

Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board
Monday June 22nd @ 10:30 am
Microsoft TEAMS Meeting
In Person Location: 109 Capitol St, Augusta Maine, 04330

Board Members in Attendance: Kelsie Snow, Jennifer Reck, Lisa Nolan, Sharon Treat, Susan Wehry, Noah Nesin
(Total = 6)

Board Members Absent: Rhonda Selvin, Karynlee Harrington
Vacant Seat(s): 1

Others Present: Johanna Butler, Rachel Sachs, Sophie Thomas, Andrew York

Advisory Council: Dan Mickool, Kristy Gould, Shonna Poulin-Gutierrez, Jonathan French, Robert Payne

OAHC: Ceilidh Shea, Katherine Senechal

All Others: Ann Woloson, Daniya Siddiqui, Dan Demeritt, Sergio G, Jenna Doer, Kristine Ossenfort, Anthony Madorma, David Large, Alexander Price, Ashlee Waring, Evelyn Pereira, Bruce Colligen, Margaret Reynolds, Drew Gattine, Rachel Cottle Latham, Nimesh Patel, Joseph Oros, Khushi Avichal, Hannah Seitzinger, Anne Brindley, Nicole Wright, Martha Auster, Ranier Simons, Cody Hill, Bryan Fife, Shuri Senbanjo, Helen Fitzpatrick, James Glonek, Hannah Hudson, Olivia Backhaus, Daniel Vigil, Tim Miley, Stacey Worthy, Karla Kiriako

**Please note that these meeting minutes are more condensed than usual due to a technical difficulty in recording the meeting. Thank you for your understanding.*

Agenda Item:	Discussion:	Action/Next Steps:
I. Call to Order	Kelsie Snow called the meeting to order.	
II. Introductions		
III. Approval of the Minutes (May 18, 2026)	Sharon Treat said that on page five, the second sentence of the last paragraph should be deleted for clarity.	Sharon Treat made a motion to approve the minutes with the changes discussed. The motion was seconded.
IV. Administrative Update	Board members heard presentations from Johanna Butler (Director of Health Care Costs at the National Academy for State Health Policy), Sophie Thomas (Executive Director at Colorado Prescription Drug Affordability Board) and Andrew York (Executive Director at Maryland Prescription Drug Affordability Board).	

	Johanna Butler provided a presentation that included background information on UPLs as a policy lever to address high costs, how UPLs can and have been determined in certain states, and the status of implementation in states with UPL authority. Sophie Thomas provided a high-level overview of the Colorado PDABs work to date. Discussion and follow up questions focused on the necessity of interstate agency collaboration throughout the process of implementing a UPL. There was also discussion about the data analytics and external resources used to support the Colorado PDAB's staff in their execution of affordability reviews and other data related work. Andrew York provided a high-level overview of the Maryland PDAB's work to date. Discussion and follow up questions focused on the use of APCD data, Maine's access to APCD data through the Maine Health Data Organization, and how interagency collaboration can address some barriers related to data access and analytics. Rachel Sachs provided a brief update on legal challenges to UPLs. She shared that policy design can reduce or avoid many legal risks or challenges. She touched on the dormant commerce clause and other conflicting information in the drug price gouging space. Ceilidh Shea suggested that OAHG staff create a survey of UPL related topics that could be covered at the July meeting, with opportunity for other input should members have additional ideas. Board members agreed.	
VII. Open Discussion		
VIII. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned.	

Next meeting: July 27th, 2026