



SOUTH DAKOTA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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South Dakota Board Welcomes Newly Registered Pharmacists and Pharmacies

Congratulations to the following nine candidates who recently met licensure requirements and were licensed as new pharmacists in South Dakota: Gwendolyn Conley, Angela Dahlgren, Antonia David, Chelsey Davis, Kyle Iannotti, Patrick Novak, Rubi Reign, Tori Tuggle, and Tristan Wieseler. Seven of these were reciprocal licenses from the states of Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, South Carolina, Texas, and Virginia. There were three South Dakota full-time pharmacy licenses issued: Genoa Healthcare, LLC, dba Genoa Healthcare, LLC, License #100-2076, Huron, SD; Continued Care LTC Pharmacy South Dakota LLC, dba Continued Care Pharmacy, License #100-2077, Sioux Falls, SD; and Lewis Family Drug, LLC, dba Lewis Family Drug #32, License #100-2078, Aberdeen, SD. There were no South Dakota part-time pharmacy licenses issued during the period. There were no new South Dakota domiciled wholesale licenses issued in the quarter.

Board Bids Farewell to Member Petrik

Leonard Petrik, PharmD, RPh, CSP, has served the South Dakota State Board of Pharmacy selflessly with professionalism, wisdom, and humor. In Lenny's nine years on the Board, he served as president as well as a member who took the protection of the health and safety of the state's residents very seriously. Lenny's third term ended in October 2021. The Board wishes him the very best!

Board Welcomes New Member

On October 26, 2021, Governor Kristi Noem appointed **Curtis Rising, PharmD, RPh**, to the Board. Curt graduated in 1995 from the University of Nebraska College of Pharmacy. After graduation, he moved to Rapid City, SD, and purchased a Medicine Shoppe Pharmacy location with his wife, Shirley. The pharmacy venture has grown to three locations in Rapid City, including long-term care, compounding, and community pharmacy.

Curt has been active in the Black Hills Pharmacists Association (where he was the president for three years), the National Community Pharmacists Association, and the Rushmore Lions Club, and he is a director for the Northern Plains Eye Foundation. Curt has also been an instructor at three dental learning centers in Colorado, Minnesota, and South Dakota. Curt received the 2016 Bowl of Hygeia for the state of South Dakota, which recognizes pharmacists who possess outstanding records of civic leadership in their communities. The Board looks forward to Curt's knowledge and expertise.

Board Welcomes New Inspector

The Board welcomes **Lee Cordell, PharmD, RPh**, to the Board's inspector staff. Lee will take the position held by Paula Stotz for the last several years. Paula will really be missed! The Board is excited that Lee will be working as a 0.25 full-time equivalent (FTE) staff member. He will remain at White Drug Enterprises, Inc, in Deadwood, SD. Carol Smith's inspector position will move to 0.5 FTE, and she will now be responsible for a larger geographical area.

DEA Issues Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Transfer of Schedule II-V CS

By Autumn Klaudt, P4 Regulatory Rotation Student

On November 19, 2021, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) issued a **notice of proposed rulemaking** to amend current regulations on transferring Schedule II-V prescriptions for initial filling. This is open for public comment until January 18, 2022. Presently, there are no DEA regulations in place that address transferring the initial filling of controlled substances (CS). Currently, if a pharmacy is unable to fill a patient's prescription, the patient contacts the prescriber and requests a new prescription to be sent to a different pharmacy. The new proposal allows pharmacies to directly transfer the initial fill to another pharmacy **exclusively** as an electronic prescription for a controlled substance (EPCS). Although EPCS is common practice, South Dakota does not mandate EPCS, which may be a barrier to this proposal. Prescriptions that were not sent as an EPCS would not be able to be transferred for the initial fill. Pharmacies face another obstacle with this proposal; as most chain pharmacies can only transfer EPCS internally within their own system. In the past, there has been no universal pharmacy system in place to allow pharmacies to electronically transfer prescriptions externally. Recently, transfers between pharmacies that are not connected via both common ownership and the same pharmacy management system can now be accomplished using a National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) RxTransfer transaction. Contact your pharmacy software provider to determine how to become certified for RxTransfer transactions through the NCPDP process.

Transferring refills of Schedule III-V prescriptions would not be affected by this proposal and could still be transferred by telephone or fax. There is a potential for diversion and fraud when controlled medications are transferred in this manner. The proposed rulemaking also goes into detail regarding the time and fiscal savings that the pharmacies, providers, and patients would benefit from with this change in activity. The Board has a **policy statement** on the transferring of all legend prescriptions prior to first fill.

New PDMP NarxCare Report 'Tile View'

By Melissa DeNoon, PDMP Director

On Wednesday, October 6, 2021, the South Dakota Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (SD PDMP) users began seeing an updated view of prescription data in the NarxCare report, via both the web portal and PDMP-integrated workflows; this is called "Tile View." The goal of the new NarxCare Tile View is to ensure a user's meaningful interaction with PDMP data. A few notable changes include: 1) The "Resources" tab has been moved to the top right of the patient report under the label "Other Tools/Metrics," and 2) the "Prescriptions," "Providers," and "Pharmacies" sections are defaulted to show 15 items. To view additional items, use the drop-down box or page selector located at either the top right or bottom right of the section.

PharmaDrop Drug Take-Back Program Update

By Melissa DeNoon, PDMP Director

Pharmacists in South Dakota had voiced concerns to the Board regarding the lack of easily accessible drug take-back receptacles for their patients and the public. The 2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration reported that 47.2% of people aged 12 or older obtained the prescription pain relievers they most recently misused from a friend or relative. The availability of drug take-back receptacles is key in reducing the avenue of diversion created by unused, unwanted, and expired drugs in an individual's medicine cabinet. The Board established a drug take-back program in 2017, placing Trilogy MedWaste's PharmaDrop receptacles in South Dakota hospitals and retail pharmacies. This program continues to provide an option for the safe disposal of an individual's nonprescription and prescription drugs, including CS, and is a key component in South Dakota's strategy to address the state's misuse, abuse, and diversion of controlled prescription drugs. Visit the Take Action section at www.avoidopioidsd.com and select Take Back Sites to find a participating pharmacy near you. The following graphs show trends from 2017 through October 2021 of the number of receptacles placed (Figure 1) and the number of pounds collected and returned for destruction (Figure 2).

Figure 1: Number of Receptacles From 2017-October 2021

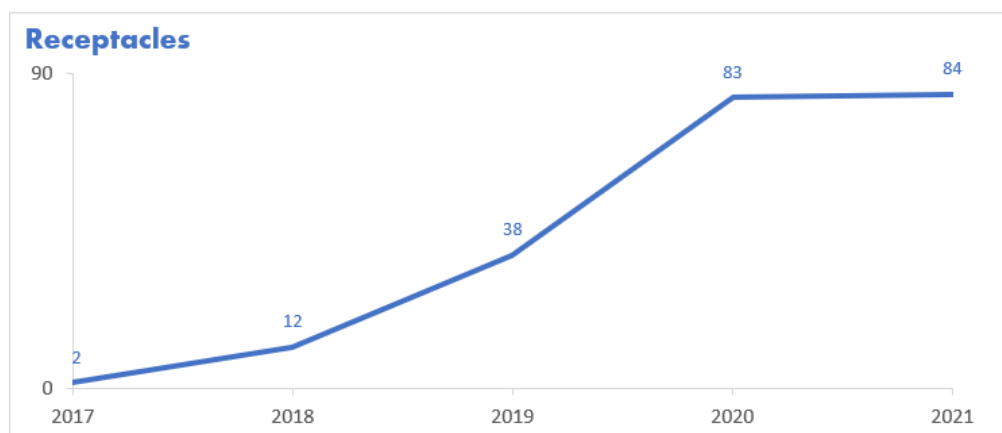
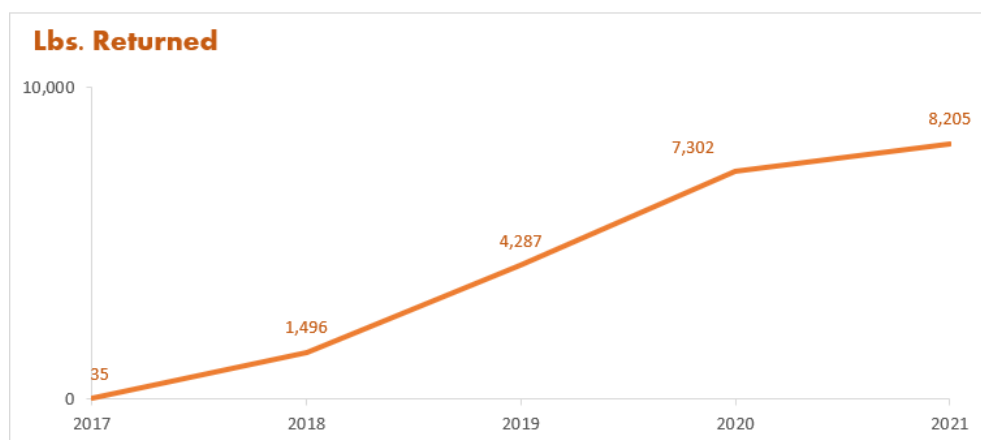


Figure 2: Number of Pounds Collected and Returned From 2017-October 2021



Board Meeting Dates

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