### Board of Pharmacy News Roundup - April 2025

Welcome to the monthly News Roundup from the California State Board of Pharmacy. To receive more details on any of the information reported here, click on the Board's website, <a href="https://www.pharmacy.ca.gov">www.pharmacy.ca.gov</a>.

# Upcoming Meeting: ALL meetings are open to the public; all are encouraged to attend.

- Legislation and Regulation Committee Meeting April 9, 2025, click here for additional information on the meeting.
   https://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/about/meetings\_leg\_reg.shtml
- Full Board Meeting April 9-10, 2025, click here for additional information on the meeting. <a href="https://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/about/meetings-full.shtml">https://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/about/meetings-full.shtml</a>

## \*New\* Report a Drug Theft/Drug Loss Online Portal:

The Board of Pharmacy has implemented a new online portal to report a drug theft/drug loss of controlled substances. Submissions via the online portal will ensure that the board is receiving all required information pertaining to California Code of Regulations, Title 16, §1715.6. Although not required, we encourage using the new online portal for future reporting. Please use link below.

https://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/webapplications/apps/drug loss/index.shtml

# **Regulation for Pharmacist-In-Charge (PIC) Training:**

Starting April 1, 2025, prior to Board approval, PIC's must complete the Board of Pharmacy provided training course and complete an attestation of completion.

<u>Click here</u> for a slideshow that includes information on PIC: Overview and Responsibility, or use this link:

https://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/meetings/agendas/2024/24 dec bd mat vii att 1.pdf

### **Learning Management System: PharmED**

The Board has a new Learning Management System (LMS) named PharmEd to provide Continuing Education webinars. This new system allows pharmacists to take webinar trainings, track progress and provides certificates. PharmEd can be found on the Board website. It is a user-friendly webpage that provides the links for trainings in Law and Ethics, Furnishing HIV Preexposure and Postexposure Prophylaxis, and Furnishing Naloxone. If it is your fist time using PharmEd you will need to create an account. <a href="https://pharmed.thinkific.com/">https://pharmed.thinkific.com/</a>

### Friendly Reminder!

As of January 1, 2025, licenses that are eligible for renewal will be processed online. Those who are eligible include:

- o **Pharmacist**
- Advanced Practice Pharmacist
- Pharmacy Technician
- o <u>Designated Representative Wholesaler</u>
- o Designated Representative Veterinary Food-Animal Drug Retailer
- o <u>Designated Representative 3PL</u>
- Designated Representative Reverse Distributor

Paper renewal applications will no longer be mailed out to licensees. In its place, a postcard reminder will be sent approximately six weeks prior to the license expiration date and the licensee will renew by going to <a href="www.pharmacy.ca.gov">www.pharmacy.ca.gov</a>. The postcard is only a reminder, if the licensee does not receive a postcard, they are still required to submit their payment on-time to avoid a delinquency fee and possible cancellation of the license.

For Pharmacists and Advanced Practice Pharmacists, if your license **expired more than two years ago**, you are not eligible to renew your license online. Contact the Board at RenewalStatus@dca.ca.gov for assistance.

# Fee Changed January 1, 2025

There is a fee change that started January 1, 2025. Click here for the new fee schedule.

There is a fee decrease for technicians to make it more affordable and to help individuals maintain their license. Fees have been established within the statutory range, but at a lower rate than the established pre-set amount. The Board voted to lower the pharmacy technician renewal fee from \$180 to \$150 every two years. The fee for the issuance of a pharmacy technician license is \$120, decreased from \$195. The penalty fee for failure to renew has been decreased to \$75, this is down from \$97.50.

#### Links to help find renewal and fee information:

Personal License Renewal, <u>click here.</u>
Facility License Information Renewal, <u>click here.</u>
Fee Schedule, <u>click here.</u>
Important information for licensees, click here.