

# MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF PHARMACY

## JANUARY 2019 BOARD MEETING OVERVIEW

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The Mississippi Board of Pharmacy met on January 17th to conduct business and hold disciplinary/petition hearings. The following is a synopsis of some of the items presented or considered by the Board during their meeting:

- Mr. Ronnie Bagwell was appointed by Governor Bryant to fill the vacant seat on the Board.
- The Licensure Division informed the Board that the renewal period for pharmacist licenses, controlled substance registrations and drug facility permits ended on December 31.
- The Prescription Monitoring Program Division reported that there are approximately 22,250 PMP users registered and there has been a steady increase in registered users and system requests.
- The Compliance Division reported that a working group consisting of staff from the Pharmacy Board, the Dental Board, the Nursing Board and the Board of Medical Licensure have begun meeting to help address issues that cross the disciplinary threshold.
- Mississippi Association of Recovering Pharmacists (MARF) will host a seminar in Hattiesburg on March 8.
- The Board approved final adoption of the following regulations: Article XLIII - Prescription Monitoring Program and XXV - Inventory Requirements.
- The process for hiring a new Executive Director is ongoing. The next phase will be scheduling interviews for select candidates.