

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD MEETING
Monday, December 8, 2025
Special Meeting- Virtual
Minutes

AGENDA ITEM 1

Call Meeting to Order

Chair Van Mitchell called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

Board Members present: Van Mitchell, Gerard Anderson, Ph.D., Eberechukwu Onukwugha, MS, Ph.D., Stephen Rockower, M.D., Dr. Georges Benjamin

Action: Minutes APPROVED.

AGENDA ITEM 2

Opportunity for Public Comment

Four entities submitted written comments that have been provided to the Board and posted to the website. The following people provided oral public comment:

1. Derek Flowers, Value of Care Coalition, Agenda Item 3
2. George Huntley, DPAC, Agenda Item 3
3. Mary Morlino, MarylandRAREnt, Agenda Item 3

One registered public commenter opted not to speak today.

AGENDA ITEM 3

Board Approval

a. Annual Report

Executive Director Dr. York provided a brief presentation to summarize the Annual Report. Dr. York summarized the key points and findings of the report. The presentation along with the draft Annual Report are posted on the Board page of the website.

The Board had a discussion about the key points and findings of the report. Dr. Anderson suggested eliminating the word “significant” for all new drugs on page 4 of the Annual Report.

Chair Mitchell asked for a motion to approve the Annual Report, striking the word “significant” on page 4. Dr. Anderson made the motion, which Dr. Rockower seconded. Four members voted favorable while one member abstained.

Action: Annual Report APPROVED.

AGENDA ITEM 4

Chair’s Update

- Dr. York stated that Board meetings for CY 2026 are posted on the website.
- The next PDASC Meeting is on December 15, 2025 at 2:00 PM EST.
- Staff will be hosting an Informational Hearing’s for Ozempic and Trulicity on December 16, 2025 at 1:00 PM EST and 6:00 PM EST. Registration to testify at the 12/16 Informational Hearings close on December 10, 2025.
- Staff announced that there are three new stakeholder seats on the PDASC: rare diseases (open), oncology (open), and patient advocacy (filled).
- The next Board meeting will be on January 26, 2026 at 2:00 PM EST.
- The Board announces and accepts the resignation of Board Member Dr. Ebere Onukwugha for December 31, 2026.

AGENDA ITEM 5

Adjournment

Chair Mitchell asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Anderson made the motion and Dr. Benjamin seconded.

Adjourned at 9:41 AM.