



September 27, 2023

Rep. Josh Kassmier – Chair, Economic Affairs Interim Committee  
Governor Greg Gianforte  
68<sup>th</sup> Montana Legislature  
P.O. Box 201706  
Helena, MT 59620-1706

RE: SB374 (2021) Report to the Legislature and the Governor on Registrations of Medical Practitioners to Dispense Prescription Drugs

Dear Chair Kassmier, Governor Gianforte, and Members of the Legislature:

The Montana Board of Pharmacy (Board), administratively attached to the Department of Labor and Industry, respectfully submits this report on the status of registrations issued to medical practitioners to dispense prescription drugs directly to their patients, as authorized in [SB374](#) during the 2021 Legislative Session. The registration is issued as a Medical Practitioner Dispenser.

Pursuant to Section 2 of [SB374](#) and the required report, the Board provides the following information as of September 27, 2023:

- (1) The Board has issued **79** registrations to medical practitioners who have registered with the Board to dispense prescription drugs.
- (2) There have been **no** enforcement actions taken by the Board or another licensing entity related to complaints about the dispensing practices of medical practitioners.
- (3) There have been **no** actions taken by the Board or another licensing entity in response to complaints about or investigations into the dispensing practices of medical practitioners.

On behalf of the Board of Pharmacy, thank you for the opportunity to provide an update on Medical Practitioner Dispensers. The Board expects that participation will continue to increase to improve patient access to prescription drugs dispensed directly from their medical practitioner. For additional information, please contact me at [mbough@mt.gov](mailto:mbough@mt.gov), or at 406-841-2371.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marcie Bough".

Marcie Bough, PharmD  
Executive Officer

CC: Sarah Swanson, Commissioner