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NABP/AACP District 1-2 Meeting
Water's Edge Resort, Westbrook, CT 06498
October 5-7, 2026
DRAFT Program/Agenda

Monday, October 5, 2026

10:00am-5:00pm

Registration Desk

1:00pm-1:20pm

Welcome Address *Westbrook Ballroom 1&2*

Angelo Defazio RPh, CT Comm of Pharmacy, District 1 Chair
Philip Hritcko, PharmD., FCPA, Dean and Clinical Professor,
University of Connecticut, School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical
Sciences, AACP District 1 Chair

1:20pm-2:15pm

Keynote Speaker: The AI Revolution: Transforming Thought, Healthcare, and Pharmacy Practice (1 CEU)

Sean M. Jeffery, PharmD, BCGP, FASCP, AGSF, Professor of Pharmacy Practice, University of Connecticut, School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

2:15pm-2:30pm

Break-Refreshments

2:30pm-4:00pm

Roundtable Discussion of AI topics

Sean M. Jeffery, PharmD, BCGP, FASCP, AGSF, Professor of Pharmacy Practice, University of Connecticut, School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

4:00pm-5:00pm

"The Future of License Portability"

Al Carter, PharmD, MS, RPh. ExecDir/Sec, NABP
Andrew Funk, PharmD, Member Relations/Gov't Affairs NABP
Neal Watson Member Relations/Gov't Affairs NABP

6:00pm-8:00pm

Reception *Royal Terrace (outside)*

Cash Bar, Passed Hors D'Oeuvres, Business Casual Attire

Tuesday, October 6, 2026

7:00am-5:00pm

Registration Desk

6:30am-7:45am

Breakfast Buffet *Royal Ballroom*

7:45am-8:15am

Welcome, Colors, Introductions, Roll Call

Westbrook Ballroom 1&2

8:15am-9:00am

AACP/NABP President's Addresses

9:00am-10:00am	"Gas Station Drugs" (1 CEU, Pharmacy Law) <i>C. Michael White, PharmD., FCP, FCCP, FASHP, Distinguished Professor and Chair of Pharmacy Practice, University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences</i>
10:00am-10:15am	Break-Refreshments
10:15am-11:15am	Roundtable Discussion <i>C. Michael White, PharmD., FCP, FCCP, FASHP, Distinguished Professor and Chair of Pharmacy Practice, University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences</i>
11:15am-12:15pm	NABP D 1&2 1st Business Session <i>Westbrook Ballroom 1&2</i>
12:15pm-5:30pm	Afternoon Activities <i>Essex Steam Train Ride w/2hr riverboat ride, cash bar, light fare Wine Tasting TBA</i>
6:00pm-7:00pm	Networking Reception <i>Royal Terrace</i>
7:00pm-9:00pm	Dinner <i>Royal Ballroom</i>

Wednesday, October 7, 2026

7:00am-12:00pm	Registration Desk
6:30am-7:45am	Breakfast Buffet <i>Royal Ballroom</i>
7:45am-8:00am	Welcome, Roll Call <i>Westbrook Ballroom 1&2</i>
8:00am-9:15am	Elevating Practice: National Trends and Models for Advanced Pharmacy Technician Roles (1 CEU) <i>Ryan Burke, PharmD, Professional Affairs Pharmacy Technician Certification Board Julie Lanza CPhT-Adv CSPT CPTed FMSHP, Pharmacy Training and Education Director, Beth Israel Lahey Health</i>
9:15am-10:30am	Roundtable Discussion on Advanced Tech Roles or Selected Topics
10:30am-10:45am	Break-Refreshments
10:45am-11:30am	NABP D 1&2 2nd Business Session <i>Westbrook Ballroom 1&2</i>
11:30am-12:00pm	Joint Resolution Discussion
12:00pm-12:15pm	Closing Remarks, 2027 Mtg Presentation, Adjournment <i>Angelo DeFazio RPh, CT Comm of Pharmacy, Dist 1 Chair Caroline Juran, Executive Officer, Virginia BOP David Bowyer, West Virginia BOP, NABP Executive Committee</i>



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Dr. Jeffery, Dr. White, Dr. Burke, and Julie Lanza have no financial relationships with ineligible companies.

The AI Revolution: Transforming Thought, Healthcare, and Pharmacy Practice

Universal Activity Number: 0009-9999-26-035-L04-P Application-based

At the completion of the activities, participants should be able to:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describe the fundamental capabilities of current artificial intelligence platforms and explain how AI is transforming the way people access information, make decisions, and perform work across industries, including the implications for workforce displacement and professional adaptation. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify current and emerging applications of artificial intelligence in healthcare, including clinical decision support, AI-assisted medical triage, drug discovery, public health surveillance, and the safety and ethical considerations associated with autonomous clinical AI systems. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evaluate the opportunities, limitations, and ethical implications of integrating AI-powered tools into pharmacy practice, including medication management platforms, e-prescribing networks, population health analytics, and patient-facing AI applications, to inform evidence-based adoption decisions. |

Sean Jeffery, PharmD, BCGP, FASCP, AGSF is Director of Pharmacy Services at Integrated Care Partners, the clinically integrated delivery network for Hartford Healthcare. His career has focused on implementing innovative patient care services for seniors that promote the value of pharmacists in care coordination. Dr. Jeffery is responsible for managing Medicare Part D Star pharmacy quality measures, population health management, and supporting an integrated care-management team and employed medical group. He is also a Professor of Pharmacy Practice at the University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy.

Sean is currently the President-Elect of the Connecticut Pharmacist Association and is also APhA's 25th Treasurer. Sean was President and Chairman of the Board of Directors for the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists from 2012 – 2014. He earned his Bachelor of Science from the University of Connecticut and PharmD from Ohio State University.

“Gas Station Drugs”

Universal Activity Number: 0009-9999-26-036-L03-P Application-based

At the completion of the activities, participants should be able to:

• Describe tianeptine, its pharmacology and adverse events, and why it was the first “gas station heroin” product sold in the United States
• Describe the three different types of kratom derived products (natural leaf, mitragynine extracts, and isolated synthetics (7-OH, mitragynine pseudoindoxyl, MGM-15/16)
• Compare and contrast the pharmacologic similarities and differences between kratom derived products and with traditional opioids
• Describe the clinical trial and descriptive (anecdotal) data on kratom derived products to determine the potential risks and benefits
• Describe a regulatory approach to reduce public health risk but maintain access to natural leaf kratom

C. Michael White, PharmD., FCP, FCCP, FASHP is a Distinguished Professor and Chair of Pharmacy Practice at the University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, member of the Center for Addiction Sciences and Innovation at UConn, and Chair’s the Kratom Consumer Advisory Council.

He has approximately 500 publications with roughly 21,000 citations, placing him on the Elsevier list of the top 2% of scientists in the world. His work has been published in The Lancet, JAMA, Annals of Internal Medicine and many other biomedical journals. He is an internationally recognized expert on product safety including medication, dietary supplements, and quasi-legal products.

He is a fellow of the American Colleges of Clinical Pharmacy and Clinical Pharmacology and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists and has received numerous national awards including the ASHP Drug Therapy Research Award and Award for Sustained Contributions to the Literature, the ACCP Young Investigator of the Year Award, and the AACP Lyman Award and Weaver Award. Prominent national and international news sites have covered his work with a reach of more than 3.5 billion.

Elevating Practice: National Trends and Models for Advanced Pharmacy Technician Roles

Universal Activity Number: 0009-9999-26-037-L04 Application-based

At the completion of the activities, participants should be able to:

• Describe the current landscape of advanced pharmacy technician roles across the United States, including state-level regulatory variability and emerging areas of scope expansion.
• Identify key findings from the 2025 PTCB Pharmacy Technician Workforce Survey and their relevance to workforce planning, retention, and regulatory policy.
• Explain the role of credentials, including advanced and specialty certifications, in supporting safe expansion of pharmacy technician responsibilities.
• Recognize the structural, educational, and cultural elements demonstrated by Beth Israel Lahey Health's technician advancement model that enable pharmacy technicians to practice at the top of their training.

Ryan Burke, PharmD, is the Senior Director of Professional Affairs at the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB), where he develops and maintains relationships with key PTCB stakeholders, including educators, employers, state boards of pharmacy, and state and national pharmacy associations. Before joining PTCB in August 2018, Ryan worked at the American Pharmacists Association (APhA) in practice and professional affairs and governance roles. He also has experience working as a PTCB Certified Pharmacy Technician at Walgreens. Ryan earned his PharmD degree from the University of Louisiana at Monroe College of Pharmacy and completed a post-graduate executive residency program in Association Management and Leadership with the APhA Foundation.

Julie Lanza CPhT-Adv CSPT CPTed FMSHP, is a nationally recognized & awarded Advanced Certified Pharmacy Technician and the Director of Training and Education at Beth Israel Lahey Health System. With nearly 30 years of diverse experience across the pharmacy sector, she has built a reputation as a dedicated and proven leader.

Currently, Julie serves on the MSHP Board of Directors and is a former member of the APhA Board of Trustees. She is also heavily involved with PTCB, NABP, and various state and national associations as a regular speaker and presenter. Her leadership history includes a six-year term on the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy, where she served as both Secretary and President. Alongside her corporate role, she teaches in a local community college's pharmacy technician program.

Throughout her career, Julie has maintained an unwavering commitment to professional development, leadership, and education. She is a passionate advocate for advancing the role of pharmacy technicians, dedicating herself to coaching the broader profession on the vital impact technicians have on patient care.

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