriptions;
- (2) Compounding drugs;
- (3) Evaluating prescriptions
- (4) Handling controlled substances;
- (5) Handling toxic drugs and substances;
- (6) Substituting generic drugs for brand name drugs;
- (7) Storing and packing drugs;
- (8) Instructing patients;
- (9) Maintaining prescription records; and
- (10) Handling veterinarian products[.]”

Section 6513.13 of the updated DCMR, effective January 6, 2023, states:

“Beginning with the licensure period ending February 28, 2023, to qualify for a

license, an applicant for reinstatement of a license shall submit proof, pursuant to

§ 6513.14, of having completed approved continuing education credit in the year

immediately preceding the date of the application as follows:

(a) Forty (40) contact hours of approved continuing education credit which

shall include at least:

(1) Two (2) hours in medication/dispensing errors training;

(2) Two (2) hours of continuing education on cultural competency or

specialized clinical training focusing on patients or clients who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender nonconforming, queer, or question their sexual orientation or gender identity and expression ("LGBTQ"), meeting the requirements of D.C. Official Code § 3-1205.10(b)(5); and

(3) At least ten percent (10%) of the total required continuing education

shall be in the subjects determined by the Director as public health priorities of the District every five (5) years or less frequently, as deemed appropriate by the Director, with notice of the subject matter published in the D.C. Register. The Board shall disseminate the identified subjects to its licensees when determined by the Director via electronic communication and through publication on its website; and

(a) One hundred sixty (160) hours within a sixty (60) day period of professional practice under the supervision of a pharmacist performing tasks listed in § 6502.2(a)," thereby referencing section 6502.2(a), which is not documented in the updated DCMR.

**Motion:** Board Member, Dr. Benjamin Miles moves the Board to effect immediately, the removal of requirement 6513.13(b) for pharmacists seeking reinstatement of licensure.

**Seconded by:** Board Member, Dr. Ashley Bow.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Alan Friedman: Voted in favor of the motion.

Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion.

Allison Hill: Voted in favor of the motion.

Ashlee Bow: Voted in favor of the motion.

**Abstentions: None.**

	<b>Motion Carried</b>	
<p><b>NABP E-Newsletter</b></p>	<p><b><u>March 29, 2023</u></b></p> <p>FDA Revises Janssen’s COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet for Vaccination Providers</p> <p>As States Begin to Legalize ‘Magic’ Mushroom Use, Boards of Pharmacy and Pharmacists Should Stay Alert and Informed</p> <p>FDA Publishes Guidance on Use of Electronic Systems in Clinical Investigations</p> <p>University Training Program Gives 94% of Pre-Licensure Medical Providers a Better Understanding of OUD Treatment</p> <p>Nearly 50% of Fatal Poisonings in Children Involve Opioids, According to Study</p> <p>FDA Adds Marketing Reporting Requirements to the ‘Purple Book: Database of Licensed Biological Products FAQ’ Page</p> <p><b><u>March 22, 2022</u></b></p> <p>FDA Publishes Notice of COVID-19-Related Guidance Documents Expiring After Termination of the PHE</p> <p>FDA Releases Final Guidance Containing Definitions Relevant to DSCSA</p> <p>Convenience and Flexibility Are Some of the Reasons Why Patients Prefer Receiving OUD Medications at a Pharmacy</p> <p>Ethnographic Study Reveals Majority of Fentanyl, Heroin, and Methamphetamine-Based Counterfeit Pills Are Sold at Tourist-Oriented Pharmacies in Mexico</p> <p>DEA Agents Discuss Mexican Cartel’s Move Into Counterfeit Medications</p> <p>Note to the Public: To receive weekly updates from NABP, please sign up by using the following link:  <a href="https://nabp.pharmacy/newsroom/news/">https://nabp.pharmacy/newsroom/news/</a>.</p>	<p>Dr. Tamara McCants</p>
<p><b><u>Comments from the Public</u></b></p>	<p>Mr. Don Zowader kindly requests that the members of the Board speak louder during the open session meeting.</p> <p>Dr. Anthea Francis from the Howard University College of Pharmacy informs the Board of the <i>Biosimilars Symposium</i> that was hosted by Howard University College of Pharmacy on April 5, 2023.</p>	

	<p>Dr. Francis shared information and brochures on the subject matter with the Board, and advised the Board that the symposium was funded through a grant from <i>Pfizer Incorporated</i>, and was had to inform the public on biosimilars.</p>	
<p><b><u>Motion to Adjourn the Open Session</u></b></p>	<p><b>Board member, Dr. Ashlee Bow moves as follows:</b></p> <p>“Madam Board Chair, I move that the Board close the Open Public session portion of the meeting and move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the following purposes: to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to § 2-575(b)(9); to seek the advice of counsel to the board, to preserve the attorney-client privilege, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4); and to plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to § 2-575(b)(14).”</p> <p><b>Seconded by:</b> Dr. Allison Hill.</p> <p><b>Roll Call Vote:</b></p> <p>Mr. Alan Friedman: Votes in favor of the motion.  Dr. Benjamin Miles: Votes in favor of the motion.  Dr. Ashlee Bow: Votes in favor of the motion.  Dr. Allison Hill: Votes in favor of the motion.</p> <p><b>Abstentions: None.</b></p> <p><b>Motion Carried.</b></p>	

This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.

**Open Session Meeting Adjourned at 12:01 PM**

**This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at [opengovoffice@dc.gov](mailto:opengovoffice@dc.gov).**