

Board of Pharmacy News Roundup – August 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, www.pharmacy.ca.gov.

Upcoming Meeting: ALL meetings are open to the public; all are encouraged to attend. Please check <https://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/> for meeting dates and times.

Rite Aid Closures

Rite Aid is in the process of selling assets, including prescriptions, to other pharmacies. The Board is closely monitoring the Rite Aid bankruptcy proceedings and anticipated pharmacy closures in California. The Board strongly encourages pharmacies to consider if they may be impacted by Rite Aid closures in their respective areas and, if so, to begin taking steps to assist patients who may be seeking pharmacy services.

Reminder: [Business and Professions Code section 4064](#) establishes provisions for emergency refill of prescriptions without prescriber authorization under specified conditions. [It may be helpful to recommend patients bring in their prescription containers when seeking an emergency refill.](#)

California Medication Error Reporting (CAMER)

Register with ISMP to report medication errors to the California Medication Error Reporting (CAMER) system. Medication errors that occur on or after September 1, 2025, must be reported to the CAMER system. For information on how to register with ISMP's medication error reporting program, click here <https://mederrors.ismp.org/>. For technical issues please email clientservices@ecri.org. FAQs regarding medication error reporting can be found [here](#).

Self-Assessment Forms: July 1, 2025, Deadline

[Self-assessment forms](#) need to be completed by July 1, 2025 (Every odd-numbered year). The updated forms can be found on the website; however, it is not mandatory to use the updated form, an alternate final version will be

accepted. The draft forms are posted on the website:

https://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/licensees/facility/self_assess.shtml.

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

NEW PIC Training Webinar

A new [Pharmacist-in-Charge training webinar](#) is now available on the California State Board of Pharmacy website.

This webinar provides an overview of pharmacy law related to the position and the responsibility of a pharmacist when associating as the Pharmacist-in-Charge of a licensed facility. One hour of CE will be awarded for completing the webinar training; however, it does not count toward the required 2 hours of CE for Law and Ethics.

To take this course you must sign up for a PharmED account. [Click here](#) to sign up for an account or use this link: <https://pharmed.thinkific.com/>

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