

BOARD OF PHARMACY

Open Session Minutes

OCTOBER 2, 2025

9:31AM – 12:23 PM

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BOARD 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.

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BOARD MEETING PARTICIPANTS:

BOARD MEMBERS:	
Dr. Allison Hill, Pharm. D. R.PH, Chairperson	Present
Dr. Benjamin Miles, Pharm. D. R.PH	Present
Dr. Jamila Jorden, Pharm. D. R. PH	Present
Mr. Rodrick McGill, Esq., Consumer Member	Absent
VACANT (Pharmacist Member)	
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VACANT (Pharmacy Tech Member)	
BOARD STAFF:	
Aisha Nixon– Associate Director	Absent
Ericka Walker- Executive Director	Present
Karin Barron – Health Licensing Specialist	Absent
Luanne Greenaway – Health Licensing Specialist	Present
Dr. Monai Lowe, Pharm. D. R.PH – PDMP Pharmacist	Present
Dr. Tameshaa Ventiere, Pharm.D., RPH – Supervisory Pharmacist	Present
Lisa Robinson – Compliance Coordinator	Present
Countee Gilliam – Investigator	Present
LEGAL STAFF:	
Carla Williams, Esq. – Senior Assistant General Counsel	Present
DC HEALTH STAFF:	
Kera Johnson, Office of Government Affairs	Present

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CALL TO ORDER

OS-25-10-01	<u>INTRODUCTIONS</u>	
ALL	A. BOARD MEMBERS The Board members for the Open Session Meeting are as follows: • Dr. Allison Hill, Pharm. D., R.PH, Chairperson. • Dr. Benjamin Miles, Pharm. D., R.PH, Vice Chair. • Dr. Jamila Jorden, Pharm. D. R. PH. B. BOARD STAFF The Board's staff members for the Open Session Meeting are as follows: • Ms. Ericka Walker, Executive Director • Ms. Karin Barron, Health Licensing Specialist • Ms. Luanne Greenaway, Program Specialist • Dr. Monai Lowe, Pharm. D., R.PH, Pharmacist (PDMP) • Dr. Tameshaa Ventiere, Pharm.D., RPH – Supervisory Pharmacist • Lisa Robinson – Compliance Coordinator • Countee Gilliam – Investigator • Carla Williams, Esq. – Senior Assistant General Counsel (Board Counsel)	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CONSENT AGENDA, BOARD POLICIES, AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-25-10-02	<u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT</u>	EW
ALL	A. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT • Dr. Hill will represent the District of Columbia at the NABP's Districts 1 and 2 District Meetings in Philadelphia, PA on October 15, 2025 through October 17, 2025. She will collaborate with other state boards and colleges of pharmacy. Dr. Hill will share with the Board, at its next open session, the highlights of the meeting as well as the resolutions passed during the meeting. • Dr. Hill has been re-appointed as the District of Columbia's representative to NABP's Steering Committee for Research and Innovation Institute. B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT	

i. **DC Health Updates**

The Executive Director provided the following updates on the District of Columbia responses to public health issues/concerns:

- ❖ The DC Government remains on a spending freeze. A waiver has been submitted to request that the executive director and supervisory pharmacist positions for the Board of Pharmacy are filled. The Board is currently awaiting the approval of the waivers that were submitted.
- ❖ The Board thanks Dr. Tameshaa Ventiere for accepting the role of supervisory pharmacist, which is effective for a hundred and twenty (120) days.

ii. **PDMP UPDATE**

The PDMP Pharmacist provided the following updates regarding the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP):

- ❖ The PDMP will host a training for veterinarians on October 15, 2025 from 12:00 PM to 1:PM (EST), via webinar. This training is available for all licensed veterinarians in the District of Columbia. For further information on this training, please email the PDMP at doh.pdmp@dc.gov.
- ❖ All licensed prescribers and dispensers must register for the DC Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) within ninety (90) days of licensure. The mandatory registration notices are available at <https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/1403556>; and responses to frequently asked questions (FAQs) concerning registration are available at https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/service_content/attachments/DC%20PDMP%20Frequently%20Asked%20Questions_v4.pdf.
- ❖ As of the last PDMP advisory committee meeting, the program has seen a sixteen percent (16%) increase in search volume and a thirty-six percent (36%) increase in registration numbers. The program attributes these increases to its trainings offered throughout the year.
- ❖ The PDMP is currently building its training schedule for 2026.

iii. **Board Vacancies/MOTA Update**

The Executive Director will provide an update on current Board vacancies.

- ❖ Two (2) pharmacists are currently engaged in the appointment process to fill two of three vacancies as board members. Board members are encouraged to

submit recommendations of pharmacy technicians that are qualified candidates for the remaining board member vacancy.

iv. **Licensure Census**

The Executive Director provided an update on the current licensure census in the District of Columbia.

PHARMACEUTICAL DETAILERS	917
PHARMACISTS	2,173
PHARMACY INTERNS	301
PHARMACY TECHNICIANS	1,288
PHARMACY TECHNICIAN TRAINEES	160
PHARMACISTS WITH VAC AUTHORITY	860
PHARMACY TECHNICIAN TRAINING PROGRAMS	15

v. **Updated Guidance on COVID-19 Vaccination Protocols**

- ❖ DC Health has published updated guidance on COVID-19 vaccination protocols. Board members and licensees are encouraged to review the latest recommendations at <https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/covid-19-vaccination-guidelines>. This information was recently disseminated to the District's pharmacy professional community. The Board may submit recommendations regarding this guidance for the Director's review.

vi. **Meeting Agenda Format**

- ❖ The Board of Pharmacy will use a new format for its monthly meeting agendas, which will include case assignments to board members. The new format is intended to facilitate a streamlined decision-making process.

C. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT

- Board Counsel, Ms. Carla Williams admits no report for the October 2, 2025 Open Session Meeting.

D. OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATION'S REPORT

	FY26 Budget - The FY26 budget underwent mayoral review and signature on September 4, 2025. The budget is now submitted to Congress for a congressional review and approval. Legislative Affairs Specialist, Kera Johnson, will inform the Board of updates concerning the budget approval process by the Congress as the federal government navigates a shutdown. Community Health Temporary Amendment Act of 2025 - Councilmember Henderson introduced the <i>Community Health Temporary Amendment Act of 2025</i> (B26-) on September 15, 2025. - The legislation amends the <i>District of Columbia Health Occupations Revisions Act</i> of 1985 and the <i>Consent for Vaccinations of Minors Amendment Act</i> of 2022 to authorize healthcare providers in the District to order and administer immunizations recommended by competent medical and public health organizations designated by the Director of the Department of Health. The legislation will also allow pharmacies to administer the COVID-19 vaccine without a doctor's prescription. - DC Health has published the Director's public notice regarding the COVID-19 vaccination guidelines, which were implemented on September 22, 2025 and will expire on December 21, 2025. - The Temporary bill, which will be in effect for 225 days may result in permanent measures as the Office of Government Relations collaborates with the Council on this matter.	
OS-25-10-03 ALL	<u>OPEN SESSION AGENDA</u> Board Action: Consideration of the October 2, 2025 Open Session agenda. Approval of the Open Session Agenda: Motion: Board Member, Dr. Benjamin Miles moved the Board to approve the open session agenda for October 2, 2025. Seconded by: Dr. Jamila Jorden. Roll Call Vote: Dr. Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion.	KB/AN

	Dr. Jamila Jorden: Voted in favor of the motion. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.	
OS-25-10-04 ALL	<u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u> Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the following meetings: • August 7, 2025 Open Session Meeting Minutes • September 4, 2025 Open Session Meeting Minutes Background: The Open Session Minutes are a record of the Board's past meeting(s), describing the events, list of attendees; a statement of the issues considered and related responses or decisions of the Board. Approval of the Open Session Meeting Minutes: • August 7, 2025 Open Session Meeting Minutes Motion: Board Member, Dr. Jamila Jorden moved the Board to approve the August 7, 2025 open session meeting minutes. Seconded by: Dr. Benjamin Miles. Roll Call Vote: Dr. Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion. Dr. Jamila Jorden: Voted in favor of the motion. Abstentions: None. Motion carried. • September 4, 2025 Open Session Meeting Minutes Motion: Board Member, Dr. Benjamin Miles moved the Board to approve the September 4, 2025 open session meeting minutes. Seconded by: Dr. Jamila Jorden. Roll Call Vote:	KB/AN

	Dr. Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion. Dr. Jamila Jorden: Voted in favor of the motion. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.																			
OS-25-10-05 ALL	<u>OPEN SESSION CONSENT AGENDA</u> Board Action: Consideration of the current Open Session Consent Agenda items for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting. Background: The Open Session Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting of the Board. The Board admits no Consent Agenda for the October 2, 2025 Open Session Meeting.	EW/AN																		
OS-25-10-06 ALL	<u>FY26 BOARD OF PHARMACY MEETING DATES</u> Board Action: Consideration of the proposed meeting schedule for Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26). Background: The Board of Pharmacy customarily meets on the first Thursday of each month, with the following exceptions: - No meeting is held in July or August to accommodate summer scheduling conflicts. Board will decide which month will have a break. - The January and July meeting dates should be discussed due to falling on a holiday or close to a holiday. The Board of Pharmacy will hold one in-person (IP) meeting per quarter during Fiscal Year 2026. All other meetings will be conducted virtually. Members of the public will continue to have the ability to attend all meetings virtually, including those held in person. <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Month</th><th>Meeting Date</th><th>V or IP</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>October 2025</td><td>10/02/2025</td><td>V</td></tr> <tr> <td>November 2025</td><td>11/06/2025</td><td>V</td></tr> <tr> <td>December 2025</td><td>12/04/2025</td><td>IP</td></tr> <tr> <td>January 2026</td><td>01/08/2026</td><td>V</td></tr> <tr> <td>February 2026</td><td>02/05/2026</td><td>V</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Month	Meeting Date	V or IP	October 2025	10/02/2025	V	November 2025	11/06/2025	V	December 2025	12/04/2025	IP	January 2026	01/08/2026	V	February 2026	02/05/2026	V	EW
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OS-25-10-07 ALL	<u>NABP E-NEWSLETTERS</u> Board Action: No action required Background: Highlights for the September NABP E-Newsletters. September 10, 2025 FDA’s New ‘Green List’ Aims to Prevent Unverified GLP-1 APIs From Entering US Many Pharmacies Lack Key Opioid Treatment Medication FIP Statement of Policy Recognizes the Role of Pharmacists in the Fight Against NCDs New FIP Policy Stresses Privacy and Security in AI Use	AH																					

	Flu Vaccine Not Associated with Heart Inflammation, Studies Show Single Dose of PCV Proves Effective Against IPD in Children Advance Your Knowledge with NABP Home Study Webinars September 17, 2025 FDA Releases Draft Guidance on Increasing Non-Opioid Alternative Treatments for Chronic Pain Dr. Lorna Breen Heroes' Foundation Publishes Report Revealing Barriers Stopping Some Health Care Providers from Seeking Mental Health Care HHS Develops Pilot Initiative to Tackle Hepatitis C in Individuals With SUD 'Operation Genuine Valor' Aims to Protect Veterans from Counterfeit Medications Innovations: Solving the Puzzle of Chronic Medication Shortages' Prioritize 'Patient Safety from the Start' This World Patient Safety Day Note to the Public: To receive weekly updates from NABP, please sign up by using the following link: https://nabp.pharmacy/newsroom/news/.	
OS-25-10-08 ALL	<u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> Background: To provide the public with the opportunity to comment on or provide feedback to the Board. • Meeting Attendee, Zaria Comer inquired about the application process for the Board member vacancies as mentioned by Ms. Walker. • Executive Director, Ms. Ericka Walker responded by informing Ms. Comer that two pharmacists were in process of being appointed to the Board and referred her to the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointment (MOTA) at https://motaboards.theresumator.com/apply/1L8k6Q/Board-Of-Pharmacy for further information on the appointment process.	

MOTION TO CLOSE

OS-25-10-09

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MOTION TO CLOSE

Board Action:

Board member, Dr. Benjamin Miles, moved the Board as follows:

“Madam 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).”

Seconded by: Board Member, Dr. Jamila Jorden.

Roll Call Vote:

Dr. Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion.

Dr. Jamilia Jorden: Voted in favor of the motion.

Abstentions: None.

Motion carried.

This concludes the Open/Public 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 12:23 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.

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MOTION TO ADJOURN

OS-25-09-10	<u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u>	
ALL	Board Action: To adjourn the meeting. Background: At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board. Motion: Board Member, Mr. Roderick McGill moved the Board to adjourn the Board of Pharmacy meeting for October, 2025. Seconded by: Dr. Jamila Jorden. Roll Call Vote: Dr. Benjamin Miles: Voted in favor of the motion. Dr. Jamila Jorden: Voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Roderick McGill: Voted in favor of the motion. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.	

This ends the Open Session Agenda.

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