



Prescribing and Pharmacology of Controlled Substances: *Current Issues and Strategies for Successful Patient Care*


November 22-23, 2025

Presented by the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners

AGENDA

Saturday, November 22, 2025

7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	Registration and Breakfast (Registered attendees only)
7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.	Welcome and Announcements
7:45 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	Addiction and Substance Use Disorder Issues Theodore V. Parran, Jr., MD Vice Dean Medical Education, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio
8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Prescribing Controlled Substances by Telehealth E. Wilson Hunter, JD General Counsel, Alabama Board of Medical Examiners
9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Break (Registered Attendees only)
9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Psychostimulant and Benzodiazepine Prescribing Theodore V. Parran, Jr., MD Vice Dean Medical Education, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio
10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Gas Station Pharmacology J. Luke Engeriser, MD Deputy Chief Medical Officer, AltaPointe Health Systems, Mobile
11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Basics of Controlled Substances: Utilizing the PDMP as a Monitoring Tool Scott Harris, MD, State Health Officer, Alabama Department of Public Health Nancy Bishop, RPh State Pharmacy Director, Alabama Department of Public Health
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch (Registered Attendees only)
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Buprenorphine: Managing Opioid Use Disorder J. Luke Engeriser, MD Deputy Chief Medical Officer, AltaPointe Health Systems, Mobile
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Prescribing Controlled Substances: A DEA Perspective Clay Morris Chief of Police in Pell City, Retired DEA Supervisory Special Agent Sean Stephen Assistant Chief of Police, Pell City, AL, Retired DEA Supervisory Special Agent

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Break (Registered Attendees only)
3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	 Testosterone: Prescribing Issues George T. Koulianos, MD Founder & Medical Director of The Center for Reproductive Medicine, Mobile, AL
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Prescribing Dilemmas Part I: Case Studies from the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners Gregory W. Ayers, MD Birmingham Hospitalists PC, Birmingham ALBME* Tonya Bradley, MD Auburn Pediatric and Adult Medicine ALBME* E. Wilson Hunter, JD General Counsel, Alabama Board of Medical Examiners Edwin Rogers Chief Investigator, Alabama Board of Medical Examiners David Thrasher, MD Pulmonary and Critical Care, Montgomery ALBME*

Sunday, November 23, 2025

7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	Registration and Breakfast (Registered attendees only)
7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.	Welcome and Announcements
7:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Controlled Substance Prescribing in Collaborative/Supervisory Relationships: Roles and Responsibilities Suzanne Powell, RN Director of Advanced Practice Providers Alabama Board of Medical Examiners
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Controlled Substance Issues in Palliative Medicine and Geriatrics Gregory W. Ayers, MD Birmingham Hospitalists PC, Birmingham ALBME*
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Break (Registered Attendees only)
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	 An Advanced Practice Provider's Perspective on Prescribing in A Collaborative/Supervisory Practice Adam Kinsaul, DNP Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, Precision Southern Orthopedics
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Prescribing Dilemmas Part II: Case Studies from the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners Gregory W. Ayers, MD Birmingham Hospitalists PC, Birmingham ALBME* Adam Harrison, DO Cullman Internal Medicine ALBME* E. Wilson Hunter, JD General Counsel, Alabama Board of Medical Examiners Suzanne Powell, RN Director of Advanced Practice Providers Alabama Board of Medical Examiners David Thrasher, MD Pulmonary and Critical Care, Montgomery ALBME*

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