

THE 2025 TRI-REGULATOR SYMPOSIUM

2025 Opioid Regulatory Collaborative Summit

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Welcome to the 2025 Tri-Regulator Symposium

ADVANCING REGULATION AT THE INTERSECTION OF MEDICINE, NURSING AND PHARMACY

Dear Colleagues:

We are honored to welcome you to this important gathering of health care leaders. This unique event brings together the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) and the National Council of State Boards of Nursing® (NCSBN®) at a pivotal moment.

The health care landscape has evolved since our last symposium. New challenges have emerged across our professions – from the transformative impact of artificial intelligence to shifting workforce trends and complex legal precedents. This joint symposium is designed to provide engaging presentations and create meaningful dialogue on critical issues affecting health care regulation.

What makes this occasion particularly valuable is the cross-disciplinary perspective it provides. While our boards operate independently within our respective professions, we share fundamental values and an unwavering commitment to public health protection. The challenges we face increasingly demand collaborative solutions.

When medical, pharmacy and nursing regulators share insights and align strategies, we create more consistent and effective frameworks. We encourage you to engage fully with the program we have assembled. We urge you to look for new pathways and forge connections between the organizations that will strengthen our mutual endeavors.

As we navigate the complex regulatory questions before us, your participation and expertise will help shape the future of health care regulation.

We're grateful for your commitment to this vital work.

Sincerely,



Humayun "Hank" J. Chaudhry, DO, MS,
MACP, FRCP
President and Chief Executive Officer
FSMB



Lemrey "Al" Carter, PharmD, MS, RPh
Executive Director/Secretary
NABP



Phil Dickison, PhD, RN
Chief Executive Officer
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INTRODUCTION

The Tri-Regulator Symposium hosted by the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP), and the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN), this sixth Tri-Regulator Symposium offers one day of presentations and open forums on topics of high importance to the future of U.S. health care. While each of the three organizations is autonomous with their own membership and advocacy goals, all share common values and a deep commitment to public health protection. Recognizing this, FSMB, NABP, and NCSBN formed the Tri-Regulator Collaborative in order to advance dialogue and build consensus on issues of state-based licensure and regulation. This day will provide the opportunity to discuss interprofessional cooperation and the challenges facing state medical, pharmacy and nursing boards.



THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025

7:00 am – 3:00 pm
Galleria Foyer

Registration

7:00 – 8:00 am
Galleria 1–2

Breakfast

8:15 – 8:30 am
Galleria 3–5

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Katie L. Templeton, JD, Chair, Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB)

Jeffrey J. Mesaros, PharmD, JD, RPh, President, National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP)

Phyllis Polk Johnson, DNP, RN, FNP-BC, President, National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN)

8:30 – 9:15 am
Galleria 3–5

Keynote Presentation

Rep. Buddy Carter, PharmD, Chair, Energy & Commerce Committee, Subcommittee on Health

Rep. Buddy Carter of Georgia, pharmacist and Chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Health Subcommittee, will deliver the keynote address and share his thoughts on the future of health care policy and priorities for the upcoming Congress.

9:15 – 9:45 am
Galleria 3–5

Federal Health Policy Updates and Predictions

Christen Linke Young, JD, Visiting Fellow, Brookings Institution Former Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of the Domestic Policy Council, Health and Veterans

In this session, health policy expert Christen Linke Young will discuss her perspective on health policy trends including prescription drug costs, health insurance coverage, and population health.

9:45 – 10:00 am
Galleria Foyer

Break

10:00 – 11:00 am
Galleria 3–5

State and Federal Court Cases Affecting Regulation

Jonathan A. Keller, PharmD, JD, Partner, Faegre Drinker

Alexis Gilroy, JD, Partner, Jones Day

Moderator: Alexandra Blasi, JD, MBA, Executive Secretary, Kansas Board of Pharmacy

Review recent state and federal court cases that may impact the work of regulatory bodies.

11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Galleria 3–5

Artificial Intelligence: Regulating in a New Frontier

Mark B. Woodland, MD, MS, Board of Directors, FSMB

Jeffrey J. Mesaros, PharmD, JD, RPh, President, NABP

Phyllis Polk Johnson, DNP, RN, FNP-BC, President, NCSBN

Moderator: Phil Dickison, PhD, RN, CEO, NCSBN

This session will discuss artificial intelligence tools and disruptors and will provide an update from each board governance on their organization's current work with the regulation of AI.

12:30 – 1:30 pm
Galleria 1–2

Lunch

1:30 – 2:30 pm
Galleria 3–5

Workforce Enhancements and Demographic Trends

Aaron Young, PhD, Vice President for Research and Data Integration, FSMB

Brendan Martin, PhD, Director of Research, NCSBN

Andrew Funk, PharmD, Member Relations/Government Affairs Director, NABP

Moderator: Katie Templeton, JD, Chair, FSMB

This session will discuss workforce challenges in health care and detailed efforts made by medicine, nursing and pharmacy to address these workforce challenges from analyzing demographic trends to looking at license portability and evaluating international practitioner requirements to address workforce shortages.

2:30 – 3:00 pm
Galleria 3–5

Networking Session

3:00 – 3:30 pm
Galleria 3–5

CEO Closing Session

Humayun “Hank” Chaudhry, DO, MS, MACP, FRCP, President and CEO, FSMB

Lemrey “Al” Carter, PharmD, MS, RPh, Executive Director/Secretary, NABP

Phil Dickison, PhD, RN, CEO, NCSBN

5:00 – 7:00 pm
Great Falls

Reception



The Federation of State Medical Boards



The Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) is a national nonprofit organization representing the 70 state medical and osteopathic boards within the US, its territories and the District of Columbia. It supports its member boards as they fulfill their mandate of protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare through the proper licensing, disciplining, and regulation of physicians and, in many jurisdictions, other health care professionals.

Working from offices in Texas and Washington, DC, the FSMB serves as the voice of the nation's state medical and osteopathic boards. The FSMB monitors federal and state legislation that impacts medical regulation and serves as a valuable resource for the boards on state and federal legislative issues, policy matters, and administrative initiatives.

The FSMB also offers a variety of services and products for the public and the medical regulatory community. In collaboration with the National Board of Medical Examiners, the FSMB provides assessment tools to help inform the decisions of medical licensing authorities: The United States Medical Licensing Examination® (USMLE®), and the Post-Licensure Assessment System (PLAS). Designed to be taken at different points during medical education and training, the USMLE assesses a physician's ability to apply knowledge, concepts, and principles, and to demonstrate fundamental patient-centered skills that are important in health and disease and that constitute the basis of safe and effective patient care. The PLAS provides assessment tools for evaluating the ongoing competence of licensed or previously licensed physicians.

State medical boards have been sharing disciplinary information with one another via the FSMB since the organization's founding in 1912. This data is now shared via the Federation Physician Data Center (PDC), which includes licensure files on the more than 985,000 licensed US physicians and the final orders of thousands of disciplinary actions taken by medical boards against physicians dating to the 1960s. The robust reporting systems developed between the FSMB and state medical boards during their century-long relationship helps ensure the data residing in the PDC is highly accurate and comprehensive. This information is also available to consumers via the FSMB's free physician-search portal, DocInfo, located at www.docinfo.org.

The FSMB's Federation Credentials Verification Service (FCVS) establishes a permanent repository of primary-source verified credentials for physicians and physician assistants, saving duplicative efforts by state medical boards. Established in 1996, FCVS has verified the credentials for hundreds of thousands of physicians and physician assistants. Another valuable tool for medical boards and physicians — the Uniform Application for State Licensure (UA) — significantly speeds up the application process for physicians seeking licensure in multiple states.

The FSMB Foundation supports state medical boards with research and education programs that enhance physician regulation activities, ranging from evaluating and enhancing the work of public members of state boards to providing educational materials aimed at addressing issues such as the nation's opioid abuse and misuse crisis.



The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy



The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) was founded in 1904 and represents all of the pharmacy regulatory and licensing jurisdictions in the United States, all 10 provinces of Canada, and The Bahamas.

NABP is the independent, international, and impartial association that assists its member boards in protecting the public health. NABP serves as an information and disciplinary clearinghouse for the interstate transfer of licensure among the state boards of pharmacy and provides model regulations to assist the state boards of pharmacy with the development of uniform practice, educational, and competency standards for the practice of pharmacy.

NABP recognizes and supports pharmacists serving as the health care professionals responsible for providing patient care that ensures optimal medication therapy outcomes. NABP also recognizes the ongoing and critical need for patients' medications to be managed by a licensed pharmacist and for state regulatory agencies to aggressively enforce standards of care.

Among its programs and services, NABP tests all graduates of the 144 pharmacy schools in the U.S. for its member boards. Passing the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination® is a condition of licensure for all boards. NABP also administers the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination® to assess the pharmacy jurisprudence requirements of 48 individual jurisdictions.

In addition, NABP maintains a disciplinary clearinghouse to help state boards and others verify pharmacist disciplinary history. The Association handles pharmacist license transfers for all of the state boards and provides ongoing license monitoring for pharmacists who obtain credentials from boards that participate in the NABP Verify program. This program allows boards of pharmacy to implement new ways of regulating nonresident pharmacists that are effective and efficient. NABP

facilitates the transfer of nonresident pharmacy licenses through its Verified Pharmacy Program® by verifying pharmacy licensure and providing pharmacy inspection services if needed. Inspection programs protect the supply chain through its Supply Chain Inspection program for drug distributors and OTC Medical Device Distributor Accreditation program for over-the-counter medical device distributors. In addition, accreditation programs that protect public health in the areas of online pharmacy and health care merchants, wholesale drug distribution, and the sale of durable medical equipment are also offered, as well as in several other pharmacy practice areas: community, compounding, home infusion therapy, and specialty.

NABP operates the national, state-based NABP PMP InterConnect® to facilitate interoperability and interstate data sharing between prescription monitoring programs (PMPs) so that states can better combat diversion and the abuse and misuse of controlled substances. Presently, 52 of the 54 PMPs in the states and territories are exchanging data through PMP InterConnect.

The Association also manages CPE Monitor®, an online service for pharmacists and technicians to track their continuing pharmacy education (CPE). This service can also help boards of pharmacy save time and resources when auditing CPE requirements for licensure renewals. The NABP Foundation® supports the Safe Pharmacy Program, which educates on proper drug disposal, buying medicine safely online, and the dangers of counterfeit drugs and evaluates thousands of sites offering prescription drugs through its Internet Drug Outlet Identification program. Consumer education in these areas is provided through the [safe.pharmacy website](#) and a biweekly email newsletter, as well as educational campaigns. The website features a safe online pharmacy search database and a drug disposal location finder.



The National Council of State Boards of Nursing

Founded March 15, 1978, as an independent not-for-profit organization, NCSBN has evolved into one of the leading voices of regulation across the world. As a global leader in regulatory excellence, NCSBN champions regulatory solutions to borderless health care delivery, agile regulatory systems, and nurses practicing to the full scope of their education, experience and expertise.

NCSBN's membership is comprised of the nursing regulatory bodies (NRBs) in the 50 states, the District of Columbia and four US territories. There are nine exam user members and 21 associate members that are either NRBs or empowered regulatory authorities from other countries or territories.

NCSBN is dedicated to developing a psychometrically sound and legally defensible nurse licensure examination consistent with current nursing practice. The NCLEX-RN® and NCLEX-PN®, the world's premier licensure exams, are constantly and rigorously evaluated to keep pace with the rapidly evolving health care environment. Based on analysis and research that informed NCSBN that an increasing level of knowledge and skills are necessary to meet the demands of an ever evolving and more complex health care system. NCSBN launched the next generation of its preeminent exam in April 2023. This new version of NCLEX is an enhancement of the previous exam and more effectively measures a nursing candidate's clinical judgment and decision making.

Nursys® is the only national database for licensure verification and discipline for registered nurses (RNs), licensed practical/vocational nurses (LPN/VNs), and advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs). Nursys data is pushed directly from participating NRB databases. Nursys is live and dynamic, and all updates to the system are reflected immediately.

NCSBN's Global Regulatory Atlas is the first comprehensive resource on the regulation of nurses in countries around

the world. This free-to-use tool allows regulators and educators to easily compare regulations in their own jurisdictions with those of their neighbors; researchers can access data from around the world; and nurses considering immigration can view the policies of the countries to which they might migrate.

NCSBN's International Center for Regulatory Scholarship (ICRS) is a transformative program where professionals from around the world learn, network and discover their leadership potential. Its online and blended courses enrich, inspire and build regulatory knowledge. ICRS's premier offering is the ICRS certificate program, a pioneering, competency-based course of study designed to cultivate and elevate nursing leaders and policymakers.

The *Journal of Nursing Regulation* (JNR) is the first scholarly journal of its kind examining regulation from a nursing perspective. Published quarterly, JNR offers peer-reviewed articles written by leaders in nursing regulation about original nursing regulatory research.

NCSBN was the first to develop two interstate compacts for health care professionals. It launched the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) and the APRN Compact to reduce regulatory barriers to cross-border nursing practice for licensed practical/vocational nurses, registered nurses and advanced practice registered nurses. Two new states joined the NLC in 2024 bringing the total number of member jurisdictions to 43. Implemented in 2000, The NLC is celebrating 25 years of multistate mobility and greater access to care in 2025. The APRN Compact will be implemented when seven states have enacted legislation.

NCSBN conducts the largest and most comprehensive study on the nursing workforce. It published the groundbreaking 2022 National Nursing Workforce Survey in 2023 that sparked a national conversation on the nursing shortage. Its 2024 study will be published in April 2025.



Alexandra Blasi, JD, MBA

Alexandra Blasi is a JD and MBA graduate of Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas, where she also earned undergraduate degrees in Business and in Vocal Music Performance, and was a recipient of the 2018 Graduate of the Last Decade (GOLD) Award. She is an attorney licensed in the State of Kansas and worked for the state in such capacity for several years before joining the Kansas State Board of Pharmacy as Executive Secretary in November 2015. She also holds a certificate in Business and Transactional Law. Ms. Blasi has served on the Kansas Information Technology Council, the Employee Advisory Committee to the Kansas Healthcare Commission, and is a current and founding member of Kansas WISE – Women in State Employment. Ms. Blasi is Chair of the PMP Interconnect Steering Committee and has been appointed to the NABP Committee on Law Enforcement and Legislation since 2020. She was presented with the 2023 John F. Atkinson Service Award by NABP, named one of Topeka Kansas’ Top 20 under 40, and was recognized by the Kansas Pharmacists Association as the 2024 Champion of Pharmacy. Ms. Blasi also serves on the Topeka Collegiate School Board of Trustees.



Rep. Buddy Carter, PharmD

Earl L. “Buddy” Carter is an experienced businessman, health care professional and faithful public servant. For over 32 years Buddy owned Carter’s Pharmacy, Inc. where South Georgians trusted him with their most valuable assets: their health, lives and families. While running his business, he learned how to balance a budget and create jobs. He also saw firsthand the devastating impacts of government overregulation which drives his commitment to ensuring that the federal government creates policies to empower business instead of increasing burdens on America’s job creators.

A committed public servant, Buddy previously served as the Mayor of Pooler, Georgia and in the Georgia General Assembly where he used his business experience to make government more efficient and responsive to the people. Buddy is serving his fifth term in the United States House of Representatives and is a member of the House Energy and Commerce (E&C) Committee and the House Budget Committee. He proudly serves as Chairman of the E&C Subcommittee on Health. As a pharmacist serving in Congress, Buddy is dedicated to working towards a health care system that provides more choices, less costs and better services.

A lifelong resident of the First District, Buddy was born and raised in Port Wentworth, Georgia and is a proud graduate of Young Harris College and the University of Georgia where he earned his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy. Buddy married his college sweetheart, Amy. Buddy and Amy have three sons, three daughters-in-law and eight grandchildren.



Lemrey “Al” Carter, PharmD, MS, RPh

Dr. Carter is the Executive Director of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) and the Secretary of the Association’s Executive Committee. NABP is an international organization whose membership includes the state boards of pharmacy in all 50 United States, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and all 10 provincial pharmacy regulatory agencies in Canada.

Dr. Carter currently serves as a Governor of the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) Board of Directors, chair of the PTCB Certification Council, and member of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality’s (AHRQ’s) National Advisory Council. Dr. Carter is a former member and chair of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Division of Professional Regulation – State Board of Pharmacy. Previously, Dr. Carter oversaw pharmacy operations and professional affairs at Walgreens. In this position, he was responsible for the day-to-day operations and pharmacy regulatory oversight of more than 9,200 pharmacies in the U.S. as well as oversight, management and execution of all commercial Medicare Parts B and D and state Medicaid plans.

Dr. Carter graduated from Xavier University of Louisiana, College of Pharmacy, with a Doctor of Pharmacy, and he received his Master of Science degree with studies focused on pharmacy regulation and policy from the University of Florida.



Humayun "Hank" Chaudhry, DO, MS, MACP, FRCP

Dr. Humayun "Hank" Chaudhry is the President and CEO of the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), which operates the Federation Credentials Verification Service (FCVS) and co-owns the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) with the National Board of Medical Examiners. Dr. Chaudhry is also a Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences in Washington, DC. In 2022 and again in 2023, *Modern Healthcare* recognized him as one of the 100 Most Influential People in Healthcare.

Dr. Chaudhry was raised in Brooklyn, New York and graduated from New York University, the New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. He completed residency training in Internal Medicine at NYU Langone Long Island Hospital, where he was also Chief Resident. Recipient of a number of honorary degrees, Dr. Chaudhry is Past President of the American College of Osteopathic Internists, a Master of the American College of Physicians and a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (London and Edinburgh).

Dr. Chaudhry was in the U.S. Air Force Reserves from 1999 to 2013, where he rose to the rank of Major and served as a flight surgeon. He is the author or co-author of more than 80 articles in the medical literature and co-author of two books. He is a member of the FSMB Foundation's Board of Directors and Past Chair of the International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities (IAMRA), which represents 49 nations.



Phil Dickson, PhD, RN

Philip Dickison is the CEO for NCSBN. Dr. Dickison is responsible for advancing the mission and vision of NCSBN by overseeing programs and services related to the operations of the organization. He has over 30 years of experience in educational measurement, item construction, item bank maintenance, curriculum design, and instructional technology. He currently oversees and directs the management of test development and psychometric functions for the NCSBN examinations and is responsible for assuring quality of testing programs, products, and services. Dr. Dickison also develops and enforces testing policies and procedures, provides staff support to committees and subcommittees, and secures future integrity of testing programs through research. Dickison spent 11 years in the United States Air Force as a medical service specialist (medic). Upon leaving the USAF, he gained his ADN in nursing from Regents College, New York; his BBA from Mount Vernon Nazarene College, Ohio, and his PhD in Quantitative Research in Evaluation and Measurement in Education from the Ohio State University, Ohio. Dickison has been active in the certification and licensure community for more than 25 years, serving as the psychometrician and Associate Director of the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians, as well as being a member of the psychometric society, American Educational Research Association, Institute for Credentialing Excellence and The Association of Test Publishers (ATP).



Andrew Funk, PharmD

Andrew Funk is a pharmacist and director of member relations and government affairs for NABP. In his current role, Andrew assists NABP's member boards with providing them with the necessary resources to further their mission of protecting the public health. Prior to coming to NABP, Andrew served as the executive director of the Iowa board of pharmacy where he worked with interested stakeholders to find solutions to pharmacy workforce issues.



Alexis Gilroy, JD

Alexis Gilroy, a national leader in the digital health industry, advises on complex transactional and health regulatory issues with an emphasis on virtual health methods, such as telemedicine, telehealth and mobile health. With more than two decades in digital health her experience supports various regulatory counseling and transactional needs for health AI, digital health product development, and life sciences organizations, including novel virtual clinical trial offerings. Alexis is co-leader of the Firm's Health Care & Life Sciences Practice.

Focused on transactions across the health care, life sciences, and digital health sectors on innovative technologies and methods, Alexis pairs practical experience with a keen understanding of often novel and still evolving federal and state regulatory requirements. Health systems and other health providers, virtual care companies, technology organizations, pharmacy and retail leaders, life sciences businesses, medical device organizations, and investors across the U.S. and abroad seek her legal counsel. She frequently structures and negotiates telehealth specific services and affiliation contracts and manages health regulatory matters for M&A and equity transactions with both investor/buy-side and company/target-side experience. She also advises on multijurisdictional digital health strategy and implementation, state-specific telehealth regulation, corporate practice of medicine, reimbursement, online prescribing, patient consent, credentialing by proxy, remote supervision, and fraud and abuse considerations.

Alexis speaks and writes extensively on matters involving digital health, including testimony before legislative and regulatory bodies. She was an appointee to the Maryland governor's Telemedicine Task Force, member of the Federation of State Medical Boards' workgroup on telehealth, leader of the American Bar Association's Science & Technology Practice Group, and leader of the American Health Lawyer Association's (AHLA) E-Health and Telemedicine Affinity Group.



Jonathan A. Keller, PharmD, JD

Jonathan A. Keller is a registered pharmacist and partner at Faegre Drinker who lever-ages his pharmacy background to advise health care and life science companies on a wide range of regulatory, compliance and licensure matters. As the co-leader of the firm's PBM & Pharmacy Services Segment, he advises on strategic transactions and licensing matters, drug compounding, controlled substance regulations, telemedicine/telepharmacy issues and other pharmacy regulatory matters.



Christen Linke Young, JD

Christen Linke Young is a health policy expert with 15 years of service in federal and state government, most recently serving in the Biden White House as the Deputy Assistant to the President for Health and Veterans Affairs. She works on a wide range of health policy issues, including pricing of prescription drugs, expanding access to health insurance coverage, and supporting our public health institutions to prevent disease and promote population health. She previously served as the Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services in North Carolina, and held a number of health policy roles in the Obama administration. She holds a JD from Yale Law School and BS from Stanford University and resides in Washington, D.C. with her husband, 6-year-old daughter, and 2-year-old son.



Brendan Martin, PhD

Brendan Martin is a senior investigator with more than 15 years in quantitative modeling and consulting across multiple industries, ranging from Public Relations, Education, and Clinical Trials to now Nursing Regulation. He is currently the Director of Research at the National Council of State Boards of Nursing where he leads a team of six, including statisticians trained in advanced questionnaire design, data scientists versed in large language modeling and machine learning, and experts in large database querying and analysis.

Brendan has extensive graduate-level statistical training in the fields of mathematics and public health sciences. He has presented at numerous national conferences, successfully submitted hundreds of abstracts on topics ranging from advanced applications of statistical models and study design to broader topics, such as workforce planning, post-secondary access, and clinical trials involving novel cancer therapies. In all, Brendan has co-authored more than 70 peer-reviewed manuscripts and is an instructor in NCSBN's International Center for Regulatory Scholarship in which he teaches a course on Fundamentals of Research.



Jeffrey J. Mesaros, PharmD, JD, RPh

Dr. Mesaros, a member of the Florida Board of Pharmacy, automatically assumed the position of president. Previously, Dr. Mesaros served 1-year terms as president-elect and treasurer and two years as a member of the Executive Committee (District 3). Dr. Mesaros has been a registered pharmacist for more than 20 years and has practiced as a pharmacist attorney for more than 15 years. As a member of NABP, Dr. Mesaros has made many contributions to NABP/American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) District 3 meetings and has served as the District 3 representative on the Committee on Resolutions. In addition, Dr. Mesaros served on the Work Group on the Development of an Interstate Endorsement Credential, the Task Force on the Regulation of Pharmacy Benefit Managers, and the Task Force on the Definition of a Patient-Pharmacist Relationship. Dr. Mesaros is also active with several other professional organizations, including the American Bar Association, the American Society for Pharmacy Law, and the American Pharmacists Association (APhA). He has served as an adjunct faculty member of the University of Florida College of Pharmacy and the University of Hawaii – the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy. Dr. Mesaros earned his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Wilkes University Nesbitt School of Pharmacy and his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Miami School of Law. He received his Master of Science degree in pharmacy regulation and policy from the University of Florida.



Phyllis Polk Johnson, DNP, RN, FNP-BC

Phyllis Polk Johnson was appointed the Executive Director of the Mississippi Board of Nursing in 2017. She has served on the Nurse Licensure Compact Executive Committee for the past two years. In November 2014, she joined the staff of the Mississippi Board of Nursing as the Director of Advanced Practice and has served in the following capacities: Director of Investigations, Board of Medical Licensure Advisory Board for Physician Assistants, Advisory Board Project Change Initiative, Pharmacy Board PMP Advisory Council, Governor’s Heroin and Opioid Drug Task Force, 2020 Governor’s COVID-19 Advisory Group. Phyllis was selected as the *Mississippi Business Journal* Business Woman of the Year (2019).



Katie L. Templeton, JD

As the daughter of a hard-working physician, Katie Templeton was inspired by her father to “do no harm” at a very early age and, later, to focus on medicine as the cornerstone of her professional legal career. Templeton is a dynamic, skilled attorney with over 18 years’ experience in all phases of health care law, litigation, and claims management, focusing on medical outcomes, patient safety, and best practices. Templeton has served as a Public Member on the Oklahoma State Board of Osteopathic Examiners for over ten years and as President of the Board from 2020-2022 and currently serves as Vice President. During her Board tenure, she served as a member of the Oklahoma Opioid Task Force and personally authored the Best Practice guidelines for physicians in the state regarding opioid prescribing and legislative compliance, and Best Practice guidelines regarding legislation implemented following the *Dobbs* decision. In May 2020, Katie was elected as a Public Member to the FSMB Board of Directors and in 2024 as Chair. Templeton’s knowledge and commitment to the FSMB, the Oklahoma Osteopathic Board, and her law career has allowed her to maximize her efforts in promoting state-based medical regulation and accessibility to quality medical care by all, and to help ensure public protection.



Mark B. Woodland, MD, MS

He is Past Chair of the Council on Resident Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology (CREOG) for the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ACOG).

He serves as a physician member of the Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine and was elected chair of that board in October 2020, 2021, and 2022. Dr. Woodland is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB).

Dr. Woodland received his medical degree from George Washington University School of Medicine and served his internship at George Washington University Medical Center. He completed his residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Pennsylvania Hospital.

His career focus has been clinical medicine/minimally invasive surgery, medical education and medical regulation through policy and advocacy.



Aaron Young, PhD

Aaron Young serves as Vice President of Research and Data Services at the Federation of State Medical Boards. He provides expertise on physician licensure and discipline, collaborates with government agencies, and partners with other health care organizations to advance shared goals. Previously, he spent six years leading marketing research and strategy for customer acquisition and retention at a major U.S. energy provider. Aaron holds a PhD from Baylor University, specializing in research methods, needs assessments, program evaluation, and regulatory impact. During his doctoral studies, he consulted for an economic analysis firm, supporting Fortune 500 litigation and economic development initiatives.



About the Tri-Regulator Collaborative

The organizations representing interrelated health care professional licensing and regulatory boards of the U.S. — the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) and the National Council of State Boards of Nursing® (NCSBN®) — share a common mission of protecting the public health and enhancing professionalism in health care.

Together, these three organizations regulate more than 7 million health care professionals, significantly impacting national health policy. While each organization is autonomous with its own constituent membership, common values about public protections through state-based licensure unite FSMB, NABP, and NCSBN for dialogue and consensus building.

Recognizing the potential benefits to be gained by collaborating more closely to better protect public health, safety, and welfare, FSMB, NABP, and NCSBN formally launched the Tri-Regulator Collaborative in 2011.

The Collaborative meets periodically to discuss issues of mutual concern, exchange ideas, and share resources to better protect patients and improve the quality of care.

Among its activities, the Collaborative has developed consensus statements on issues of importance to the regulatory community — including strong endorsement of state-based licensure for health professionals.

The Collaborative believes a system of state-based regulation — as mandated in the 10th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution — offers the most effective regulatory framework for health care, ensuring close monitoring of health care

professionals in every region of the country and responding to the diverse circumstances and needs of each state.

It has also taken a strong position as an advocate for improvements in the nation's efforts to collect workforce data about health care professionals. The Collaborative strongly supports a more robust national effort to compile evidence-based comprehensive data and analysis of the health care workforce in order to ensure our ability to meet the growing needs of patients across the nation.

The Tri-Regulator Symposium is intended to strengthen a sense of partnership and common purpose by providing a national forum for shared dialogue on these and other issues critical to our health care future, such as team-based care, new practice models and regulatory strategies, and ensuring fair and respectful stakeholder communications.



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INTRODUCTION

The regulatory boards that license U.S. dentists, physicians, pharmacists and nurses have established the ORC in an effort to bring new resources and strategies to the nation's opioid epidemic response. Composed of leaders from the American Association of Dental Boards (AADB), the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) and the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN), the Collaborative aims to reduce opioid substance use disorder among the public as well as health care practitioners.

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Dale Chamberlain, DDS, Immediate Past President, American Association of Dental Boards (AADB)

8:15 – 9:15 am
Galleria 3–5

Keynote Presentation

Thomas W. Prevoznik, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

This session will provide an update on recent developments in access to buprenorphine and other medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD), highlighting both progress and ongoing challenges in addressing substance use disorders. We will explore issues related to pill renting, a growing concern impacting treatment efficacy and patient safety. Additionally, the session will review new initiatives and emerging trends within the DEA aimed at improving regulatory frameworks and supporting innovative approaches to MOUD access. Participants will gain insights into the evolving landscape of substance use disorder treatment and the regulatory measures shaping it.

9:15 – 9:30 am
Galleria Foyer

Break

9:30 – 10:00 am
Galleria 3–5

Evolving Federal Addiction Policy: Looking Ahead in 2025

Regina LaBelle, JD, Director, Center on Addiction Policy, O’Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, Georgetown Law

Amidst an overdose and addiction crisis that continues to evolve, and as new substances emerge, federal and state addiction policies are in a state of flux. This talk will explore the current state of addiction treatment and prevention in the U.S., analyzing key legislative changes, the impact of harm reduction strategies, and funding challenges. Attendees will gain insight into the future of federal addiction policy, including balancing public health and public safety approaches during a time of unprecedented change.

10:00 – 10:30 am
Galleria 3–5

Reactor Panel and Discussion

Panelists:

Humayun “Hank” Chaudhry, DO, MS, MACP, FRCP, President and CEO, FSMB

Lemrey “Al” Carter, MS, PharmD, RPh, Executive Director/Secretary, NABP

Philip Dickison, PhD, RN, CEO, NCSBN

In this reactor panel, our chief executive officers will respond to the issues and updates presented during Mr. Prevoznik’s and Ms. LaBelle’s presentations. The panel will offer insights from leaders on the implications of recent regulatory challenges, challenges in MOUD access and emerging trends in addressing substance use disorder. Through a dynamic discussion, the CEOs will share their perspectives on potential impacts, opportunities for innovation, and strategies for navigating the evolving landscape. Attendees will gain valuable viewpoints on how these developments may shape future policies.

10:30 – 11:00 am
Galleria 3–5

Keynote Presentation

Steve Singer, PhD, Vice President of Education and Outreach, Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME)

Updates on the workgroup of the NAM Opioid Action Collaborative.

11:00 – 11:30 am
Galleria 3–5

Keynote Presentation

Hon. Drew Ferguson, IV, DMD, Senior Policy Advisor, Alston & Bird

Served as the U.S. representative for Georgia’s 3rd congressional district from 2017 to 2025, serving as House Republican Chief Deputy Whip. Dr. Ferguson was a practicing dentist prior to running for Congress in 2016.

11:30 am – 12:15 pm
Galleria 1–2

Lunch

12:15 – 1:15 pm
Galleria 3–5

Moderated Panel: Management and Treatment of Licensees

Panelists:

Chris Bundy, MD, MPH, FASAM, Executive Medical Director, Washington Physicians Health Program; Chief Medical Officer, Federation of State Physician Health Programs

Nicole L. Chopski, PharmD, ANP, Bureau Chief, Health Professions Bureau, Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses

Christopher Harlow, PharmD, Executive Director, Kentucky Board of Pharmacy

Moderator: Katie Templeton, JD, Chair, FSMB

During this session, we will explore the role of licensing boards in the management and treatment of health care professionals who suffer from substance use disorders. We will discuss best practices for identifying impaired practitioners, offering confidential support and implementing treatment programs to facilitate recovery while ensuring patient safety. This session will highlight collaborative approaches between licensing boards and health professional assistance programs to effectively address substance use disorders, reduce stigma and support rehabilitation for health care professionals.

1:15 – 1:30 pm
Galleria Foyer

Break

1:30 – 2:30 pm
Galleria 3–5

Moderated Panel: Emerging Trends and the Prescribing of Controlled and Non-Controlled Medications: What Regulators Need to Know

Panelists:

Jack “Jay” Campbell, IV, JD, RPh, Executive Director, North Carolina Board of Pharmacy

Kenneth Cleveland, MD, Executive Director, MS State Board of Medical Licensure

Phyllis Polk Johnson, DNP, RN, FNP-BC, President, NCSBN

Susan C. Winckler, RPh, Esq., Chief Executive Officer, Reagan-Udall Foundation

Moderator: Caroline Juran, BSP Pharm, DPh, Executive Director, Virginia Board of Pharmacy

This session will explore the evolving landscape of substance use disorder treatment as it moves beyond traditional opioid therapies, focusing on emerging trends related to ketamine, stimulants, psychedelics and compounding of GLP-1 drugs. We will discuss the potential benefits and risks of these substances as well as the regulatory considerations on how these treatments may be integrated into frameworks for addiction care.

2:30 – 3:00 pm
Galleria 3–5

End-of-Day Reflection

Humayun “Hank” Chaudhry, DO, MS, MACP, FRCP, President and CEO, FSMB

Lemrey “Al” Carter, MS, PharmD, RPh, Executive Director/Secretary, NABP

Philip Dickison, PhD, RN, CEO, NCSBN

Kimber Cobb, RDH, Executive Director, AADB

During this end-of-day reflection session, we will recap and discuss the key issues covered throughout the Summit. This interactive session will provide an opportunity to review insights on recent updates, challenges in substance use disorder treatment for licensees, regulatory trends and new initiatives shared by the presenters. Attendees will have the chance to share their thoughts, ask final questions, and collaborate on takeaways to apply in their work. Together, we will consolidate what we've learned and identify next steps to address the issues moving forward.

3:00 pm
Galleria 3–5

Closing



Chris Bundy, MD, MPH

Dr. Bundy is the Executive Medical Director of the Washington Physicians Health Program (WPHP) and Chief Medical Officer of the Federation of State Physician Health Programs. He is board certified in adult and geriatric psychiatry and addiction medicine and is clinical associate professor of psychiatry at the University of Washington School of Medicine and Washington State University Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine. Dr. Bundy draws on his experience as a health care leader, medical educator, and physician in recovery to support education and advocacy efforts related to physician health and well-being. For this work, Dr. Bundy has been recognized with the President's Unsung Hero Award from the Washington State Medical Association.



Jack "Jay" Campbell, IV, JD, RPh

Jay Campbell is the Executive Director of the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy. Jay obtained his BS Pharmacy from the University of North Carolina, and his JD from the Vanderbilt University School of Law. Jay also teaches the pharmacy law course at the UNC School of Pharmacy, and is a guest lecturer at the Campbell and Wingate Schools of Pharmacy. Jay is a past president of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy and the American Society for Pharmacy Law.



Lemrey "Al" Carter, PharmD, MS, RPh

Dr. Carter is the Executive Director of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) and the Secretary of the Association's Executive Committee. NABP is an international organization whose membership includes the state boards of pharmacy in all 50 United States, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and all 10 provincial pharmacy regulatory agencies in Canada.

Dr. Carter currently serves as a Governor of the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) Board of Directors, chair of the PTCB Certification Council, and member of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's (AHRQ's) National Advisory Council. Dr. Carter is a former member and chair of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Division of Professional Regulation – State Board of Pharmacy.

Previously, Dr. Carter oversaw pharmacy operations and professional affairs at Walgreens. In this position, he was responsible for the day-to-day operations and pharmacy regulatory oversight of more than 9,200 pharmacies in the U.S. as well as oversight, management and execution of all commercial Medicare Parts B and D and state Medicaid plans.

Dr. Carter graduated from Xavier University of Louisiana, College of Pharmacy, with a Doctor of Pharmacy, and he received his Master of Science degree with studies focused on pharmacy regulation and policy from the University of Florida.



Dale Chamberlain, DDS

Dr. Chamberlain is an oral & maxillofacial surgery specialist located in Helena, Montana, and has been in private practice since 2012. He received his DDS degree from Creighton University in 1988. From 1989-2011, Dr. Chamberlain had a private practice in Lewistown, Montana. While in Lewistown he also set up the dental program and worked two days a month at NEXUS, a methamphetamine treatment center, for five years. Dr. Chamberlain was awarded the Champagne-Low Award by the CDCA-WREB-CITA in January.



Humayun “Hank” Chaudhry, DO, MS, MACP, FRCP

Dr. Humayun “Hank” Chaudhry is the President and CEO of the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), which operates the Federation Credentials Verification Service (FCVS) and co-owns the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) with the National Board of Medical Examiners. Dr. Chaudhry is also a Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences in Washington, DC. In 2022 and again in 2023, *Modern Healthcare* recognized him as one of the 100 Most Influential People in Healthcare.

Dr. Chaudhry was raised in Brooklyn, New York and graduated from New York University, the New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. He completed residency training in Internal Medicine at NYU Langone Long Island Hospital, where he was also Chief Resident. Recipient of a number of honorary degrees, Dr. Chaudhry is Past President of the American College of Osteopathic Internists, a Master of the American College of Physicians and a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (London and Edinburgh).

Dr. Chaudhry was in the U.S. Air Force Reserves from 1999 to 2013, where he rose to the rank of Major and served as a flight surgeon. He is the author or co-author of more than 80 articles in the medical literature and co-author of two books. He is a member of the FSMB Foundation’s Board of Directors and Past Chair of the International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities (IAMRA), which represents 49 nations.



Nicole L. Chopski, PharmD, ANP

Dr. Chopski serves as the Health Professions Bureau Chief for the Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses and as executive officer of the Boards of Medicine, Nursing, and Pharmacy. Prior to becoming executive officer of the board of pharmacy in 2019, Dr. Chopski served as a member of the board for 12 years. Dr. Chopski has served on the Executive Committee of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) since 2018 and is currently serving as NABP Treasurer. In 2025, Dr. Chopski was honored with the American Pharmacists Association’s Hubert H. Humphrey Award for her government and legislative service. For more than a decade, she has been certified as an authorized nuclear pharmacist by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission at Purdue University. She previously served as a Certified Geriatric Pharmacist for 20 years and as a hospital pharmacist at Portneuf Medical Center for 21 years. Dr. Chopski earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Idaho State University.



Kenneth Cleveland, MD

Kenneth Cleveland is a native of Alabama and a 1995 graduate of the University of Alabama School of Medicine. He completed his residency at the University of Mississippi School of Medicine finishing as Chief Surgical Resident in 2001. He has since practiced medicine in the State of Mississippi in both surgical and administrative capacities. In February of 2018 the 12-member Board of Medical Licensure selected Dr. Cleveland to become their Executive Director. Since that time, he has accepted a position as Commissioner of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, where he currently serves as Treasurer. He has been recognized for his work in regulatory medicine by the FDA as well as the Federation of State Medical Boards. Dr. Cleveland’s background brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in legislative proceedings, business management and medicine.



Kimber Cobb, RDH

Over a nearly 20-year career, Kimber Cobb has collaborated extensively with state regulators throughout her service in the dental licensure communities’ education, examination, and organization. Cobb’s experience in public protection and national examination portability led her to her current position as Executive Director of the AADB. A licensed Dental Hygienist and graduate of the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry, Cobb’s career also includes substantial experience in both private practice and education with faculty positions at Coastal Carolina Community College (North Carolina) and Tulsa Community College (Oklahoma). She previously served as Executive Director of The Central Regional Dental Testing Service (CRDTS), a regional testing agency, and Director of Dental Hygiene Examinations for CDCA-WREB-CITA, a nationwide provider of examinations.



Phil Dickson, PhD, RN

Philip Dickson is the CEO for NCSBN. Dr. Dickson is responsible for advancing the mission and vision of NCSBN by overseeing programs and services related to the operations of the organization. He has over 30 years of experience in educational measurement, item construction, item bank maintenance, curriculum design, and instructional technology. He currently oversees and directs the management of test development and psychometric functions for the NCSBN examinations and is responsible for assuring quality of testing programs, products, and services. Dr. Dickson also develops and enforces testing policies and procedures, provides staff support to committees and subcommittees, and secures future integrity of testing programs through research. Dickson spent 11 years in the United States Air Force as a medical service specialist (medic). Upon leaving the USAF, he gained his ADN in nursing from Regents College, New York; his BBA from Mount Vernon Nazarene College, Ohio, and his PhD in Quantitative Research in Evaluation and Measurement in Education from the Ohio State University, Ohio. Dickson has been active in the certification and licensure community for more than 25 years, serving as the psychometrician and Associate Director of the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians, as well as being a member of the psychometric society, American Educational Research Association, Institute for Credentialing Excellence and The Association of Test Publishers (ATP).



Hon. Drew Ferguson, IV, DMD

Congressman Drew Ferguson advises a wide array of clients on tax, trade, and health care policy. He works to create bipartisan legislative strategies and advocates on behalf of clients in both legislative and regulatory arenas. Before joining Alston & Bird, he represented Georgia's third congressional district in the U.S. House of Representatives. He served on the Committee on Ways and Means, where he was the chair of the Subcommittee on Social Security and a member of the Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, also known as the Subcommittee on Tax. He also served on the House Budget Committee. From 2019 to 2023, he was chief deputy whip for House Republicans. This position allowed him to gain intimate knowledge of the legislative process and build close bipartisan relationships on Capitol Hill. Before his congressional service, he was mayor of West Point, Georgia, and founded and operated a family dental practice for 25 years.



Christopher P. Harlow, PharmD

Christopher Harlow is the Executive Director of the Kentucky Board of Pharmacy. Dr. Harlow is a graduate of University of Kentucky and completed a Community Pharmacy Practice Residency with the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy. Prior to becoming the Executive Director in Kentucky, he practiced in areas including community pharmacy, specialty pharmacy, compounding, and substance use disorder. Dr. Harlow previously served on the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Pharmacists Association including roles of Speaker of the House and President of the Association. Dr. Harlow remains active with various committee work for national pharmacy associations.



Caroline Juran, BSPHarm, DPh

Caroline Juran has been employed by the Virginia Department of Health Professions since 2005 and has served as Executive Director of the Virginia Board of Pharmacy since 2010. Prior to her employment with the department, she practiced in long term care and community pharmacy, held certification as a geriatric pharmacist, and served as a preceptor. Ms. Juran completed her studies at The College of William and Mary and graduated from the School of Pharmacy at the Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University in 1995. Juran recently served as Chairman of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy and Vice Chair of the Virginia Forensic Science Board.



Regina LaBelle, JD

Regina LaBelle is a public policy professional who served as Acting Director of The White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) in the Biden Administration. LaBelle also served as an appointee in the Obama Administration where she oversaw the nation's response to the opioid epidemic at ONDCP. Regina founded and directs the Addiction and Public Policy Initiative at The O'Neill Institute at Georgetown University Law Center. In addition, LaBelle founded, directs and teaches in the Master of Science in Addiction Policy and Practice in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.



Jeffrey J. Mesaros, PharmD, JD, RPh

Dr. Mesaros, a member of the Florida Board of Pharmacy, automatically assumed the position of president. Previously, Dr. Mesaros served 1-year terms as president-elect and treasurer and two years as a member of the Executive Committee (District 3). Dr. Mesaros has been a registered pharmacist for more than 20 years and has practiced as a pharmacist attorney for more than 15 years. As a member of NABP, Dr. Mesaros has made many contributions to NABP/American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACCP) District 3 meetings and has served as the District 3 representative on the Committee on Resolutions. In addition, Dr. Mesaros served on the Work Group on the Development of an Interstate Endorsement Credential, the Task Force on the Regulation of Pharmacy Benefit Managers, and the Task Force on the Definition of a Patient-Pharmacist Relationship. Dr. Mesaros is also active with several other professional organizations, including the American Bar Association, the American Society for Pharmacy Law, and the American Pharmacists Association (APhA). He has served as an adjunct faculty member of the University of Florida College of Pharmacy and the University of Hawaii at Hilo – the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy. Dr. Mesaros earned his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Wilkes University Nesbitt School of Pharmacy and his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Miami School of Law. He received his Master of Science degree in pharmacy regulation and policy from the University of Florida.



Phyllis Polk Johnson, DNP, RN, FNP-BC

Phyllis Polk Johnson was appointed the Executive Director of the Mississippi Board of Nursing in 2017. She has served on the Nurse Licensure Compact Executive Committee for the past two years. In November 2014, she joined the staff of the Mississippi Board of Nursing as the Director of Advanced Practice and has served in the following capacities: Director of Investigations, Board of Medical Licensure Advisory Board for Physician Assistants, Advisory Board Project Change Initiative, Pharmacy Board PMP Advisory Council, Governor’s Heroin and Opioid Drug Task Force, 2020 Governor’s COVID-19 Advisory Group. Phyllis was selected as the *Mississippi Business Journal* Business Woman of the Year (2019).



Thomas W. Prevoznik

Thomas W. Prevoznik is a 34-year veteran of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). His contributions to the DEA as a Diversion Investigator span several regulatory roles specifically relating to entities authorized to possess controlled substances, currently surpassing 2 million nationwide. These roles include such activities as importation, exportation, manufacture, distribution, prescribing, and dispensing.

In September 2023, Thomas was selected to be the first Diversion Investigator to serve as the Assistant Administrator of the Diversion Control Division. He previously served as the Acting Assistant Administrator for the Diversion Control Division. From 2019 to 2022, Prevoznik served as the Deputy Assistant Administrator (DAA) for the Office of Policy within the Diversion Control Division. He served as the Senior Executive in charge of drafting federal regulations and policy for controlled substances, conducting liaison with the registration population, and overseeing the Diversion Investigator Program. Prior to 2019, he served in many supervisory roles in the Philadelphia Division, New Jersey Division, and DEA Headquarters. AA Prevoznik is the most senior Diversion Investigator within the Diversion Control Program.

Prevoznik is a graduate from the University of Notre Dame, with a Bachelor of Arts in 1987; and the University of Virginia, with a Master’s in Adult Education in 2004.



Steve Singer, PhD

Dr. Singer oversees educational programs and resources to support the ACCME system of accredited continuing education (CE) providers, ACCME-recognized state accreditors, and accreditation volunteers, including the annual Learn to Thrive meeting and ACCME’s online learning portal, ACCME Academy. Dr. Singer also oversees the educational support for Joint Accreditation for Interprofessional Continuing Education, a collaborative initiative founded by ACCME, American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), and Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). Dr. Singer’s liaison responsibilities for the ACCME include the National Academy of Medicine’s Action Collaboratives on Clinician Well-Being and Resilience and Countering the U.S. Opioid Epidemic, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) National Action Alliance for Patient and Workforce Safety and evidence-based Care Transformation Support (ACTS) initiatives, and other partnerships to elevate the role of continuing education as a strategic asset for health care change. Dr. Singer received his doctorate in neuropharmacology from the Stritch School of Medicine.



Katie L. Templeton, JD

As the daughter of a hard-working physician, Katie Templeton was inspired by her father to “do no harm” at a very early age and, later, to focus on medicine as the cornerstone of her professional legal career. Templeton is a dynamic, skilled attorney with over 18 years’ experience in all phases of health care law, litigation, and claims management, focusing on medical outcomes, patient safety, and best practices. Templeton has served as a Public Member on the Oklahoma State Board of Osteopathic Examiners for over ten years and as President of the Board from 2020-2022 and currently serves as Vice President. During her Board tenure, she served as a member of the Oklahoma Opioid Task Force and personally authored the Best Practice guidelines for physicians in the state regarding opioid prescribing and legislative compliance, and Best Practice guidelines regarding legislation implemented following the *Dobbs* decision. In May 2020, Katie was elected as a Public Member to the FSMB Board of Directors and in 2024 as Chair. Templeton’s knowledge and commitment to the FSMB, the Oklahoma Osteopathic Board, and her law career has allowed her to maximize her efforts in promoting state-based medical regulation and accessibility to quality medical care by all, and to help ensure public protection.



Susan C. Winckler, RPh, Esq.

Susan C. Winckler is CEO of the Reagan-Udall Foundation for the Food and Drug Administration; the non-profit organization created by Congress to advance the mission of the FDA.

Prior to accepting the Foundation post in May of 2020, Winckler served as President of Leavitt Partners Solutions, a health care strategy firm founded by Gov. Michael O. Leavitt, former Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. She directly advised C-suite executives on public policy/regulation, business strategy, investments, and other matters. A pharmacist and attorney by training, she was, earlier, CEO of the Food & Drug Law Institute.

As Chief of Staff for the FDA (2007-2009), Winckler managed the Commissioner’s Office, served both Republican and Democratic commissioners as their senior-most staff adviser, analyzed complex policy challenges, and represented FDA with myriad government entities and external stakeholders. Her earlier career service included more than a decade at the American Pharmacists Association.

Winckler earned a bachelor’s degree from the University of Iowa College of Pharmacy and her law degree magna cum laude from Georgetown University Law Center. She is an APhA Fellow, an elected member (2015-2020, 2020-2025) and Chair (2018- present) of the United States Pharmacopeial Convention (USP) Board of Trustees, and a member of the Purgo Scientific, LLC board. In 2023, she received the Distinguished Alumni Award of the Food and Drug Administration Alumni Association and, separately, was awarded the Osterhaus Medal for Lifetime Achievement by the Univ. of Iowa College of Pharmacy.

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American Association of Dental Boards

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Federation of State Medical Boards

At the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), we proudly support state medical boards within the United States, its territories, and the District of Columbia. We serve our member boards as they fulfill their mandate of protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare through proper medical regulation, licensing, and disciplining of physicians, physician assistants and associates (PAs), and other health care professionals.

Since our founding in 1912, FSMB has served as a forum for connecting state medical and osteopathic boards to share best practices and discuss issues of medical regulation. From providing educational materials to assessment tools to data access and technology solutions, FSMB continues to serve the interests of its member boards and support their integral function within America's health care system. To learn more about FSMB, please visit www.fsmb.org.

National Association of Boards of Pharmacy

The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP), found in 1904, is the impartial professional organization that supports the state boards of pharmacy in protecting public health. NABP helps support patient and prescription drug safety, through examinations that assess pharmacist competency, pharmacist licensure transfer and verification services, and various pharmacy accreditation programs. Our membership and staff combine diverse skills and backgrounds, which helps us create innovative programs that meet the public health protection needs of today – with an eye on the future.

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NCSBN's membership is comprised of the nursing regulatory bodies (NRBs) in the 50 states, the District of Columbia and four U.S. territories. There are nine exam user members and 21 associate members that are either NRBs or empowered regulatory authorities from other countries or territories. For more information, please visit <https://www.ncsbn.org>.