

Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2019

ALASKA BOARD OF PHARMACY



**Department of Commerce, Community
and Economic Development**

**Division of Corporations, Business
and Professional Licensing**

This annual performance report is presented in accordance with
Alaska statute AS 08.01.070(10).

Its purpose is to report the accomplishments, activities, and the
past and present needs of the licensing program.

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Identification of the Board

Board Member	Duty Station	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Richard Holt, PharmD, MBA Chair	Eagle River, AK	Mar 01, 2016	Mar 01, 2020
Leif Holm, PharmD	Fairbanks, AK	Mar 01, 2019	Mar 01, 2023
Tammy Lindemuth, Public Member	Anchorage, AK	Jan 24, 2018	Mar 01, 2021
Sharon Long, Public Member	Anchorage, AK	Mar 01, 2018	Mar 01, 2022
Phil Sanders, RPh Vice Chair	Soldotna, AK	Mar 01, 2016	Mar 01, 2020
James Henderson, RPh	Soldotna, AK	Mar 01, 2017	Dec 01, 2021
Lana Bell, RPh Secretary	Anchorage, AK	Mar 01, 2018	Mar 01, 2022

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Identification of Staff

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Narrative Statement

The board held several in-person and teleconference meetings during FY 19 as follows:

- August 30-31, 2018: in-person meeting in Anchorage
- October 12, 2018: teleconference
- November 29-30, 2018: in-person meeting in Anchorage
- March 7-8, 2018: in-person meeting in Anchorage

Regulations Projects:

The Alaska Board of Pharmacy “the board” had a heavy work load related to regulatory projects required by statute and worked on creating new and amending current regulations to more reflect current standards and practices of pharmacy today.

New or amended regulations as a result of statutory requirements included:

- SB32
 - Introduced interchangeable biological products resulting in amending regulation 12 AAC 52.510.
- SB37
 - Introduced an Executive Administrator for the board and 3 new licensing categories.
 - Creation of regulation 12 AAC 52.993 EXECUTIVE ADMINISTOR.
 - Amended regulations 12 AAC 52.610 to 12 AAC 52.695 related to wholesale drug distributors.
 - Creation of regulation 12 AAC 52.696 OUTSOURCING FACILITIES.
 - Creation of regulation 12 AAC 52.697 THIRD-PARTY LOGISTICS PROVIDERS.

The Board Chair and Vice-Chair provided legislative testimony in support of SB38 as it related the registration of pharmacy benefits managers, procedures, guidelines and enforcement mechanisms for pharmacy audits, cost of multi-source generic drugs and insurance reimbursement procedures.

In addition to the regulation projects mentioned above, the board worked towards introduction of new regulations and amending current regulations to reflect changes to current standards and practices of pharmacy, including:

- **12 AAC 52.010. Classifications of licensure**, is proposed to be changed to add new licensing categories including third-party logistics providers, outsourcing facilities, and out-of-state wholesale drug distributors.
- **12 AAC 52.050. Closed pharmacies**, is proposed to be changed to amend the requirement that when a pharmacy closes its business it must submit a form provided by the department.
- **12 AAC 52.070. Application for pharmacist license by examination**, is proposed to be changed to amend the checklist requirements for pharmacist license by examination application.

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- **12 AAC 52.095. Application for pharmacist license by reciprocity**, is proposed to be changed to amend the checklist requirements for pharmacist license by reciprocity application.
- **12 AAC 52.105. Temporary license for military personnel or the spouse of active duty military personnel**, is a proposed new section for temporary license application for military personnel or spouses of active duty military personnel.
- **12 AAC 52.110. Emergency pharmacist permit**, is proposed to be changed to repeal the need to take the state jurisprudence examination.
- **12 AAC 52.120. Review of pharmacist intern license application**, is proposed to be changed to repeal the need to obtain sponsorship and add a new regulation that intern licenses supersede pharmacy technician licenses.
- **12 AAC 52.150. Proof of licensure for individual pharmacists working for tribal health program**, is proposed to add new regulations around out of state licensed pharmacists providing proof of licensure when working for tribal health programs in this state.
- **12 AAC 52.220. Pharmacist interns**, is proposed to amend the regulation that a pharmacist intern may perform any duties of a pharmacy technician.
- **12 AAC 52.240. Pharmacist collaborative practice authority**, is proposed to be changed to add that they can't result in a pharmacist dispensing or administering any schedule I, II, III, or IV controlled substance and acknowledging that the authorizing practitioner will not receive any compensation from a pharmacist or pharmacy as a result of the care or treatment of any patient under the agreement.
- **12 AAC 52.340. Approved programs**, is proposed to be changed to clarify the type of ACPE program certificates that are approved for continuing education.
- **12 AAC 52.423. Remote pharmacy license**, is proposed to be changed to remove the distance requirement for renewals.
- **12 AAC 52.425. Telepharmacy system for a remote pharmacy**, is proposed to be changed to amend employment requirements, shipping drugs to a remote pharmacy from the central pharmacy or wholesale distributor, maintaining records requirements, labelling requirements, and repealing the pharmacist-in-charge of the central pharmacy maintaining compliance.
- **12 AAC 52.465. Controlled substance prescription drug orders**, is a proposed new section to allow partial filling of schedule II controlled substances.
- **12 AAC 52.470. Refills**, is proposed to be changed to amend the ability to dispense up to a 100-day supply and can dispense any quantity with conditions.
- **12 AAC 52.500. Transfer of a prescription drug order**, is proposed to be amended to remove refills from what is allowed.

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Narrative Statement (continued)

- **12 AAC 52.530. Return or exchange of drugs**, is proposed to be changed to amend the ability of a patient to return medication to a pharmacy if it was filled incorrectly or was recalled by the manufacturer or FDA.
- **12 AAC 52.920. Disciplinary guidelines**, is proposed to be changed to add sexual orientation or gender identity discrimination as a basis for potential disciplinary action and add civil fines associated with failure to meet continuing education requirements.
- **12 AAC 52.925. Grounds for denial or discipline for criminal history**, is a proposed new section that establishes grounds for denying or disciplining a licensee under the ability to practice competently and safely.
- **12 AAC 52.985. Emergency preparedness**, is proposed to add new regulations regarding emergency preparedness and what pharmacies can dispense under emergencies declared by the governor.
- **12 AAC 52.995. Definitions**, is proposed to add a new definition for “facility manager” and “moral turpitude”.

The board continues to discuss and work on regulations that reflect current standards and practices of pharmacy, including, but not limited to:

- 12 AAC 52.095 APPLICATION FOR PHARMACIST LICENSE BY RECIPROCITY ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.140 PHARMACY TECHNICIAN LICENSE ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.210 PHARMACIST DUTIES ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.220 INTERNS ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.230 PHARMACY TECHNICIANS ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.235 APPROVED NATIONALLY CERTIFIED PHARMACY TECHNICIAN FUNCTIONS ***NEW***
- 12 AAC 52.420 SECURITY ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.421 AUTOMATED PRESCRIPTION DISPENSING MACHINES ***NEW***
- 12 AAC 52.423 REMOTE PHARMACY LICENSE ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.460 PRESCRIPTION DRUG ORDER INFORMATION ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.470 REFILLS ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.480 LABELING ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.500 TRANSFER OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG ORDER ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.510 SUBSTITUTION ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.585 MANDATORY PATIENT COUNSELING ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.865 REPORTING AND REVIEWING PDMP INFORMATION ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.992 INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES AND RELATED EMERGENCY MEDICATIONS ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.995 DEFINITIONS ***AMEND***

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The board is also asked to attend the annual meeting each year. NABP Annual Meetings provide pharmacy board members and staff, as well as other pharmacy stakeholders, with an opportunity to take an active role in protecting the public health. The gatherings serve as the venue for boards of pharmacy to elect members of the NABP Executive Committee, to review and vote on NABP policies via resolutions, and to guide the direction of the Association. Attendees will also have the chance to participate in timely continuing education sessions, business sessions, and networking opportunities. Reimbursement is provided for one board member to attend by NABP.

National Associations of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP):

The Board of Pharmacy continues to participate in the process of keeping current the pools of questions for the law exam given to pharmacists prior to licensing in Alaska. This is a formal exam called the Multi-State Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE), operated by NABP, which requires an Alaska pool of questions to be reviewed annually. The board is also asked to attend the annual district meeting for our respective district. Held annually, the district meetings bring together members of the boards of pharmacy and faculty of the colleges and schools of pharmacy in each of the association's eight districts to discuss regional issues of mutual concern, as well as national issues affecting the districts. Reimbursement is provided for one board member to attend by NABP. Due to the importance of the meeting the board will continue to budget for attendance.

Quarterly Board Meetings: The board meets on a quarterly basis and has been asked over the last couple of years to substitute live meetings with teleconferencing. The board has attempted this and feels that it is not an effective means to hold our meetings and be as productive as we feel we could be if we were to meet in person over longer days. Our board is financially capable of holding meetings in person without a burden to the state and would prefer to do so. It is our request and recommendation that as a self-sufficient board from a fiscal perspective, we travel to Anchorage for live meetings.

Licensing Actions:

The board conducted reviews of licensing issues as presented by the board's assigned investigator and paralegal, and actions were passed as warranted.

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Budget Recommendations for FY 2020

The Budget Recommendations section anticipates the board’s fiscal priorities for the upcoming year. Please complete all parts of this section with details about anticipated meetings, conferences, memberships, supplies, equipment, to other board requests. Meeting expenses that are being funded through third-party reimbursement or direct booking must be identified separately from expenses paid through license fees (receipt-supported services or RSS). Be sure to explain any items listed as “other” so they may be tracked appropriately.

#1 Rank

(Rank board meetings in order of importance)

Board Meeting Date	Location	# Board	# Staff
November 2019 - TBD	Anchorage	7	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:			\$2,000.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:			\$1,600.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground:			\$500.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: M&IE			\$900.00
Total Estimated Cost:			\$5,000.00

#2 Rank

(Rank board meetings in order of importance)

Board Meeting Date	Location	# Board	# Staff
January 2020 - TBD	Anchorage	7	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:			\$2,000.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:			\$1,600.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground:			\$500.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: M&IE			\$900.00
Total Estimated Cost:			\$5,000.00

#3 Rank

(Rank board meetings in order of importance)

Board Meeting Date	Location	# Board	# Staff
March 2020 - TBD	Anchorage	7	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:			\$2,000.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:			\$1,600.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground:			\$500.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: M&IE			\$900.00
Total Estimated Cost:			\$5,000.00

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Budget Recommendations for FY 2020 (continued)

#4 Rank

(Rank board meetings in order of importance)

Board Meeting Date	Location	# Board	# Staff
June 2020 - TBD	Anchorage		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:			\$2,000.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:			\$1,600.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground:			\$500.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: M&IE			\$900.00
Total Estimated Cost:			\$5,000.00

Travel Required to Perform Examinations

Not applicable

Date	Location	# Board	# Staff
			0
Total Estimated Cost:			\$0.00

Out-of-State Meetings and Additional In-State Travel

Not applicable

Date	Location	# Board	# Staff
May 14-16, 2020	Baltimore, MD	2	0

Description of meeting and its role in supporting the mission of the Board:

The NABP Annual Meeting is important for a Board of Pharmacy Member to attend. There are educational opportunities, group discussions and NABP business meeting where attending member can participate to vote on Amendments to the constitution and Bylaws and discuss and vote on Resolutions. NABP has a travel grant they will reimburse \$1,500 for a member to attend.

Expenditure	License Fees (RSS)	Third-Party Reimbursement	Third-Party Direct Booked	Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground:	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Conference:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Describe "Other" (break out all sections):				
Net Total:	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00

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Out-of-State Meetings and Additional In-State Travel

Date	Location	# Board	# Staff	
Oct 6-8, 2019	Boise, Idaho	1	0	
Description of meeting and its role in supporting the mission of the Board:				
The NABP District 6, 7 & 8 Meeting is important to attend due to the detail work of the organization that is done at the district meeting, and a great networking opportunity with the other districts such as WA, OR, and ID to discuss regional issues of mutual concern as well as national issues. NABP has a travel grant that will reimburse \$1,500 for a member attend. Districts 6, 7 & 8 involve a total of 23 states and jurisdictions.				
Expenditure	License Fees (RSS)	Third-Party Reimbursement	Third-Party Direct Booked	Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground:	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Conference:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
Describe "Other" (break out all sections):		M&IE		
Net Total:	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00

Out-of-State Meetings and Additional In-State Travel

Date	Location	# Board	# Staff	
September 12-13, 2019	Chicago, IL	2	0	
Description of meeting and its role in supporting the mission of the Board:				
The NABP MPJE State Specific Review Meeting. This meeting requires two people from the Board of Pharmacy to attend to reviewed questions to include on the Alaska MPJE. NABP Third-Party Direct Books for two people to attend: \$1,500 each.				
Expenditure	License Fees (RSS)	Third-Party Reimbursement	Third-Party Direct Booked	Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Ground:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Conference:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Describe "Other" (break out all sections):		M&IE		
Net Total:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00

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Out-of-State Meetings and Additional In-State Travel

Date	Location	# Board	# Staff	
TBD 2020	Washington DC	0	2	
Description of meeting and its role in supporting the mission of the Board:				
The Alaska Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) was the recipient of the 2017 Harold Rogers enhancement grant, which provided funds to enhance the existing state PDMP. The Harold Rogers Awardee meeting is a required annual meeting for state PDMP administrators. This travel is 100% grant-funded.				
Expenditure	License Fees (RSS)	Third-Party Reimbursement	Third-Party Direct Booked	Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:	\$0.00	\$2,161.70	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:	\$0.00	\$1,041.90	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Ground:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conference:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	\$0.00	\$608.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Describe "Other" (break out all sections):		M&IE		
Net Total:	\$0.00	\$3,811.60	\$0.00	\$0.00

Out-of-State Meetings and Additional In-State Travel

Date	Location	# Board	# Staff	
TBD 2020	Boston, MA	0	1	
Description of meeting and its role in supporting the mission of the Board:				
The International Conference on Opioids brings together clinical and regulatory experts to address the nation's opioid epidemic. Attendance at this meeting provides support to multi-agency efforts to combat this issue and informs the PDMP administrator of strategies and tools needed to improve the database and				
Expenditure	License Fees (RSS)	Third-Party Reimbursement	Third-Party Direct Booked	Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:	\$0.00	\$709.71	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:	\$0.00	\$956.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Ground:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conference:	\$0.00	\$849.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	\$0.00	\$284.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Describe "Other" (break out all sections):		M&IE		
Net Total:	\$0.00	\$2,798.71	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Out-of-State Meetings and Additional In-State Travel

Date	Location	# Board	# Staff	
TBD	Atlanta, GA	0	1	
Description of meeting and its role in supporting the mission of the Board:				
The PDMP is funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which awarded the state funds for its Data Driven Prevention Initiative (DDPI). Funding is used to support education and outreach activities for mandatory use following SB 37 and HB 157.				
Expenditure	License Fees (RSS)	Third-Party Reimbursement	Third-Party Direct Booked	Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:	\$0.00	\$2,161.70	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:	\$0.00	\$1,041.90	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Ground:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conference:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	\$0.00	\$608.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Describe "Other" (break out all sections):		M&IE		
Net Total:	\$0.00	\$3,811.60	\$0.00	\$0.00

Out-of-State Meetings and Additional In-State Travel

Date	Location	# Board	# Staff	
November 7-10, 2020	San Diego, CA	1	1	
Description of meeting and its role in supporting the mission of the Board:				
The American Society for Pharmacy Law highlights trending topics affecting the pharmacy profession and brings together regulations from around the nation. Attendance at this meeting will keep the state apprised of current pharmacy trends.				
Expenditure	License Fees (RSS)	Third-Party Reimbursement	Third-Party Direct Booked	Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airfare:	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel:	\$0.00	\$1,00.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Ground:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conference:	\$0.00	\$TBD	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	\$0.00	\$440.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Describe "Other" (break out all sections):		M&IE		
Net Total:	\$0.00	\$2,940.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Budget Recommendations for FY 2020 (continued)

Non-Travel Budget Requests

- Not Applicable Resources Examinations
 Membership Training Other

Product or Service	Provider	Cost Per Event
		\$0.00

Description of item and its role in supporting the mission of the Board:

Other Items with a Fiscal Impact

Cost Per Event: **\$0.00**

- Not Applicable

Number of Events: **0**

Product or Service	Provider	Total Cost
		\$0.00

Description of item and its role in supporting the mission of the Board:

Summary of FY 2020 Fiscal Requests

Board Meetings and Teleconferences:	\$20,000.00
Travel for Exams:	\$0.00
Out-of-State and Additional In-State Travel:	\$6,000.00
Dues, Memberships, Resources, Training:	\$0.00
Total Potential Third-Party Offsets:	-\$6,000.00
Other:	\$0.00
Total Requested:	\$20,000.00

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Legislation Recommendations Proposed Legislation for FY 2020

No Recommendations

The Board has no recommendations for proposed legislation at this time.

Recommendations

The Board has the following recommendations for proposed legislation:

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Regulation Recommendations Proposed Legislation for FY 2020

No Recommendations

The Board has no recommendations for proposed regulations at this time.

Recommendations

The Board has the following recommendations for proposed regulations:

The board will continue to evaluate the fast paced change in the practice of pharmacy nationwide and address any regulatory changes as they arise. The board has a heavy project list including those previously mentioned in this report.

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Goals and Objectives

Part I

FY 2019's goals and objectives, and how they were met:

- With passage of SB32 and SB37 the board of pharmacy has written and sent regulations to public comment to comply with those statutory changes. The public comment period has ended, and the board is waiting to review the comments at our next publicly notice board meeting. Based on the comments, the board will make a decision on how to proceed.
- The board continues to write and evaluate regulations related to nationally certified pharmacy technicians and is an active project. This is taking some time due to its complexity and the number of regulatory changes that will need to take place as a result of their introduction.

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Goals and Objectives

Part II

FY 2020's goals and objectives, and proposed methods to achieve them.

Describe any strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats and required resources:

Board of Pharmacy Mission:

To promote, preserve, and protect the public health, safety and welfare by and through the effective control and regulation of the practice of pharmacy.

The Board of Pharmacy goals and objectives remain fluid and the board tries to meet its goals and objectives in a proactive manner. It is always the board's goal of introducing legislation and regulation projects to advance our mission. These will continue in FY 20.

Goals and Objectives for FY 2020

1) The board will continue to promote, preserve, and protect the public, safety, and welfare by and through the effective control and regulation of the practice of pharmacy. The board has a very aggressive list of regulations that will be reviewed and potentially finalized in FY 20 to advance this goal, including but not limited to:

- 12 AAC 52.095 APPLICATION FOR PHARMACIST LICENSE BY RECIPROCITY ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.140 PHARMACY TECHNICIAN LICENSE ***AMEND***
- 12 AAC 52.210 PHARMACIST DUTIES ***AMEND***
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- 12 AAC 52.995 DEFINITIONS ***AMEND***

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Goals and Objectives (continued)

Part II

FY 2020's goals and objectives, and proposed methods to achieve them.

Describe any strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats and required resources:

- 2) The board will continue to provide input and comment on any proposed legislation involving medications, pharmaceutical care, or the practice of pharmacy.
- 3) The board will continue to promote effective patient counseling by licensees.
- 4) The board will continue to assess and evaluate the multi-state pharmacy jurisprudence examination (MPJE) and send two members to the MPJE Item Development workshop.
- 5) The board will continue to assess and evaluate the licensing of pharmacy technicians and discuss the introduction, recognition, and duties for a nationally certified pharmacy technician.
- 6) The board will continue to assess and evaluate the jurisprudence practice exam and its effectiveness as a learning tool for interns.
- 7) The board will continue its affiliation with the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) and send one member to the District 7 NABP meeting and two members to the annual NABP meeting.
- 8) The board will continue to evaluate the impact of current regulations and the need for new regulations or amendments to current regulations to advance our mission.
- 9) The board will continue to assess and evaluate the growing public concern regarding the abuse of illicit and prescription drugs, internet pharmacies, counterfeit drugs and support continuing funding and enhancement for the PDMP.
- 10) The board will monitor, assess, evaluate, and modify the Alaska PDMP based on the best interest of the public and profession.

Strengths:

- board is very active in updating regulations to comply with statutory requirements and advancing the practice.
- Full board of public members and pharmacists.
- New Executive Administrator position for the board; this position is filled.

Opportunities / Threats:

- The volume of regulations that need to be reviewed, updated or created are numerous given the frequency at which the volunteer board currently meets.
- The speed at which regulations are prepared by the Regulation Specialist and Reviewed by Assistant Attorney General given their large board workload.

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Sunset Audit Recommendations

Date of Last Legislative Audit: August 7, 2017
Board Sunset Date: June 30, 2022

Audit Recommendation: DCBPL’s chief investigator should work with the director to improve the timeliness of investigations.

Action Taken: A Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) was adopted to require investigative staff to enter case notes explaining any gaps between activities greater than sixty days. In addition, each member of staff is held accountable for timeliness of investigative actions.

Next Steps: Monitor for effectiveness.

Date Completed: January 5, 2018

Audit Recommendation: DCBPL’s director should improve procedures to ensure required licensure documentation is appropriately obtained and retained.

Action Taken: The division will continue to provide training to staff to ensure they are aware of their roles and responsibilities in preserving an accurate and complete administrative record.

Next Steps: Monitor for effectiveness.

Date Completed: Ongoing