

NEBRASKA BOARD OF PHARMACY

MEETING MINUTES

September 14, 2026

ROLL CALL

Charles Tomlinson, PharmD, R.P., Chairperson, called the meeting of the Board of Pharmacy to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Husker Conference Room at the Hampton Inn & Suites, located at 7343 Husker Circle, Lincoln, Nebraska. The meeting was conducted In-Person and by WebEx. The following Board members answered the roll call:

Charles Tomlinson, R.P., Chairperson
Kenneth Kester, PharmD, R.P., J.D. Vice-Chairperson, via WebEx
Amy McMurtry, RP, Secretary, via WebEx
Sabrina Beck, R.P
Darrell Klein, J.D.
Amy Pohlman, PharmD, MHA
Julie Wollberg, CPht

Absent: None

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened.

Also present were: Dean Willson, R.P., Pharmacy Inspector; Melissa Pollard, R.P., Pharmacy Inspector; John Hayes, R.P., Pharmacy Inspector; Vonda Apking, Program Manager; Jan Gadeken-Harris, Health Licensing Coordinator; Mindy Lester, Assistant Attorney General; Ellie Rohr, Department Attorney; Hayle Alvarado, Investigator and Tricia Allen, Program Manager with the Investigation Unit.

Tomlinson announced that there is a copy of all the public documents being reviewed at this meeting available in the meeting room pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were e-mailed to the Board members and other interested parties, posted on the DHHS web site:

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx> and posted on the Bulletin Board at the main entrance of the Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68508 on August 31, 2026 and revision posted on September 10, 2026.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

Adoption of Agenda

Klein moved, seconded by Beck, to approve the agenda as presented with the Chair having the authority to rearrange agenda items as needed. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

Additions, Modification, Reordering

There are no additions, modifications, or reordering at this time.

Adoption of Consent Agenda(s)

The Board requested that the following applications be removed from the Consent Agenda:

- Blair, Kalea – Pharmacy Technician Initial application
- Prince, Brittney - Pharmacy Technician Initial application
- Mason, Kelsey – Reinstatement application
- Gatlin, William – Pharmacist Preliminary Conviction Review application
- Hanes, Jamie, – Pharmacist Reinstatement after Discipline application
- Kesin Pharma Corporation – Wholesale Pharmacy Initial application

The Board had no Pharmaceutical Care Agreements that needed to be removed from the Consent Agenda:

Klein moved, seconded by Beck, to approve the adoption of the Consent Agendas as amended. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION – Pharmacy to Pharmacy Marketplaces – Shabbir Imber Safdar, Partnership for Safe Medicines

Supply Chain Safety in Pharmacy-to-Pharmacy Marketplaces – for more information regarding this presentation contact Shabbir Imber Safdar, Executive Director, Partnership for Safe Medicines

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The presentation covers the mechanics of how these criminal schemes work, what the risks to pharmacies are, what the latest civil lawsuit revealed, and most importantly, what the legal compliance obligations are for pharmacies buying products from these platforms.

Terri Miller, RP, DASPL
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Ms. Miller asked Mr. Safdar to also share the presentation with Creighton and UNMC.

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS, DISCIPLINARY REPORTS, CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AUDIT REPORTS & APPLICATION REVIEW – CLOSED SESSION

Klein moved, seconded by Beck, to go into closed session at 9:25 a.m. for the purpose of review and discussion of investigative reports, licensure applications, and other confidential information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

Board Break 11:23 a.m.

Board Reconvened 11:30 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 11:35 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 20, 2026

Klein noted one correction on Page 5 – the minutes were amended to say:

Klein gave his opinion that requiring an individual to resubmit the I-9 is contrary to law and that Data Security training is a good idea, however it is not a requirement as a Board Member.

Klein moved, seconded by Pohlman, to approve July 20, 2026, minutes as amended. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS ON APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION

Pharmacy Technician Initial Application(s) (2)

BLAIR, KALEA – Pharmacy Technician Initial Application to practice as a Pharmacy Technician – Wollberg moved, seconded by Klein to recommend denial of the application for Pharmacy Technician Registration. The basis of the denial is lack of good character. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

PRINCE, BRITTNEY - Pharmacy Technician Initial Application to practice as a Pharmacy Technician – Klein moved, seconded by Wollberg to recommend tabling the application for Pharmacy Technician Registration for additional information. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

Pharmacist Reinstatement Application(s) (1)

MASON, KELSEY - Pharmacist Reinstatement Application to practice as a Pharmacist – Klein moved, seconded by Wollberg to recommend approval to reinstate the Pharmacist license with no additional administrative penalty. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

Pharmacist Reinstatement after Discipline Application(s) (1)

HANES, JAMIE – Pharmacist Reinstatement after Discipline Application to practice as a Pharmacist – Pohlman moved, seconded by Beck to approve the application for reinstatement to practice as a Pharmacist with a three (3) year probation subject to usual terms and conditions for substance abuse and a limitation to not act as a Pharmacist-In-Charge. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

Pharmacist Preliminary Conviction Review Application(s) (1)

GATLIN, WILLIAM – Pharmacist Preliminary Conviction Review Application – Klein moved, seconded by Pohlman to confirm that based on information available at the time of the review there is no information to preclude licensure. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

Wholesale Pharmacy Initial Application(s) (1)

KESSIN PHARMA CORPORATION – Beck moved, seconded by Klein to recommend denial of the Wholesale license. Basis is past conviction history of the individual listed as the designated representative supervisor, however they can reapply with a different individual listed as the designated representative supervisor. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

RATIFICATION OF E-MAIL BALLOTS SINCE LAST MEETING

There were no E-Mail Ballots to present.

REVIEW OF PHARMACEUTICAL CARE AGREEMENT(S) (29)

There were no Pharmaceutical Care Agreements that needed further review at this time:

The Board of Pharmacy acknowledges receipt of the Pharmaceutical Care Agreements.

PRESENTATION – Pharmacy to Pharmacy Marketplaces – Lane Wardrop, InStock Rx

InStockRx brings verified pharmacies together to buy what they need and sell what they don't, helping pharmacies reduce excess inventory, source medications in the quantities they need, and put valuable inventory back to work.

No dues increase, no new line item, no extra paperwork. Members simply list, get an offer, and get paid, while InStockRx handles verification and compliance in the background.

This is a well-vetted, closely monitored system, built so independent pharmacies can collaborate the way chains already do, without cutting any corners on compliance.

Every trade on InStockRx is between two verified, licensed, DEA-registered pharmacies, so compliance runs quietly in the background of every transaction, not as an afterthought.

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LEGISLATION UPDATE

Haley Pertzborn, Pharm D, Executive Director, NE Pharmacists Association was unavailable for the meeting, however she sent a note to the Board indicating that the NPA is forming a Pharmacy Technician workgroup to evaluate the current Pharmacy Technician Registration and Certification process.

REGULATIONS UPDATE

The Regulations for Pharmacy and Pharmacists have been opened for review. When proposed draft regulations have been developed the proposed draft will be presented to the Board for review and approval.

DISCUSSION(S)

A. Updates from the uMPJE 9/8/2026 meeting:

Present: Ken Kester, Charles Tomlinson, Teri Miller, Vonda Apking, Melissa Pollard

Absent: Ally Dering-Anderson, Haley Pertzborn, Ellie Rohr

Recommendations for 9/14/26 Board of Pharmacy meeting:

- The Board of Pharmacy should adopt a Plus One Module for Nebraska law required for initial licensure and reciprocity.
- The same module should be used for both initial licensure/reciprocity and biennial renewal.
- The module should focus on pharmacy practice and patient safety.
- Initial discussion of the recommendation of a Plus One Module for initial licensure/reciprocity at the next BOP meeting should take place during closed session, followed by open session discussion.
- If the Board pursues requiring a Plus One Module, it should consider making the Module available to P3s.
- Ms. Rohr's opinion is that it is not necessary to change the relevant statute (38-2851) in order to require a Plus One module for initial licensure/reciprocity.
- The Board should consider requiring the Law CE module for pharmacy technician registration renewal.
- We recommend pursuing the following for the DHHS website:
 - Ability to submit a new application online. (Pharmacist, pharmacist intern, technician)
 - Ability to pay online (all of the above)
 - Ability to request certification or verification of license and pay online
 - Ability to request a name change and submit necessary documentation online

The meeting adjourned at: 16:00

Submitted by Ken Kester

Klein moved, seconded by Pohlman, to approve the recommendations from the committee meeting. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

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Allison Dering-Anderson, R.P., PharmD
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During the uMPJE discussion, Ms. Miller and Dr. Dering-Anderson both stated their hope that there would be no additional cost.

Ms. Miller suggested that if a Board of Pharmacy quarterly newsletter should be developed a central location for this information to be shared would be to have it listed on the NABP (National Association of Board of Pharmacy) website.

Amy McMurtry, Secretary for the Board of Pharmacy, agreed to investigate the consideration of developing a newsletter.

B. Remote Dispensing Pharmacy Supervision by a Pharmacist at home:

Statutes only authorize the DHHS Pharmacy Inspector to inspect the supervising pharmacy and the remote dispensing pharmacy. The Inspector is not permitted to go into the home of a supervising pharmacist for an inspection.

C. Pharmacy Technician – consideration of change in Statute for a “Provisional” license

Darrel Klein volunteered to develop language for a “Provisional” license to be submitted for consideration.

D. PQAR (Pharmacy Quality Assurance Report) 2027 Form

Melissa Pollard submitted the 2027 PQAR form to the Board for approval.

Klein moved, seconded by Beck to approve the 2027 PQAR form. Voting aye: Beck, Kester, Klein, McMurtry, Pohlman, Tomlinson and Wollberg. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

2026 DISTRICT FIVE NABP/AACP 89th ANNUAL MEETING – August 6 – 8, 2026- HASTINGS, MN

Sabrina Beck attended the meeting representing the Nebraska Board of Pharmacy.

Key points for the meeting:

1. Advancing Interprofessional Regulatory Collaboration and Education Regarding Pharmacist Scope of Practice

- **The Problem:** Pharmacy practice has evolved to include advanced clinical services (such as prescribing, immunization, and point-of-care testing). However, other healthcare regulatory boards (like those for medicine and nursing) often lack a clear understanding of modern pharmacy training and authority.
- **The Proposed Action:** The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) is called upon to develop standardized resources and toolkits.
- **The Goal:** These tools will assist state boards of pharmacy in educating other healthcare regulatory boards to build consensus, foster professional collaboration, and ensure that pharmacists are effectively and safely integrated into the broader healthcare system.

2. Central Repository for State License Verification and Authenticity Resources

- **The Problem:** Verifying licensure, certificates of authenticity, and "Doing Business As" (DBA) documentation is essential for regulatory accuracy, but accessing this information across different states can be inefficient.
- **The Proposed Action:** The NABP will create and maintain a centralized, updated repository containing authoritative links to official state websites for license verification and registration documentation.
- **The Goal:** To provide a reliable, "one-stop" resource for member states to streamline the licensing and renewal process, improve regulatory transparency, and promote consistency across jurisdictions.

The next meeting will be held May 11-14, 2027, in New Orleans.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next Board of Pharmacy meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2026.

To view the projected schedule for 2026 and 2027 go to: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx>

These minutes have not been reviewed or approved by the Board of Pharmacy

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the meeting at 12:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

(signature on file with the Department)

Amy McMurtry, RP, Secretary
Board of Pharmacy