

# Pharmacogenomics Perils and Pearls

A Case for Pharmacist-Driven Pharmacogenomic Testing as a Tool to Improve Medication Therapy Management Outcomes Within Patient-Centered Precision Pharmacy Practice

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## Learning Objectives

1. Defend pharmacogenomics as an essential aspect in improving medication therapy management outcomes
2. Identify key industry players who have a stake in pharmacogenomics policy
3. Describe five of the 11 policy committee statements regarding the use of genomic and pharmacogenomic data within pharmacy practice that were adopted by the American Pharmacists Association in March 2018

## Learning Objectives

4. Construct a pharmacist-driven, patient-centric pharmacogenomics practice model utilizing the Joint Commission of Pharmacy Practitioners Pharmacists' Patient Care Process as a template
5. Compare and contrast the preemptive, partially preemptive, and reactive pharmacogenomics testing clinical workflow models
6. Describe important considerations when choosing a molecular laboratory to provide pharmacogenomics testing for pharmacogenomics programs

## Learning Objectives

7. Choose trusted evidence-based resources to develop pharmacogenomics practice guidelines and to develop pharmacogenomics clinical support tools and resources

## The US Healthcare System has a DRUG PROBLEM

The diagram shows a skull filled with various colored pills. A red arrow points from the skull to a close-up of a hand placing a pill into a person's mouth. Another red arrow points from the hand to a cartoon character in a suit holding a long, unrolled scroll labeled 'BILL'.

## The Drug Problem

**Trial and Error Medicine**

**Nontherapeutic Medications Adverse Drug Events**

### IMPRECISION MEDICINE

Every person has his/her DNA, the two highest-grossing drugs in the United States fail to improve the conditions of between 3 and 24 people (red).

**1. ABILIFY** (aripiprazole)  
Schizophrenia

**2. NEXIUM** (esomeprazole)  
Heartburn

**3. HUMIRA** (adalimumab)  
Arthritis

**4. CRESTOR** (rosuvastatin)  
High cholesterol

**5. CYMBALTA** (duloxetine)  
Depression

**6. ADVAIR DISKUS** (tiotropium bromide)  
Asthma

**7. ENBREL** (etanercept)  
Psoriasis

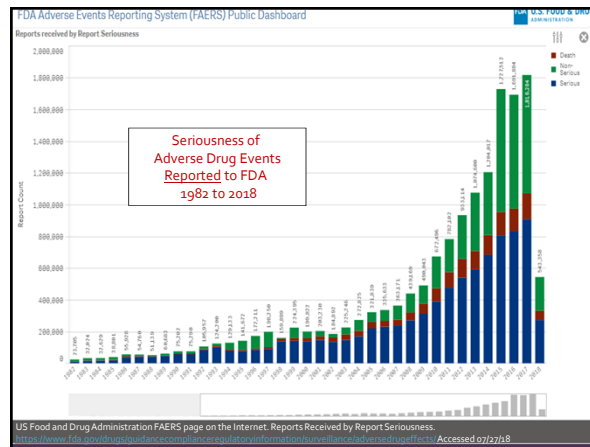
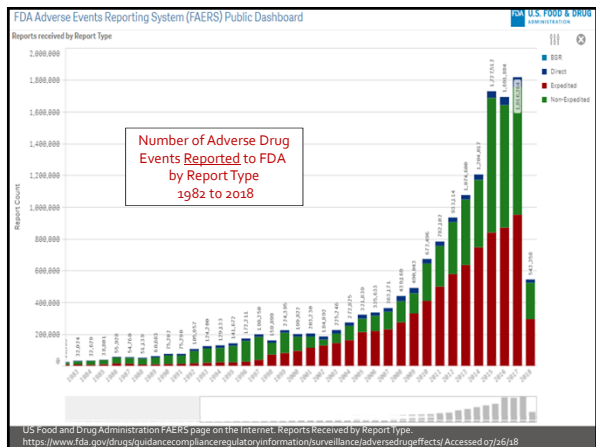
**8. RIMNICADE** (rifaximin)  
Irritable bowel syndrome

**9. COPAXONE** (glatiramer acetate)  
Multiple sclerosis

**10. NEURALTA** (gabapentin)  
Neuropathic pain

Account for **30%** of acute hospital admissions every year

Schork NJ. Personalized medicine: Time for one-person trials. *Nature*. 2015;04-30;520:7549-609-11.doi:10.1038/520609a.



## Costs Associated with Adverse Drug Reactions

### Costs Associated with ADRs

- \$136 BILLION yearly
- Greater than total costs of cardiovascular or diabetic care
- ADRs cause 1 out of 5 injuries or deaths per year to hospitalized patients
- Mean length of stay, cost and mortality for ADR patients are **DOUBLE** that for control patients

Johnson JA et al. *Arch Intern Med* 1995;155(18):1949-1956  
Lange U, et al. *N Engl J Med* 1991;324(9):377-384  
Classen DC et al. *JAMA* 1997;277(4):301-306

US Food and Drug Administration Homepage on the Internet. Preventable adverse drug reactions. <https://tinyurl.com/FDAUCM190621> Accessed 06/28/18

**Employee Presenteeism**

**Avoidable Emergency Room Visits**

**What Nontherapeutic Medications and Adverse Drug Reactions Look Like in Everyday Life**

**Polypharmacy**

**Hospital Readmissions**

**Employee Absenteeism**

## PRECISION MEDICINE

**New Paradigm Shift in Treatment**  
 Transitioning From the 'one-size-fits-all' to 'precision medicine' model with multi-level patient stratification.

**One-size-fit-all Medicine** → **Stratified Medicine** → **Precision Medicine**

Patients are grouped by:

- Disease Subtypes
- Risk Profiles
- Demographics
- Socio-economic
- Clinical Features
- Biomarker
- Molecular sub-populations

Individual patient level:

- Genomics and Omics
- Lifestyle
- Preferences
- Health History
- Medical Records
- Compliance
- Exogenous Factors

**Precision medicine ensures delivery of the right intervention to the right patient at the right time.**

Companion Diagnostic (CDx) → Biomarker → Therapy (Rx + Dx + CDx)

Each Patient Benefits From Individualized Treatment

Forbes Magazine Online. Frott & Sullivan - Figure 1: New Paradigm Shift in Treatment. "Drug Industry Bets Big on Precision Medicine: Five Trends Shaping Care Delivery." <https://www.forbes.com/sites/forbesmagazine/2017/03/08/drug-development-industry-bets-big-on-precision-medicine-5-top-trends-shaping-future-care-delivery/#224e5465d3a2> Accessed 06/28/18.

## Pharmacogenomics

The study of drug responses in relation to specific genetic polymorphisms.

### A Tool in the Precision Medicine Toolbox

More than 150 FDA-approved medications contain pharmacogenomics information in their labeling.

US Food and Drug Administration page on the Internet. Table of Pharmacogenomic Biomarkers in Drug Labels. <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/development/development-issues/precision-medicine-5-top-trends-shaping-future-care-delivery/#224e5465d3a2> Accessed 06/28/18.

## Pharmacogenomics Impacts

Genetic Polymorphisms

- Pharmacokinetic
  - Absorption
  - Distribution
  - Metabolism
  - Excretion
- Pharmacodynamic
  - Receptors
  - Ion Channels
  - Enzymes
  - Immune System

## Pharmacokinetics Pharmacodynamics

J. Adams, Pharmacogenomics and personalized medicine. *Nature Education* 1(2):194 (2008)

## Evidence Based Medicine Includes Pharmacogenomics

Individual Clinical Expertise → Patient's Values & Expectations → Best Available Clinical Evidence → Improved Patient Outcomes

Over 20,000 Articles Exist in PubMed which Discuss Pharmacogenomics

R.M. Weinsilboun and L. Wang, Pharmacogenomics: Precision Medicine and Drug Response. *Mayo Clin Proc* 92(12):1721-1722. (2017)

## HOW DOES PHARMACOGENOMICS IMPROVE MEDICATION THERAPY OUTCOMES?

Therapeutic Relevance

Economic Relevance

VALUE BASED CARE



### Factors Affecting Pharmacogenomics' Therapeutic and Economic Relevance

#### Therapeutic Relevance

- Genomic variation affects the expression level and/or function of the final gene product.
- There is an established relationship between the genomic variation in the therapeutic response and/or outcome.
- The genomic variation affecting therapeutic responses and/or outcomes are
  - of clinical importance; and
  - their effects cannot be more easily assessed by some direct clinical or para-clinical measurement

Peter Wedlund & Jose de Leon, Pharmacogenomic testing: The cost factor. The Pharmacogenomics Journal. 1: 171-4. 10.1038/sj.tpj.6500033 (2001)

### Factors Affecting Pharmacogenomics' Therapeutic and Economic Relevance

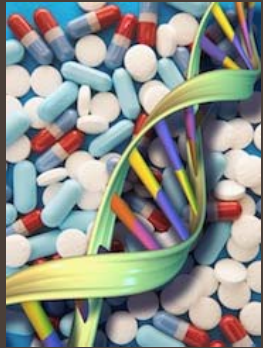
#### Economic Relevance

- Affects the length of in-patient stay or likelihood of hospital admission
- Affects the number of clinical visits
- Affects clinical lab services
- Affects use of ancillary health care services
- Affects the cost of drug therapy by its effect on the use or effectiveness of drug therapy and/or treatment outcomes.

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### Therapeutic

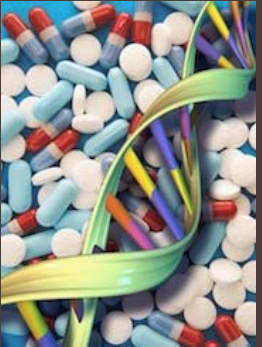
A retrospective report studied individuals (n=1143) who received a 3-gene pharmacogenetic panel and found that 34% of all potential major adverse drug interactions were caused by the patient's genetics rather than drug-drug interactions



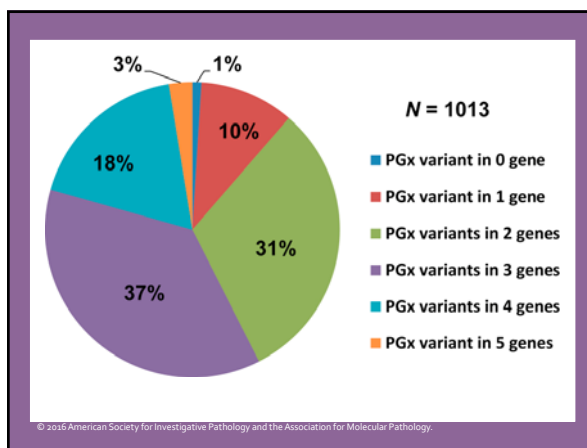
P. Verbeurg, T. Mamiya and J. Oesterheld, How common are drug and gene interactions? Prevalence in a sample of 1143 patients with CYP2C9, CYP2C19, CYP2D6 genotyping. Pharmacogenomics 15(5):655-665 (2014).

### Therapeutic

In a comprehensive analysis of five actionable pharmacogenomic genes using next-generation DNA sequencing and a customized CYP2D6 genotyping cascade, when all five genes were considered together, 99% of the subjects carried an actionable PGx variant(s) in at least one gene.



Ji Yuan, J.M. Blommel, J.H. Moore, et al. Preemptive pharmacogenomic testing for precision medicine: A comprehensive analysis of five actionable pharmacogenomic genes using next-generation DNA sequencing and a customized CYP2D6 genotyping cascade. The Journal of Molecular Diagnostics. JMD, 18(3), 438-445 (2016).



### Therapeutic

The world's largest randomized, controlled study (n=500) of the impact of pharmacogenetics on psychiatric patient treatment to date found that clinical response increased 35% for severely depressed patients when pharmacogenetics was implemented




P. Bradley, M. Sheekh, V. Mehra, et al. Improved efficacy with targeted pharmacogenetic-guided treatment of patients with depression and anxiety: A randomized clinical trial demonstrating clinical utility. *J Psychiatr Res* 96: 100-107. (2018).

### Economic

Highest cost savings are achieved in chronic care patients who consume excessive payer resources.


A systematic review found that pharmacogenetic testing is rapidly becoming more cost effective, and more often cost-saving, as the direct cost of testing falls below \$100 per patient.



M. Verbelan, M.E. Weale & C.M. Lewis, Cost-effectiveness of pharmacogenetic-guided treatment: are we there yet? *Pharmacogenomics* 15(5):655-665. (2017).

### Economic Cardiovascular

When a patient's genomic profile was taken into account, cost savings of approximately \$6,700 per cardiovascular event avoided (when compared to uninformed clopidogrel treatment) or approximately \$11,700 per cardiovascular event avoided (when compared to uninformed prasugrel treatment) were achieved.




E. S. Reese, C. Daniel Mullins, A.L. Beitelshes, et al. Cost-effectiveness of cytochrome P450 2C19 genotype screening for selection of antiplatelet therapy with clopidogrel or prasugrel. *Pharmacotherapy* 32(4):323-332. (2012).

### Economic Psychiatry

A recent meta-analysis study looking at the treatment of psychiatric patients forecasted savings of approximately \$4,000 per patient per year when pharmacogenetics was used (Brown et al. 2017).

A retrospective study found savings of \$562 per patient over just a four-month period with pharmacogenetic testing after taking into account the drug costs represented by increased patient adherence to their prescriptions (Fagerness et al. 2014).




L.C. Brown, R.A. Lorenz & B.M. Deshpande, Economic Utility: Combinatorial Pharmacogenomics and Medication Cost Savings for Mental Health Care in the primary care setting. *Clin Ther* 39(3): 592-602.e591. (2017).  
J. Fagerness, E. Fonseca, G.P. Hess, et al. Pharmacogenetic-guided psychiatric intervention associated with increased adherence and cost savings. *Am J Manag Care* 20(1):e126-126. (2014).

### Economic Long-Term Care

In a long-term care study of patients taking five or more medications, when poorly suited medications were replaced, patients were taken off incompatible or ineffective medications, and two medications or more medications were consolidated into one prescription, the cost savings over one year was \$621 per patient per year.

This correlates to approximately \$1,900 per patient over a three-year period.




J. S. Salvidar, D. Taylor, E.A. Sugarman, Initial assessment of the benefits of implementing pharmacogenetics in to the medical management of patients in a long-term care facility. *Pharmacogenomics Pers Med* 9:1-6. (2016).

### Economic Home Health

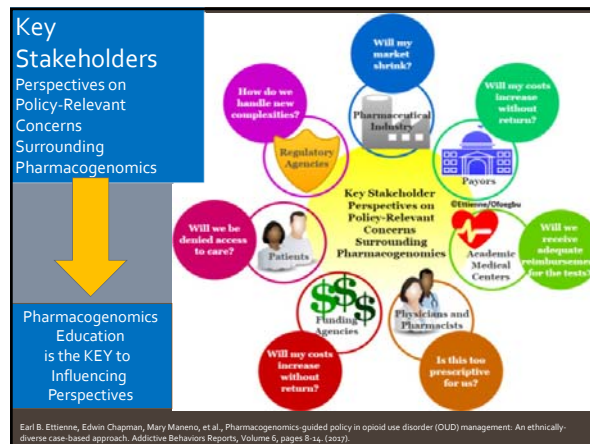
For patients receiving a 6-gene pharmacogenetic panel in primary care preemptive to prescribing, the estimated cost savings gained per patient by reducing additional treatments needed 60 days post hospital release was \$4,382.

Furthermore, rehospitalizations were halved and emergency room visits were nearly halved.



L.S. Elliott, J.C. Henderson, M.B. Neradliek, Clinical impact of pharmacogenetic profiling with a clinical decision support tool in polypharmacy home health patients - A prospective pilot randomized controlled trial. *PLoS One* 12(2): e0170905





**PHARMACISTS,**  
as key stakeholders,  
are uniquely  
positioned to **ADVOCATE**  
for pharmacogenomics

But first,  
pharmacists  
must be  
**INFLUENCED**  
to be  
**INFLUENCERS...**

The 2017-2018 American Pharmacists Association House of Delegates Policy Committee Report supports **PHARMACISTS** as the **KEY Stakeholders** in Advocating for Pharmacogenomics as a Standard of Care

American Pharmacists Association page on the Internet. Use of Pharmacogenomics Data within Pharmacy Practice. [https://pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/2017-18\\_Policy\\_Committee\\_Report\\_FINAL.pdf](https://pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/2017-18_Policy_Committee_Report_FINAL.pdf) Accessed 06/28/18.

**1**

**"The Five Rights"**

**Drug** Is this the **RIGHT** drug?  
**Dose** Is this the **RIGHT** dose?  
**Route** Is this the **RIGHT** route?  
**Time** Is this the **RIGHT** time?  
**Patient** Is this the **RIGHT** patient?

**Patient Safety**

APhA emphasizes genomics as an essential aspect of pharmacy practice.

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**2**

**Pharmacogenomics Consultant**

APhA recognizes pharmacists as the health care professional best suited to provide medication-related consults and services based on a patient's genomic information. All pharmacists involved in the care of the patient should have access to relevant genomic information.

American Pharmacists Association page on the Internet. Use of Pharmacogenomics Data within Pharmacy Practice. [https://pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/2017-18\\_Policy\\_Committee\\_Report\\_FINAL.pdf](https://pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/2017-18_Policy_Committee_Report_FINAL.pdf) Accessed 06/28/18.

# 3

**Privacy**

APHa supports processes to protect patient data confidentiality and opposes unethical utilization of genomic data.

American Pharmacists Association page on the Internet. Use of Pharmacogenomics Data within Pharmacy Practice. [https://www.pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/2017-18\\_Policy\\_Committee\\_Report\\_FINAL.pdf](#). Accessed 06/28/18.

# 4

**Provider Status**

APHa demands payers include pharmacists as eligible providers for covered genomic interpretation and related services to support sustainable models that optimize patient care and outcomes.

American Pharmacists Association page on the Internet. Use of Pharmacogenomics Data within Pharmacy Practice. [https://www.pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/2017-18\\_Policy\\_Committee\\_Report\\_FINAL.pdf](#). Accessed 06/28/18.

# 5

**Genomics Goes Here**

APHa urges pharmacy management system vendors to include functionality that uses established and adopted electronic health record standards for the exchange, storage, utilization, and documentation of clinically actionable genetic variations and actions taken by the pharmacist in the provision of patient care.

American Pharmacists Association page on the Internet. Use of Pharmacogenomics Data within Pharmacy Practice. [https://www.pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/2017-18\\_Policy\\_Committee\\_Report\\_FINAL.pdf](#). Accessed 06/28/18.

# 6

**Evidence Based Practice Guidelines**

Alghari S K, Blakenev L, Rambaran K. (May 30, 2017) Proposal for a Pharmacogenetic Decision Algorithm. Cureus 9(5): e1289. DOI:10.7755/cureus.1289

APHa recommends pharmacists lead the development of evidence-based practice guidelines for pharmacogenomic and related services.

American Pharmacists Association page on the Internet. Use of Pharmacogenomics Data within Pharmacy Practice. [https://www.pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/2017-18\\_Policy\\_Committee\\_Report\\_FINAL.pdf](#). Accessed 06/28/18.

# 7

**Clinical Decision Support**

APHa advocates for the involvement of pharmacists in the development of pharmacogenomic clinical support tools and resources.

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# 8

**Medical Grade Labs**

APHa encourages pharmacists to use their professional judgement and published guidelines when providing access to testing or utilizing direct to consumer genomic test results in their patient care services.

American Pharmacists Association page on the Internet. Use of Pharmacogenomics Data within Pharmacy Practice. [https://www.pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/2017-18\\_Policy\\_Committee\\_Report\\_FINAL.pdf](#). Accessed 06/28/18.

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Clinical Genomics Curriculum

APhA urges schools and colleges of pharmacy to include clinical application of genomics as a required element of the Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum.

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Professional Development

APhA encourages the creation of continuing professional development and post-graduate education and training programs for pharmacists in genomics and its clinical application to meet varying practice needs.

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Cost Effectiveness Research

Healthcare Value =  $\frac{\text{Quality of Care}}{\text{Cost of Care}}$

APhA encourages the funding of pharmacist-led research examining the cost effectiveness of care models that utilize pharmacists providing genomic services.

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Pharmacist-Driven Clinical Pharmacogenomics

How Can Pharmacists Influence Key Stakeholders' Perspectives Regarding Pharmacogenomics as a Standard of Care ?

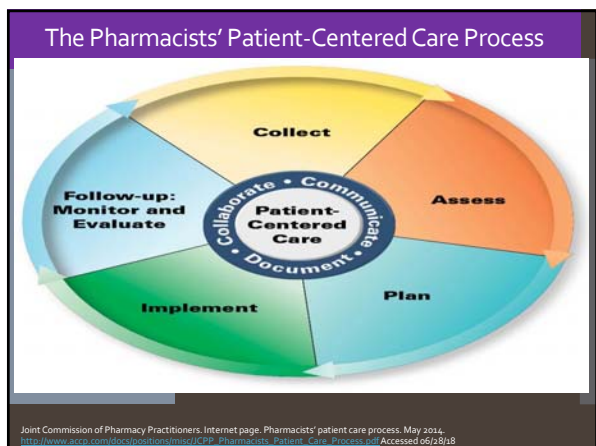
Construct a Pharmacist-Driven, Patient-Centric Pharmacogenomics Model

PCX TESTING

Where to Start? How to Get There?

NO "GOLD STANDARD" PHARMACOGENOMICS MODEL CURRENTLY EXISTS





**COLLECTION**

Consider the entire patient picture in addition to the pharmacogenomics

Subjective  
Past medical history

- adverse drug reactions
- nontherapeutic medications
- polypharmacy

Objective

- Additional clinical lab values

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR COLLECTION**

Who are the payers?

- Do they pay for pharmacogenomic testing?
- Which drug-genes do they pay for?
- Do they pay for genetic counseling?
- How much do they pay?

Which molecular laboratory will provide the testing?

- In-house lab
- Outsourced lab
- Medical laboratory versus entertainment laboratory

Test to be used?

- Single-gene
- Gene panels
- Sequencing

Unclear regulatory landscape

- Clinician-ordered
- Direct to consumer

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR COLLECTION**

Who will physically collect the patient's DNA sample?

- Pharmacist?
- Technician?
- Lab representative?

Safety procedures for handling biological specimens including

- Cheek swab?
- Saliva?
- Mailing restrictions?

### COMPLIANCE

RULES STANDARDS POLICIES REQUIREMENTS REGULATIONS TRANSPARENCY LAW

### Considerations When Choosing a Molecular Laboratory

Testing Quality	Testing Capability/ Capacity	Software Capabilities	Testing Costs
CLIA CERTIFICATION COLA CERTIFICATION CAP Certification	DRUG GENE TESTS AVAILABLE Results turnaround time	Paper results Electronic results Quality of reports	PGX TEST COST -- Wholesale cost -- INSURANCE BILLING -- SELF-PAY CASH OPTION
Analytes Correct analytes? How many analytes tested? Diagnosis of inclusion not exclusion	How many specimens can lab process per day? Capacity to increase testing?	Ability to integrate into EMR	Does testing cost include test kits, return postage? Does cost include software capabilities such as patient stratification?
Clinical staff on hand to facilitate clinical inquiries Physician on staff to order tests	Contingency plans for testing reagents, etc.	CLINICAL DECISION SUPPORT SOFTWARE OFFERED BY LAB? Software capabilities such as patient stratification?	Will clinic be "charged back" for insurance denials/reversals?
No association with fraudulent billing practices	Provides collectors for high volume accounts	Evidence-based genotype to phenotype translation --- CPG --- Pharm GKB --- FDA How often is database updated?	Is there a minimum testing quantity required to secure contract?
LICENSED WITHIN THE STATE for which the samples will be collected	Cheek swabs, saliva, blood specimens Shipping considerations, how long are specimens stable?	Will the test be a static result or will the test data be available over the patients' lifetimes?	**SECURITY OF DATA**

Considerations When Choosing a Molecular Laboratory, Copyright 2018 inGENEious RX

### ASSESSMENT

PGX Test Results

Poor metabolizer

Intermediate metabolizer

Rapid metabolizer

Ultra-rapid metabolizer

### ASSESSMENT

Medication Therapy Management

- Discontinue medication?
- Increase/decrease dose?

Figure 1: Exploitation of an individual's genetic profile to determine his/her response to a certain drug, in terms of both efficacy and toxicity, towards achieving individualized (personalized) therapy.

George Patrinos "Next Generation Pharmacogenomics" Slide 3. <https://slideslayer.com/slides/3561454/> Accessed 7/26/18.

### ASSESSMENT

Clinical Decision Support Tools

What other interactions may result and POSSIBLY be worse than the original interaction?

- drug-gene
- drug-drug
- Drug-food

### SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR ASSESSMENT

What additional training and education will the team need?

- Pharmacogenomics science/ clinical application education
- Clinical workflow training
- Billing training

### When to Pursue Pharmacogenomic Testing

Preemptive Testing

Semi-Preemptive Testing

Reactive Testing

### PREEMPTIVE TESTING

Aims to optimize medication use by having genetic information at the point of prescribing, available before any medication is ever prescribed.

"Pharmacogenomic UTOPIA"

**SEMI-PREEMPTIVE TESTING**

Aims to optimize medication use by having genetic information at the point of prescribing for specially defined "at-risk" populations.

**Population-based PGt approach**

Positive test: responsive to therapy → Standard therapy

Negative test: unresponsive to therapy → Dose modification

**Patient-based PGx approach**

Targeted personalized therapy

**REACTIVE TESTING**

Aims to identify a genetic polymorphism cause for an adverse drug event that has already occurred and prevent further adverse drug events

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR ASSESSMENT**

What additional infrastructure will be needed to facilitate the safe and ethical provision of pharmacogenomics testing?

- Staff
- Information Technology
- Security

Identify pharmacy/collaborative team and predicted responsibilities

- Pharmacist PGx Champion
- Physicians
- Information Technology
- Billing Department

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR ASSESSMENT**

- EHR systems designed for genomic data?
- Results persistently accessible?
  - Updated as new pharmacogenomic guidelines emerge?
- Managing new knowledge or changes in interpretations?
  - Discovering patient has been taking medication not pharmacogenomically suited for the patient.
- Standardization of terms

**PLAN**

Develop an individualized patient-centered care plan

- Evidence-based
- Cost-effective

Collaborate

- Other health care professionals
- Patient or caregiver
- Prevent information silos

How will you communicate results to the patient and other providers?

- Paper reports versus discreet results?

**Special Considerations for Planning**

Develop standardized

- Education
- Protocols
- Policies
- Procedures

How will identified drug therapy problems be addressed?

When will patients be referred to other providers?

**Protocols**

**Special Considerations for Planning**

Where will the results be documented and stored safely according to:

- HIPAA
- GINA
- GDPR



What will your quality control measures be?




**Implement**

The pharmacist implements the care plan in collaboration with other health care professionals and the patient or caregiver.

Considerations:

- Project timeline
- Progress NOT perfection



**MONITOR AND EVALUATE**

The pharmacist monitors and evaluates the effectiveness of the care plan and modifies the plan in collaboration with other health care professionals and the patient or caregiver as needed.

- Record pharmacist interventions
- Record prescriber acceptance of recommendations
- Record patient acceptance
- Record clinical results
- Record financial results
- Evaluate and Report

**Pharmacist-Driven Clinical Pharmacogenomics**

How can Pharmacists Influence Key Stakeholders' Perceptions on Pharmacogenomics as a Standard of Care?




**Know Evidence-Based Resources for PGx information**

FDA  
<https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/ScienceResearch/ucm572698.htm>

PharmGKB  
<https://www.pharmgkb.org/page/pgxImplementationResources>

CPIC  
<https://cpicpgx.org>



**Know Evidence-Based Resources for PGx Information**

National Institutes of Health  
<https://ghr.nlm.nih.gov/primer/genomicresearch/pharmacogenomics>

<https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/results?cond=&term=pharmacogenomics&cntry=&state=&city=&dist=>



Know Evidence-Based Resources for PGx Information

National Institutes of Health  
PGRN  
<http://www.pgrn.org>



PGRN




Summary

Pharmacogenomics is a powerful medication management tool that improves medication therapy management outcomes both therapeutically and economically.

Pharmacists, as medication experts, with the proper pharmacogenomics education, are uniquely positioned to leverage pharmacogenomics as a medication therapy management tool in collaboration with other health care professionals.

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Schedule a consultation on my calendar:  
<https://calendly.com/ingeneioursrx>

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## Patient Education

- How can PGx help me?
- Who performs the test?
- Are PGx results 100% accurate?
- Where are my PGx results stored?
- What happens if my results are mistaken or miscommunicated?
- Can my PGx results change over my lifetime?
- Will my PGx results affect my insurability?

## Provider Education

- Drug therapy problems are the clinical domain of pharmacists
- Major responsibility of the pharmacist practitioner
  - The description of a drug therapy problem directly influences the patient's pharmacotherapy
    - 1. Description of medical condition
    - 2. Drug therapy involved
    - 3. Association between drug therapy and medical condition

Cipolle RJ, Strand LM, Morley PC. Components of a Drug Therapy Problem. In: *Pharmaceutical care practice: the patient centered approach to medication management*. 3rd ed. New York: McGraw-Hill; 2012.

### Payer Education

- What does pharmacogenomics testing cost?
  - Test acquisition cost?
  - Ancillary service costs?
  - Downline costs?
- What financial savings does pharmacogenomics produce?
  - Decreased medication expenses?
  - Decreased adverse drug reaction expenses?
  - Are the savings short term or long term?
  - How long before savings will outweigh the cost for implementation?
- Which randomized, controlled trials show the financial return on investment for the population I serve?
- What is the clinical utility in the patient population I serve?
- What are the guidelines for implementing the testing?
  - Who do we test?
  - When do we test?
- What impact does this testing make on clinical decision making?
- What are the legal risks associated with implementing testing versus not implementing testing?

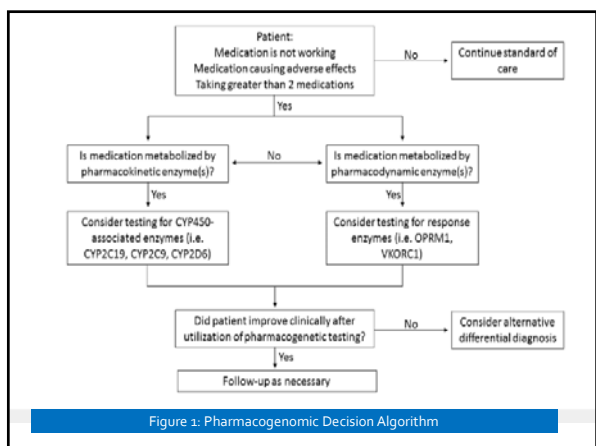
### Pharmacist Driven Clinical Pharmacogenomics

How can Pharmacists influence Key Stakeholders' Perspectives on Pharmacogenomics as a Standard of Care ?

### Advocate For:

- Reimbursement policies for pharmacogenomics testing
- Federal and state law compensating pharmacists who provide direct patient-care services
- Reduction in Interstate licensing burden to address shortage of pharmacogenomics trained pharmacists to provide consulting for patients
- Reduce restrictive laws and regulations governing CPAs
- Reduce limitations on pharmacists' ability to access health information system.

PATIENT CENTERED CARE PROCESSES	Summary Table IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS		
	COLLABORATE	COMMUNICATE	DOCUMENT
<b>COLLECT</b>	Which molecular laboratory will provide the pharmacogenomics testing? Who will physically collect the samples? Lab, RPh, Tech, Patient Who are the payers? Do they pay for PGx testing? Single gene tests? Multi-gene, multi-drug panels?		
<b>ASSESS</b>	Which testing approach will best fit your clinical setting? Preemptive? Reactive? What additional infrastructure will be needed to facilitate the safe and ethical provision of pharmacogenomics testing? Funding, Staff, IT, etc. Identify pharmacy/collaborative team and predicted responsibilities.		
<b>PLAN</b>	Develop standardized education, protocols, policies, procedures How will identified drug therapy problems be addressed? When will patients be referred to other providers? How will results be communicated to prescribers and patients? Where will the results be documented and stored safely according to HIPAA, GINA, G6DP?		
<b>IMPLEMENT</b>	Project Timeline. Progress not Perfection		
<b>MONITOR &amp; EVALUATE</b>	Record pharmacist interventions and patient/prescriber acceptance of recommendations. Record clinical and financial results. Evaluate and Report		



### ADR Facts From the FDA

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#### Why Learn about Adverse Drug Reactions (ADR)?

- Over 2 MILLION serious ADRs yearly
- 100,000 DEATHS yearly
- ADRs 4th leading cause of death ahead of pulmonary disease, diabetes, AIDS, pneumonia, accidents and automobile deaths
- Ambulatory patients ADR rate—unknown
- Nursing home patients ADR rate—350,000 yearly

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## Pharmacist Driven Clinical Pharmacogenomics

How can Pharmacists influence Key Stakeholders' Perspectives on PGx as a Standard of Care ?

## ADVERSE DRUG EVENTS

- Among adults, ADRs are estimated to exceed \$9.5 billion in costs annually
- Account for increasing length of stay in hospitals from 1.7 to 4.6 days
- Account for over 3.5 million physician office visits
- Account for an estimated 1 million emergency department visits
- Account for approximately 125,000 hospital admissions
- Accounted for over 100,000 deaths in 2000

## What do ADEs COST the US Workforce?

**Improperly managed CHRONIC PAIN costs more than \$600 billion a year in both medical costs and lost productivity (\$261 – \$300 billion for health care alone)**

**Low Workplace Morale**

**Longer More Expensive Disability Claims**

In a classic study of Dow Chemical workers, employees who were present but sick actually cost the company more than employees who were out sick. Dow Chemical employees with common illnesses like depression, anxiety, migraines, respiratory illnesses, arthritis, diabetes and back and neck pain had performance levels 10 to 20 percent lower than healthy counterparts.

Recent research shows that the sudden death of a top executive affects not only productivity but also reduces sales and the value of company assets by 50 percent, regardless of the size and age of the company—the more important the employee is the greater the potential loss.

When your employees are absent from work due to sickness, lost productivity costs companies 2.3 times more than the medical and pharmacy bills do

## Clinical Impact

- Drugs ordered yearly: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugattribution/>
- Drug Statistics: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugattribution/>

## Clinical Impact

- Simvastatin use: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugattribution/>
- Codeine use: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugattribution/>
- Plavix use: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugattribution/>

## Clinical Impact

- Coumadin use: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugattribution/>
- Zoloft use: <http://www.cdc.gov/drugattribution/>


### Clinical Impact

**Integration of biological markers for treatment personalization in schizophrenia**  
[http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/schbul/sbv002](#) Fond G, d'Albis MA, Jamain S, Tamouza R, Arango C, Fleischhacker WW, Glenthøj B, Leweke M, Lewis S, McGuire P, Meyer-Lindenberg A, Sommer IE, Winter-van Rossum I, Kapur S, Kahn RS, Rujescu D, Leboyer M. *Schizophr Bull.* 2015 May;41(3):559-73. doi: 10.1093/schbul/sbv002. Epub 2015 Mar 10.



### Clinical Impact

- **Antithrombotic drugs and the genetic evidence** Dandona S. *Methodist Debaque Cardiovasc J.* 2014, Jan-Mar;10(1):13-7.



### Clinical Impact

**Screening of Genetic Polymorphisms of CYP2C19 and CYP2C19\*2** Lee JS, Cheong HS, Kim LH, Kim JO, Seo DW, Kim YH, Chung MW, Han SY, Shin HD. *Korean J Physiol Pharmacol.* 2013 Dec;17(6):479-84. doi: 10.4196/kjpp.2013.17.6.479. Epub 2013 Dec 16.




### Clinical Impact

**Impact of CYP2C19 genetic testing on clinical practice patterns for antiplatelet therapy after acute coronary intervention: a retrospective cohort study** Desai NR, Canestaro WJ, Kyrychenko P, Chaplin D, Martell LA, Brennan T, Matlin OS, Choudhry NK. *Circ Cardiovasc Qual Outcomes.* 2013 Nov;6(6):694-9. doi: 10.1161/CIRCOUTCOMES.113.000321. Epub 2013 Nov 5.



### Financial Impact Cardiovascular

Another study modeling the use of the cardiovascular drugs clopidogrel, ticagrelor, and prasugrel, pharmacogenetics was found to lead to cost savings of \$445 per patient annually (Johnson et al. 2015).



### Financial Impact

**Combinatorial pharmacogenomic guidance for psychiatric medications reduces overall pharmacy costs in a 1 year prospective evaluation.** *Current Medical Research and Opinion.* Vol 31, Issue 9, 2015  
 In this recently published study, evaluating data from more than 13,000 patients being treated for behavioral health issues found:  
 • Patients receiving a PGx test saved \$1,036 per year on average in pharmacy costs alone compared to traditional prescribing methods.  
 • Pharmacogenomic testing improved patients' adherence to the prescribed treatment by 17%.  
 • Polypharmacy was reduced with 1 out of 5 patients being prescribed fewer medications after receiving PGx testing.



ESTIMATION FOR RETURN ON INVESTMENT

- Average of \$1,500 saved per year per average health employee by eliminating costs for non-appropriate medications
- Direct medical costs lowered approx \$300,000 over 2 years for every 183 employees out of 1,000 employees with PGx testing
- Plan members suffering from a mental disorder require on average 78 days of absenteeism per individual over two years which is 35 fewer days than the 113 days for those who do not receive PGx testing.
- Total estimated 28% decline on medical related absenteeism, contributing to reduced disability claims, improved employee productivity and higher revenues
- Early PGx medication optimization can reduce disability to generate 13 times the ROI over the approximate \$500 cost for the service




## USP Standard Setting Process and Compounding Standards


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### Learning Objectives



- Describe the role of USP in setting standards for patient and provider safety
- Understand the standard setting process and opportunities for stakeholder engagement
- Identify practitioner-specific standards for sterile and nonsterile compounding and safe handling of hazardous drugs:
  - <795> *Pharmaceutical Compounding – Nonsterile Preparations*
  - <797> *Pharmaceutical Compounding – Sterile Preparations*
  - <800> *Hazardous Drugs – Handling in Healthcare Settings*
- Describe the timeline and next steps of the revisions to General Chapters <795> and <797>
- Describe the timeline and official date of General Chapter <800>





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### How we work



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### USP Timeline for General Chapter Revisions



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### USP Compounding General Chapters



- Quality Standards
  - <795> Pharmaceutical Compounding – Nonsterile Preparations
  - <797> Pharmaceutical Compounding – Sterile Preparations
  - <800> Hazardous Drugs – Handling in Healthcare Settings
  - <1163> Quality Assurance in Pharmaceutical Compounding
  - <1160> Pharmaceutical Calculations in Prescription Compounding
  - <1168> Compounding for Phase I Investigational Studies
  - <1176> Prescription Balances & Volumetric Apparatus
- Proposed Standard
  - <825> Radiopharmaceuticals—Preparation, Compounding, Dispensing, and Repackaging




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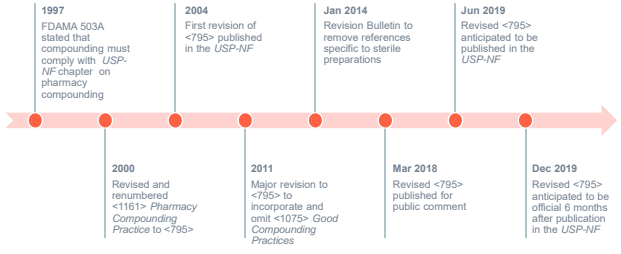
### General Chapter <795>

*Pharmaceutical Compounding – Nonsterile Preparations*

- Provides standards for compounding nonsterile drugs to help ensure patient benefit and reduce risks such as contamination, infection or incorrect dosing.
- The chapter describes requirements for the compounding process, facilities, equipment, components, documentation, quality controls and training.
  - General Chapter <795> also provides general guidelines for assigning beyond-use dates to nonsterile preparations.



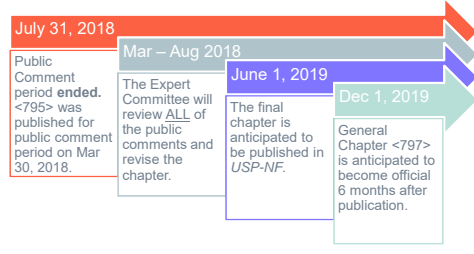
### <795> Background and Development



- 1997**: FDAMA 503A stated that compounding must comply with USP-NF chapter on pharmacy compounding
- 2000**: Revised and renumbered <1161> *Pharmacy Compounding Practice* to <795>
- 2004**: First revision of <795> published in the USP-NF
- 2011**: Major revision to <795> to incorporate and omit <1075> *Good Compounding Practices*
- Jan 2014**: Revision Bulletin to remove references specific to sterile preparations
- Mar 2018**: Revised <795> published for public comment
- Jun 2019**: Revised <795> anticipated to be published in the USP-NF
- Dec 2019**: Revised <795> anticipated to be official 6 months after publication in the USP-NF

### <795> Next Steps

<http://www.usp.org/compounding/general-chapter-795>




- July 31, 2018**: Public Comment period ended. <795> was published for public comment period on Mar 30, 2018.
- Mar – Aug 2018**: The Expert Committee will review ALL of the public comments and revise the chapter.
- June 1, 2019**: The final chapter is anticipated to be published in USP-NF.
- Dec 1, 2019**: General Chapter <797> is anticipated to become official 6 months after publication.

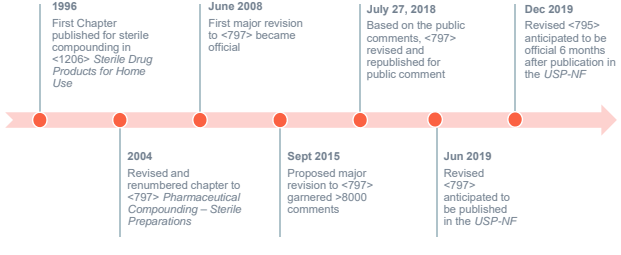
### General Chapter <797>

*Pharmaceutical Compounding – Sterile Preparations*

- Provides standards for compounding sterile drugs to help ensure patient benefit and reduce risks such as contamination, infection or incorrect dosing
- The chapter describes a number of requirements, including responsibilities of compounding personnel, training, facilities, environmental monitoring, and storage and testing of finished preparations




### <797> Background and Development



- 1996**: First Chapter published for sterile compounding in <1206> *Sterile Drug Products for Home Use*
- 2004**: Revised and renumbered chapter to <797> *Pharmaceutical Compounding – Sterile Preparations*
- June 2008**: First major revision to <797> became official
- Sept 2015**: Proposed major revision to <797> garnered >8000 comments
- July 27, 2018**: Based on the public comments, <797> revised and republished for public comment
- Jun 2019**: Revised <797> anticipated to be published in the USP-NF
- Dec 2019**: Revised <795> anticipated to be official 6 months after publication in the USP-NF

### <797> Next Steps

<http://www.usp.org/compounding/general-chapter-797>



- Jul 27 – Nov 30, 2018**: Provide public comments on the revisions to <797>
- Sept 5, 2018**: Attend the Open Microphone session with Expert Committee members
- June 1, 2019**: The final chapter is anticipated to be published in USP-NF
- Dec 1, 2019**: General Chapter <795> is anticipated to become official 6 months after publication

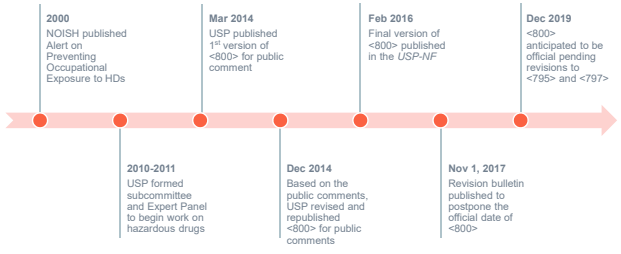
### General Chapter <800>

#### Hazardous Drugs – Handling in Healthcare Settings



- Describes requirements including responsibilities of personnel handling hazardous drugs; facility and engineering controls; procedures for deactivating, decontaminating and cleaning; spill control; and documentation.
- These standards apply to all healthcare personnel who receive, prepare, administer, transport or otherwise come in contact with hazardous drugs and all the environments in which they are handled.

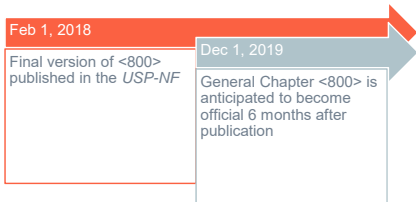
### <800> Background and Development



- 2000**: NOISH published Alert on Preventing Occupational Exposure to HDS
- 2010-2011**: USP formed subcommittee and Expert Panel to begin work on hazardous drugs
- Mar 2014**: USP published 1<sup>st</sup> version of <800> for public comment
- Dec 2014**: Based on the public comments, USP revised and republished <800> for public comments
- Feb 2016**: Final version of <800> published in the USP-NF
- Nov 1, 2017**: Revision bulletin published to postpone the official date of <800>
- Dec 2019**: <800> anticipated to be official pending revisions to <795> and <797>

### <800> Next Steps

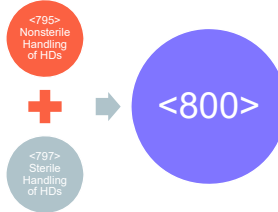
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- Feb 1, 2018**: Final version of <800> published in the USP-NF
- Dec 1, 2019**: General Chapter <800> is anticipated to become official 6 months after publication


### Alignment of Compounding Chapters

- Proposals of <795> and <797> eliminates provisions for handling of hazardous drugs
  - Compounding of hazardous drugs must additionally comply with <800> Hazardous Drugs – Handling in Healthcare Settings
- All 3 chapters, revised <795>, revised <797>, and existing <800> are anticipated to become official on **Dec 1, 2019**



### General Chapter <825>


#### Radiopharmaceuticals – Preparation, Compounding, Dispensing, and Repackaging



- Describes radiopharmaceuticals, a unique class of drug products where compounding and other handling activities include:
  - the use of radionuclide generators,
  - the preparation of commercially-manufactured radiopharmaceutical kits,
  - the dilution of FDA-approved multi-dose vials,
  - the labeling of human blood products with radionuclides,
  - the preparation of patient-specific radiopharmaceutical doses,
  - and other activities.

### <825> Next Steps

<http://www.usp.org/chemical-medicines/general-chapter-825>

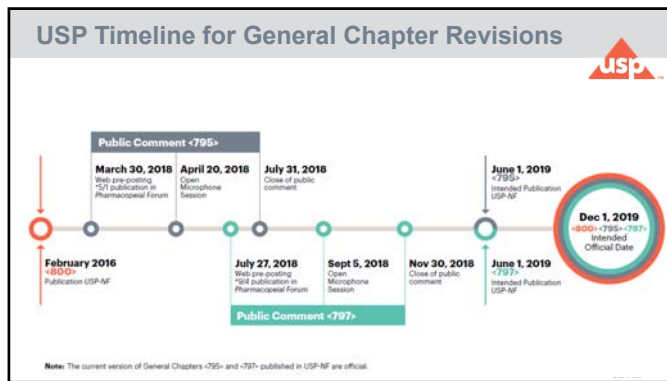


- Jul 27 – Nov 30, 2018**: Provide public comments on the revisions to <825>
- Oct 10, 2018**: Attend the Open Microphone session with Expert Committee members
- June 1, 2019**: The final chapter is anticipated to be published in USP-NF
- Dec 1, 2019**: General Chapter <795> is anticipated to become official 6 months after publication

### Alignment of Compounding Chapters

- <797> revision proposal eliminates section of Radiopharmaceuticals as Compounded Sterile Preparations
  - Compounding of radiopharmaceuticals is subject to the requirements in (825) Radiopharmaceuticals—Preparation, Compounding, Dispensing, and Repackaging
  - <825> published for public comment on July 27, 2018
- Both revised <797> and <825> anticipated to become official on Dec 1, 2019

The diagram shows a blue circle labeled '<797>' and a blue circle labeled 'Radiopharm' with arrows pointing to a larger pink circle labeled '<825>', indicating the consolidation of these two sections into a single chapter.



### Submit Comments on <797> and <825>

- <797> <http://www.usp.org/compounding/general-chapter-797>
- <825> <http://www.usp.org/chemical-medicines/general-chapter-825>

#### General Chapter <797> Pharmaceutical Compounding – Sterile Preparations

Millions of medications are compounded each year in the US to meet the unique needs of patients. Compounding provides access to medication for patients who may not be able to use commercially available formulations due to dosing requirements, allergies or rare diseases. Medications that are required to be sterile include those administered through injection, intravenous infusion (IV), intraocular injection in the eye) or intrathecal injection in the spine).

**Important Updates**

- July 27, 2018 - The proposed <797> revision is now posted for public comment\*\*

Download the Proposed Revision to GC <797> | Submit Comments to the Proposed Revision to GC <797>

### USP Resources

- General**
  - USP Web Page: Healthcare Quality & Safety
  - Compounding Compendium
  - USP Education
- Compounding**
  - <795> Pharmaceutical Compounding – Nonsterile Preparations
  - <797> Pharmaceutical Compounding – Sterile Preparations
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### Questions

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## Update on USP <795> Revisions

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## Learning Objectives

- Review the major differences between the current <795> chapter and the proposed revised chapter.
- Enhance audience understanding of the comment process utilized by USP.
- Summarize the most significant comments received by the close of the comment period.

## Background



## Overview of Major Changes

- **Purpose of Current Revision**
  - To reflect new science and evidence based on updated guidance documents, best practices, and new learnings from investigations
  - To respond to stakeholder input received throughout the cycle
  - To clarify topics that are frequently queried and misconstrued
  - To align with published <800> and revision efforts for <797>
- **Current <795> Served as an Template for Revision**
  - Many sections were "summary" statements and were expanded to add clarity and additional information
  - Revision proposal was modeled after current revision efforts for <797>

## <795> Proposal

Sections in the currently official <795> that have been **omitted** in the revision proposal

- Categories of Compounding
  - Criteria for Simple, Moderate, and Complex eliminated
- Patient Counseling
- Compounding for Animal Patients

Content in currently official <795> that have been **developed into new sections**

- Component Selection, Handling, and Storage
- Packaging and Drug Preparation Containers
- Compounding Documentation
- Compounding Controls
- Quality Control

## <795> Overview

- |   |  |
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| 1. INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE   | 8. RELEASE TESTING                                   |
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## <795> Proposal

### Section 1. Introduction And Scope

- Scope
  - Added information on types of Compounded Nonsterile Preparations (CNSP)
- Hazardous Drugs
  - Removed all information on handling of hazardous drugs
  - Added references to General Chapter <800> *Hazardous Drugs — Handling in Healthcare Settings*
- Affected Personnel and Settings
  - Added roles and responsibility of the designated person
    - Designated person = one or more individual responsible and accountable for the performance and operation of the facility and personnel

## <795> Proposal

### Section 2. Personnel Qualifications—Training, Evaluation, And Requalification

- Added guidance on training and core competencies
- Included steps in training procedures

### Section 3. Personal Hygiene And Garbing

- Added Box on Hand Hygiene Procedures
- Included description of garb and glove requirements
  - Gloves are required for all compounding activities
  - Other garb must be used as appropriate for the type of compounding



## <795> Proposal

### Section 4. Buildings And Facilities

- Added requirement for a designated space for nonsterile compounding
- Area must be designed and controlled to provide well-lit and comfortable conditions for garbed personnel
- Surfaces in a compounding area must be cleanable and clean
- Easily accessible sink must be available

### Section 5. Cleaning and Sanitizing

- New table on minimum frequencies of cleaning and sanitizing surfaces in the nonsterile compounding areas, including
  - Floors
  - Walls
  - Ceilings
  - Storage Shelving



## <795> Proposal

### Section 6. Equipment and Components

- Includes frequency for cleaning and sanitizing compounding equipment
- Any weighing, measuring, or other manipulation of an API or added substance in powder form that can generate airborne contamination from drug particles must occur inside a containment device
  - CVE must be certified annually
- Components
  - APIs must be manufactured by an FDA-registered facility
    - Each API must be accompanied by a valid COA
  - Ingredients other than APIs should be obtained from an FDA-registered facility
  - Packages of ingredients that lack vendor expiration must not be used after 1 year from the date of receipt



## <795> Proposal

### Section 7. SOPs and Master Formulation And Compounding Records

- Boxes include required elements of Master Formulation Record and Compounding Record

### Section 8. Release Testing

- Confirm CNSP and labeling match Compounding Records
- Visual inspections to determine if physical appearance is as expected
- Other tests to ensure quality (e.g. pH, assays)

### Section 9. Labeling

- Requirements for labels (labeling on immediate container)
- Requirements for labeling (all matter on container or in package or wrapper)

## <795> Proposal

### Section 10. Establishing Beyond-Use Dates

- Terminology
  - Expiration Date = applies to conventionally manufactured drug products
  - BUD = applies to CNSPs calculated in terms of hours, days, or months
- Parameters to consider
  - Chemical and physical stability
  - Compatibility of container-closure system
  - Degradation of container-closure system
  - Potential for microbial proliferation



## <795> Proposal

**Section 10. Establishing Beyond-Use Dates**

- Maximum BUD by Type of Preparation in the Absence of CNSP-Specific Stability Information
  - Day that preparation is compounded is considered day 1

Type of Preparation	BUDs (days)	Storage Temperature
Solid dosage forms	180	Controlled room temperature
Nonaqueous dosage forms <i>Aw</i> ≤ 0.6	90	Controlled room temperature
Preserved aqueous dosage forms	30	Controlled room temperature
Non-preserved aqueous dosage forms <i>Aw</i> > 0.6	14	Refrigerator

## <795> Proposal

**Section 10. Establishing Beyond-Use Dates**

- In the Presence of CNSP-Specific Stability Information
  - BUD may be extended up to maximum of 180 days
  - Stability-indicating assay for the specific API, CNSP, and container-closure that will be used
  - Must first be tested for antimicrobial effectiveness <51> at the end of the proposed BUD
- Shorter BUDs May be Required
  - If ingredients have an earlier expiration date
  - If components have an earlier expiration date or BUD
  - If ingredients are known to be susceptible to decomposition

## <795> Proposal

**Section 11. Quality Assurance and Quality Control**

- Quality Assurance (QA) = set of written processes that, at a minimum, verifies, monitors, and reviews the adequacy of the compounding process
- Quality Control (QC) = observation of techniques and activities that demonstrate that requirements are met
- Facilities must have a formal QA and QC program
  - Must be documented in SOPs
  - Annual assessment

**Section 12. CNSP Handling, Packaging, Storage, And Transport**

- Program that will provide information and protections needed for safe handling and storage of CNSPs and/or components
- Packaging materials to maintain physical and chemical integrity and stability of the CNSP
- Monitoring and SOPs to detect and prevent temperature excursions

## <795> Proposal

**Section 13. Complaint Handling And Adverse Event Reporting**

- SOPs for complaint receipt, acknowledgement, and handling
- Adverse event reporting
  - FDA MedWatch (human drugs)
  - Form FDA 1932a (animal drugs)

**Section 14. Documentation**

- Written or electronic documentation
- Required compounding records must be retrievable for ≥ 3 years after preparation or as required by applicable laws and regulations of the regulatory jurisdiction, whichever is longer

## <795> Next Steps

July 31, 2018: Public Comment period ended. <795> was published for public comment period on March 30, 2018.

Mar – Aug 2018: The Expert Committee will review ALL of the public comments and revise the chapter.

June 1, 2019: The final chapter is anticipated to be published in USP-NF.

Dec 1, 2019: General Chapter <795> is anticipated to become official 6 months after publication.

## QUESTIONS?

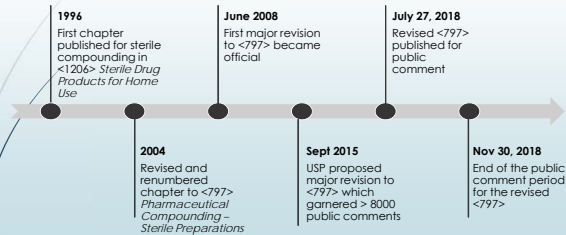
## Update on USP <797> Revisions

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## Learning Objectives

- Compare proposed changes to USP <797> with the current Chapter.
- Identify at least 3 major changes to USP Chapter 797 that have been proposed by the USP Compounding Expert Committee.
- Review the major benefits of the revision

## Background



## Purpose of Current Revision

- To address public comments received in the first revision proposal in September 2015
- To clarify topics that are frequently queried and misconstrued
- To align with published <800> and revision efforts for <795>

## Overview of Major Changes

- Reorganized to include section and subsection numbers.
- Placement of procedural information in boxes.
- Revised definition of the scope of the chapter to include sterile compounding activities and exclude administration of medication
- Simplified compounded sterile preparation (CSP) microbial risk levels from three (low, medium, and high) to two
  - **Category 1 CSPs** have a shorter BUD and may be prepared in an unclassified segregated compounding area (SCA).
  - **Category 2 CSPs** have a longer BUD and must be prepared in a cleanroom suite (buffer room with ante-room).

## Overview of Major Changes

- Added guidance on use and storage of opened or needle-punctured conventionally manufactured products and CSPs.
- Added information on notification and recall of (previously dispensed) CSPs that have out-of-specification results.
- Clarified requirements for compounding allergy extract prescription sets.
- Removed information related to handling of hazardous drugs
- Removed of the section on radiopharmaceuticals as CSPs
  - Added reference to *Radiopharmaceuticals—Preparation, Compounding, Dispensing, and Repackaging* (825)
  - General chapter (825) is also proposed for public comment in PF 44(5)



### <797> Proposal

1. Introduction and Scope
2. Personnel Qualifications—Training, Evaluation, and Requalification
3. Personal Hygiene and Garbing
4. Facilities and Engineering Controls
5. Microbiological Air and Surface Monitoring
6. Cleaning and Disinfecting Compounding Areas
7. Equipment, Supplies, and Components
8. Sterilization And Depyrogenation
9. SOPs and Master Formulation and Compounding Records
10. Release Testing
11. Labeling
12. Establishing Beyond-Use Dates
13. Use Of Conventionally Manufactured Products
14. Use of CSPs as Components
15. Quality Assurance And Quality Control
16. CSP Storage, Handling, Packaging, Shipping, And Transport
17. Documentation
18. Compounding Allergenic Extracts

Glossary  
Appendices

### <797>: Major Elements of Revision

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### <797> Categories of CSPs

**Category 1 CSPs**

May be prepared in a PEC located in a unclassified segregated compounding area

Assigned a BUD of ≤ 12 hours at controlled room temperature or ≤ 24 hours when refrigerated

**Category 2 CSPs**

**Must** be prepared in a cleanroom suite

Assigned a BUD of > 12 hours at controlled room temperature or > 24 hours if refrigerated

### <797>: Summary of Minimum Requirements

	Category 1	Category 2
<b>Personnel Qualifications</b>		
Visual observation of hand hygiene and garbing	Every 6 months	Every 6 months
Gloved fingertip and thumb sampling	Every 6 months	Every 6 months
Media fill testing	Every 6 months	Every 6 months
Requalification	Every 12 months	Every 12 months

### <797>: Summary of Minimum Requirements

	Category 1	Category 2
<b>Buildings and Facilities</b>		
Placement of the primary engineering control (PEC)	Not required to be placed in a classified area	Required to be placed in a classified area
Recertification control	Every 6 months for the PEC	Every 6 months for the PEC and secondary engineering control (SEC)
Nonviable airborne monitoring	Every 6 months	Every 6 months
<b>Microbiological Air and Surface Monitoring</b>		
Viable air sampling	Every 6 months	Every 6 months
Surface sampling	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Monthly</b>

### <797>: Summary of Minimum Requirements

	Category 1	Category 2
<b>Release Testing</b>		
Visual inspection	Required	Required
Sterility testing	Not required	Based on assigned BUD
Endotoxin testing	Not required	Based on assigned BUD (e.g., if sterility testing is required)

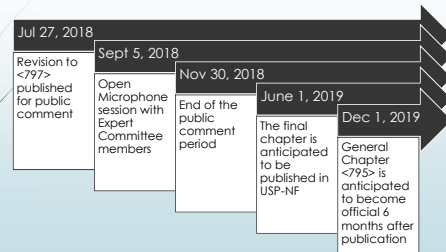
### <797>: BUDs for Category 1 CSPs

Storage Conditions		
	Controlled Room Temperature (20°–25°)	Refrigerator (2°–8°)
<b>BUD</b>	≤ 12 hours	≤ 24 hours

### <797>: BUDs for Category 2 CSPs

Preparation Characteristics		Storage Conditions		
Sterilization Method	Sterility Testing Performed & Passed	Controlled Room Temperature (20°–25°)	Refrigerator (2°–8°)	Freezer (-25° to -10°)
Aseptically prepared CSPs	No	Prepared from one or more nonsterile starting component(s): 1 day Prepared from only sterile starting components: 4 days	Prepared from one or more nonsterile starting component(s): 4 days Prepared from only sterile starting components: 9 days	Prepared from one or more nonsterile starting component(s): 45 days Prepared from only sterile starting components: 45 days
	Yes	30 days	45 days	60 days
Terminally sterilized CSPs	No	14 days	28 days	45 days
	Yes	45 days	60 days	90 days

### <797> Next Steps



### Questions



## Compounding for Non-Human Patients: A Regulatory Update

National Association of Boards of Pharmacy District III Meeting  
Asheville, NC  
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## Objectives

1. Recognize the necessity of compounding to meet the medication needs of non-human patients.
2. Recall past legislature regarding compounding for non-human patients.
3. Describe recent guidance concerning compounding from bulk-drug substances for non-human patients.
4. Strategize how to meet the compounding needs of veterinary patients in the current environment.
5. Identify appropriate veterinary drug and veterinary compounding resources.

## Why Do We Compound for Non-Human Patients?

- Doses and strengths for patients ranging from 8 grams to 800 kilograms.
- When commercially available products are inappropriate (strength, dosage form, etc)
- When commercially available products contain toxic excipients
- When no commercially available product exists
- To increase compliance, reduce treatment failure, and support the human-animal bond

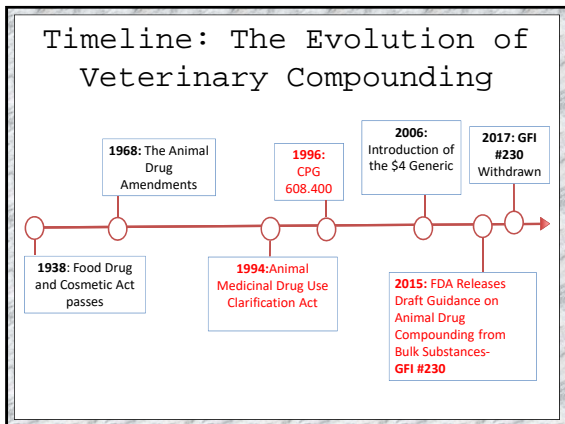
## The Scope

- "We estimate that approximately **75,000 pharmacies** will receive approximately **6,350,000 prescriptions** for compounded animal drugs annually."

U.S. Food and Drug Administration Draft Guidance for Industry #230-Compounding Animal Drugs from Bulk Drug Substances. Accessed July 2018. <<https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary>>

## Who Compounds for Non-Human Patients?

- Pharmacists
  - Valid prescription
  - Valid Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (The "VCPR")
- Veterinarians
  - Within own practice
  - For own patients
  - Within expertise and facilities



### AMDUCA: Animal Medicinal Drug Use Clarification Act

- "permits veterinarians to prescribe extralabel uses of certain approved new animal drugs and approved human drugs for animals under certain conditions."
  - Prescribe approved human drugs off-label
  - Prescribe approved animal drugs off-label
  - Prescribe compounded drugs with either of the above as starting ingredients
  - Prescribe compounded drugs with bulk

### AMDUCA: Animal Medicinal Drug Use Clarification Act

- 21 CFR 530.13 (Rules and Provisions for Extralabel uses of Drugs in Animals)
  - Compounding from approved products is already permitted under 21 CFR 530.13

Sec. 530.13 Extralabel use from compounding of approved new animal and approved human drugs.

(a) This part applies to compounding of a product from approved animal or human drugs by a veterinarian or a pharmacist in the order of a veterinarian within the practice of veterinary medicine. Nothing in this part shall be construed as permitting compounding from bulk drugs.

(b) Extralabel use from compounding of approved new animal or human drugs is permitted if:

(1) All relevant portions of this part have been complied with;

(2) There is no approved new animal or approved new human drug that, when used as labeled or in conformity with criteria established in this part, will, in the available dosage form and concentration, appropriately treat the condition diagnosed. Compounding from a human drug for use in food-producing animals will not be permitted if an approved animal drug can be used for the compounding;

(3) The compounding is performed by a licensed pharmacist or veterinarian within the scope of a professional practice;

(4) Adequate procedures and processes are followed that ensure the safety and effectiveness of

### The Real Issue?

- Compounding from BULK drug substances
- Not addressed in AMDUCA
- IS addressed:
  - FDA CPG Sec 608.400
  - FDA GFI #230

### FDA CPG Sec 608.400

#### Compounding of Drugs for Use in Animals

- Written 7/3/1996, revised 7/8/2003
- "FDA position [is] that the [Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act] does not permit veterinarians to compound unapproved finished drug products from bulk drug substances, unless the finished drug is not a new animal drug."
- FDA is greatly concerned about...manufacturing and distributing unapproved new animal drugs...outside the bounds of traditional pharmacy practice and that violates the Act
  - (e.g., compounding that is intended to circumvent the drug approval process and provide for the mass marketing of products that have been produced with little or no quality control or manufacturing standards to ensure purity, potency, and stability of the product)
  - These activities are the focus of this guidance

### FDA CPG Sec 608.400

#### Compounding of Drugs for Use in

- Contains a list of compounds that would not normally be compounded and used
- Remember, compounding is not a law
  - Guidance document of FDA staff
  - Not Law
- FDA CPG Sec 608.400 May 18, 2015
- Replaced with a DRAFT of GFI #230

Ammonium molybdate  
Ammonium tetrathiomolybdate  
Ferric ferrocyanide  
Methylene blue  
PicROTOXIN  
Pilocarpine  
Sodium nitrate  
Sodium thiosulfate  
Tannic acid

**DRAFT Guidance for Industry**  
**#230**

Compounding Animal Drugs from Bulk Drug  
Substances

- "Current law does not permit compounding of animal drugs from bulk substances, but the FDA recognizes that there are limited circumstance when an animal drug compounded from bulk drug substances may be an appropriate treatment option."
- Remember, Guidance for Industry is:
  - Guidance document for industry to act in a way that FDA would not normally object
  - Not law

**DRAFT Guidance for Industry #230**  
Compounding Animal Drugs from Bulk Drug  
Substances

- "Nothing should be construed as permitting compounding animal drugs from bulk drug substances."
- "Generally, **FDA does not intend to take action** if a pharmacy or veterinarian compounds animal drugs from bulk drug substances in accordance with the conditions described below"
  - If compounded by a **State-licensed pharmacy...**
  - If compounded by a **Veterinarian...**
  - If compounded by an **Outsourcing facility...**

**DRAFT Guidance for Industry #230**  
Compounding Animal Drugs from Bulk Drug  
Substances

- Tolerance of the use of bulk drug to compound for non-food-producing patients when
  - No commercially available starting ingredient exists
  - Commercially available starting ingredients are not suitable
- **Withdrawn** November 2017

**GFI #230: State-licensed**  
**pharmacies**

- Adverse events/product defects be reported to FDA on Form FDA 1932a
- Bulk drug substances must be obtained from FDA-registered manufacturer and have valid COA
- Required to compound in accordance to USP <795>, <797>
- No compounding from bulk drug for food-producing animals.
  - (More on this later)
- Documentation
  - Species (on prescription or compounding record)
  - Rationale for using bulk drug substance

**GFI #230: Veterinarians**

- Compounding must be done by veterinarian for patient under his or her care
- Adverse events/product defects be reported to FDA on Form FDA 1932a
- No compounding with bulk drug substances for food animals (more later)
- Required to compound in accordance to USP <795>, <797>
- May not sell or transfer any compound prepared using bulk ingredients to another clinic or another veterinarian

**GFI #230: Outsourcing**  
**Facilities**

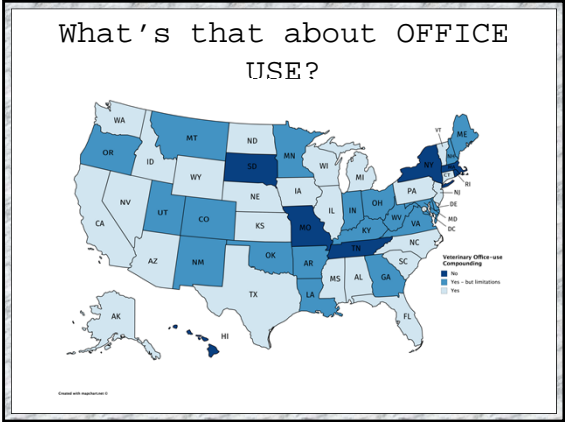
- Drugs compounded by outsourcing pharmacies are limited to bulk drug substances listed [list to be determined, **Appendix A**]
- Required outsourcing pharmacies to include on label of all drugs compounded with bulk drug **"This drug will not be dispensed or administered to food-producing animals."**
- (Should already be reporting adverse events to the FDA)
- (Again, no compounding from bulk drug substances for food animals)
- (Compounds included in biannual report to the FDA, but separate from drugs compounded for humans)
- (Compounding must be in accordance to cGMP requirements)



### What about OFFICE USE?

- Office Use: "compounded drug products kept as office stock/ for office use by hospitals, clinics, or health care practitioners to administer to patients who present with an immediate need for a compounded drug product"
- Frequent occurrence in veterinary medicine

Prescription Requirement Under Section 503A of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act: Guidance for Industry, December 2016



### What about RESALE?

- "Not for resale."
- "For use only in [fill in species and any associated condition or limitation listed in Appendix A]."
- "Compounded by [name of outsourcing facility]."
- "Adverse events associated with this compounded drug should be reported to FDA on a Form FDA 1932a."

Veterinary Compound  
 Limitations

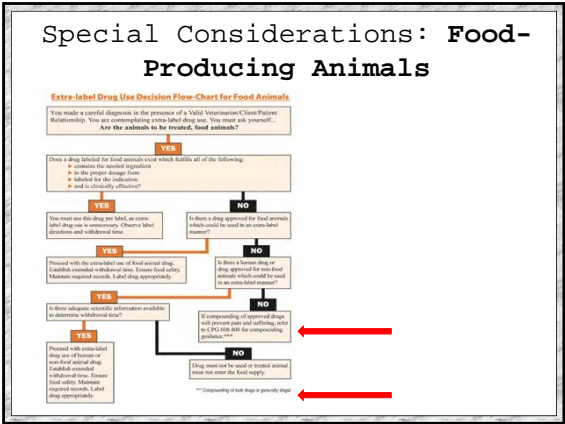
### GFI #230: Prescriptions for Compounds from Bulk Drug

- Prescriptions order states species and condition(s) for which the substance is listed in Appendix A (outsourcing facilities)
- Prescriptions contain:
  - a statement that the change between the compounded drug and the FDA approved drug produces a clinical difference for the individual identified patient (state-licensed pharmacies)
  - "This animal is not a food producing animal."
  - "There are no FDA-Approved animal or human drug that can be used as labeled or in an extra-label manner under section 512(a)(4) and (5) and 21 CFR part 530 to appropriately treat the disease, symptom, or condition for which this drug is being prescribed"

### GFI #230: Labeling of Drugs Compounded From Bulk Drug

- Species of intended animal patient
- Name of animal patient
- Name of owner or caretaker

- \*Required if compounded by pharmacy or veterinarian



GFI #230: Food-Animals are Defined as:

- Cattle
- Swine
- Chickens
- Turkeys
- Sheep
- Goats
- Non-ornamental fish
- \*\*Regardless of intended use

Compounding for Food-Producing Animals

- Likely highest regulatory priority for FDA
- Do not compound with bulk drug\*
- Do not compound from "Prohibited and Restricted Drugs in Food Animals" under AMDUCA, 21 CFR part 530
  - Group 1: Drugs with no allowable ELDU in any food-producing animal species
  - Group 2: Drugs with restricted ELDU in food-producing animal species
  - Group 3: Drugs with specific <sup>mess it is an antidote</sup> restrictions for Grade "A" dairy

"Prohibited and Restricted Drugs in Food Animals"

**GROUP I. Drugs with No Allowable Extra-Label Uses in Any Food-Producing Animal Species**

- CHLORAMPHENICOL
- CLINDAMYCIN
- DIETHYLTHTLSTEROL (DES)
- FLUOROQUINOLONE-CLASS ANTIBIOTICS
- GLYCOPOLYPTIDES - all agents, including VANCOMYCIN
- MEDICATED FEEDS
- NITROMIDAZOLES - all agents, including DIMETRIDAZOLE, IPRONIDAZOLE, METRONIDAZOLE and others
- NITROFURANS - all agents, including FURAZOLIDONE, NITROFURAZONE and others


**GROUP II. Drugs with Restricted Extra-Label Uses in Food-Producing Animal Species**

- ADAMANTANE & NEURAMINIDASE INHIBITORS - extra-label use (ELDU) of these drugs is prohibited in poultry including chickens, turkeys and ducks in the United States. Although these drugs are not approved for use in animals in the United States, some of these drugs are used in other countries for the treatment or prevention of avian influenza in chickens, turkeys and ducks.
- CEPHALOSPORINS
  - ELDU of all cephalosporin antibiotics, except CEPHAIRIN, is restricted in the United States.
  - ELDU restrictions differ for Major vs. Minor Food Animal Species as noted below:
    1. Major Food Animal Species (Cattle, Pigs, Chickens and Turkeys): ELDU is permissible only for therapeutic indications that are not included on the product label. However, ELDU of cephalosporin antibiotics is prohibited in all of the following situations:
      - a) the intended use of the product deviates from the approved dose, treatment duration, frequency or administration route on the product label,
      - b) the intended use of a product in an unapproved major species or animal production class,
      - c) the intended use of the product for the purpose of disease prevention.
    2. Minor Food Animal Species (all species that are not major species): ELDU of cephalosporin antimicrobial agents is permitted in these species.
- GENTIAN VIOLET - use is prohibited in food or feed of all food-producing animal species (poultry)
- INDEXED DRUGS (see here): ELDU of these drugs is prohibited in all food-producing animals, with some exceptions for minor-use animal species that are not used as food for humans or other animals.
- PHENYLSALICINATES - all uses of this drug is prohibited in female dairy cattle greater than 20 months of age.
- SULFONAMIDE-CLASS ANTIBIOTICS
  - ELDU of all sulfonamides and potentiated sulfonamides is prohibited in adult lactating dairy cattle or dairy cattle greater than 20 months of age.
  - only labeled uses of approved sulfonamides are allowed.
  - ELDU of sulfonamides in milking sheep and goats is discouraged but not prohibited.

Now What?

- Watch for the **NEW** draft guidance for industry; Draft GFI #256
  - Intended to publish for public comment early 2018
  - Expected to publish as draft or final by December 2018
  - "FDA will carefully consider the issues that are specific to compounding of animal drugs, including the significance of using compounded drugs as a treatment option in various veterinary settings and animal species."

During the Regulatory Gap..



"..until this draft guidance is finalized, FDA intends to look at the totality of the circumstances when determining whether to take enforcement action for unlawful animal drug compounding activities."

During the Regulatory Gap..

- Comparison of the CPG and GFI indicate that FDA's primary concern regarding compounding with bulk drug substances are:
  1. Copies of FDA approved drugs
  2. Resale of office stock compounds
  3. Use of bulk drug substances to compound for food-producing animals

## During the Regulatory Gap..

*Maybe okay to consider compounding with bulk drug when:*

- a. Justification of medical necessity
  - a. no FDA approved product
  - b. FDA approved product is not suitable
  - c. Rationale for using bulk drug is documented
  - d. Bulk drug obtained from FDA registered facility
  - e. Compound in accordance to USP <795>, <797>
- b. When USP compounded preparation states that bulk powder is one of the ingredients
- c. Patient is not a food animal

## When **NOT** to compound for veterinary patients

- When commercially- available product exists and can be used appropriately
- Compounding solely to reduce cost (or copies of FDA approved products)
- Compounding for food-producing animals with prohibited drugs or bulk drugs
- With bulk drug not from FDA-Registered suppliers
- Beware of OFFICE USE.

## Available Position Statements

- American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) November, 2000)



- Society of Veterinary Hospital Pharmacists



## Veterinary Compounding Basics

- Avoid toxic dyes and colorings
  - Azo dyes toxic to birds, cats
- Avoid "toxic" or unsavory flavors
  - Chocolate or grape for dogs
  - Sweet or fruity flavors for cats
- Avoid toxic excipients
  - Xylitol-dogs, birds
- Consider size of the patient vs. size/volume of dose
- Consider species and feasibility of administering medications
- Problem solving to meet patient, veterinarian, client needs

## "Specialized Dosage Forms" for Veterinary Patients

- Transdermal Gels
- Medicated Polyox Bandages
- Medicated Pluronic Gel
- Medicated Chew Treats
- Medicated Gummy Worms



## Veterinary Compounding Resources:

When in Doubt...

- Code of Federal Regulations Title 21 Part 530: Extralabel Drug Use in Animals
- USP Standards for Veterinary Drugs
  - Compounding Monographs
  - Animal Drugs and Use in Animal Feeds
  - Manufactured Drugs and Drug Product Monographs
- USP <795> Pharmaceutical Compounding-Non-Sterile Preparations
- USP <797> Pharmaceutical

## Veterinary Compounding Training & Credentials

- **PCCA Veterinary Compounding Training Program**
  - Pre-requisite: Compounding Boot Camp
  - 10 Online Modules, 2-day Lab
- **American College of Veterinary Pharmacists**
  - Veterinary Compounding Essentials -15 hour program
  - ACVP Fellows
- **Society of Veterinary Hospital Pharmacists**
  - Not compounding specific
  - Fellows, Diplomates of the International College of Veterinary Pharmacists

## Veterinary Drug Resources

1. Plumb's Veterinary Drug Handbook
  - Available online, phone app
  - Yearly subscription
2. Saunderson's Handbook of Veterinary Drugs
  - Available in print
3. Merck Veterinary Manual
  - Available online
  - No subscription required

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## Effective Inspection for and Investigation of Medical Supply/Pain Cream Operations

Investigative Staff from the North and South Carolina Boards of Pharmacy

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- Megan "Chase" Kauffman Bissell: NCBOP Investigator/Inspector
- Loretta Wiesner: NCBOP Investigator/Field Training Coordinator



- Sheila Young, SCBOP Chairman of Non-Resident Application Review Committee
- Douglas Murray, SCBOP Inspector



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## Objectives

- Discuss how to identify pharmacies that may be engaged in illegitimate diabetic supply and pain cream operations when conducting an inspection or investigation.
- Develop and apply strategies for effectively investigating pharmacies suspected of engaging in illegitimate diabetic supply and pain cream operations.
- Develop and apply methods of overcoming frequently encountered obstacles, including interstate practices, when investigating pharmacies suspected of engaging in illegitimate diabetic supply and pain cream operations.

## Identify Pharmacies Engaged in Illegitimate Practices

- Inspect/Investigate:
  - Prescriptions
  - Products/Medications
  - Forms of Billing
  - Wholesale Invoices
  - Shipping Practices
  - Business Operations


## Discovery Through Inspection

- Physical Space vs Business Model
- Independent Retail Pharmacy New Ownership
- Pharmacist Manager and Person in Charge Inability to Explain Business Practices



### Methods of Identifying

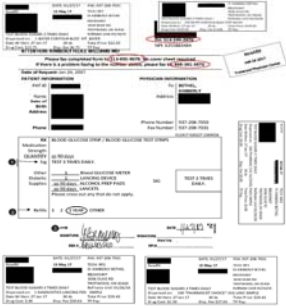
- Billing practices
  - Staff billing for multiple NDCs for one RX to see which has best profit
  - Tips from insurance companies
  - Calls from patients regarding unrequested orders




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### Warning Signs

- Multiple phone numbers
- Multiple fax numbers
- Phone and fax numbers different than what was on application
- Pharmacist in this instance did not know where faxes went (did not go to his pharmacy)







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### Warning Signs

Things just don't add up: stated this is a closed-door pharmacy


- In the middle of medical suites
- Has waiting room, drop off, and consult area







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### From 'Closed-Door' Pharmacy







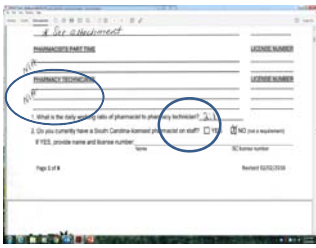
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### Identify Pharmacies Engaged in Illegitimate Practices

- Review Board of Pharmacy Permit Application Information
  - Key items to identify
  - Align with day-to-day operation?

### Warning Signs

Application Discrepancies





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### Strategies for Effectively Investigating

- Reach out to Insurance Companies, Medicaid, Medicare
- Confer with Other Boards of Pharmacy
- Discover Criminal Cases from State and Federal Agencies
- Additional Resources:  
Better Business Bureau, Yelp, & Yellow Pages Reviews

### Think outside the box!



### Investigative Strategies



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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Former Owner of Durable Medical  
Equipment Company Arrested in Health  
Care Fraud and Money Laundering  
Scheme

Diabetic Medical Equipment Companies to Pay  
More Than \$12 Million to Resolve False Claims Act  
Allegations

Owner of Durable Medical Equipment Company  
Pleads Guilty to Defrauding Medicaid of More Than \$9  
Million  
Defendant Used Money to Buy Real Estate, Luxury Car

40-43-83(E) The board may enter into agreements with other states or with third parties for the purpose of exchanging information concerning the permitting and inspection of entities located in this jurisdiction and those located outside this State.



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### Investigative Strategies: Effective Partnering!



Humana



Quarterly in-person meetings with fraud investigators with various organizations

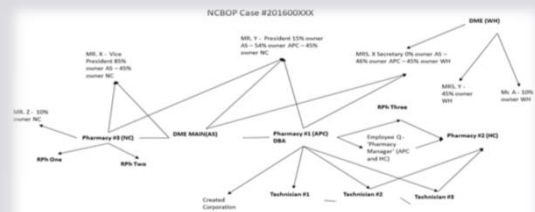


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### Overcoming Obstacles

- Compile the Investigative Findings, Permit Application, Complaints, Knowledge from other Criminal Investigations and State Actions
- The Volume of Information Gathered
- Off-site Billing
- Shell Companies and Multiple Corporate Entities



### Overcoming Obstacles

- Research on corporation and corporate owners
  - Google
  - Facebook
  - LinkedIn
  - CorporationWiki
- In person interview with PIC
- Requiring all pages of most recent inspection
- Information sharing among states
- Requiring specific photographs



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### Questions?

### Regulating the Practice of Medicine Based on "Standard of Care"

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### About the NC Medical Board

- Governed by the Medical Practice Act (MPA), Art. 1 of Chapter 90 of the N.C. Gen. Statutes.
- Regulates the practice of medicine and surgery in North Carolina **"for the benefit and protection of the people of North Carolina."**

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### About the NC Medical Board

Licensee Type	Population
MDs	35,898
DOs	2,272
RTLs	2,972
PAs	4,900
LPs	155
AAs	41

MD = Allopathic physician  
DO = Osteopathic physician  
RTL = Resident Training Licensee  
PA = Physician Assistant  
LP = Licensed Perfusionist  
AA = Anesthesiologist Assistant

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### About the NC Medical Board

- The NCMB consists of 13 members appointed by either the Governor or the Legislature.
  - 8 licensed physicians
  - 1 licensed physician assistant
  - 1 licensed nurse practitioner
  - 3 members of the public with no financial or professional interest in health care

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### About the NC Medical Board

- Licenses, disciplines, educates and when appropriate, rehabilitates licensees to assure their fitness and competence in the service of the public.
- NCMB meets monthly. It conduct disciplinary hearings in even months. In odd months, it conducts Board business, holds committee meetings, and interviews.

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### Disciplinary Authority


- The NCMB has authority to take disciplinary action, such as deny, suspend, or revoke a license, when an applicant/licensee commits certain acts in violation of the MPA. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a).

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## Disciplinary Authority

**Violations of the MPA:**

- Immoral or dishonorable conduct
- Making false statement to the NCMB
- Unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety due to alcohol or substance abuse, dependence and/or addiction
- Convictions of crimes involving moral turpitude
- False advertising
- Promotion or sale of goods or services in an exploitative manner
- Disciplinary actions taken by other state licensing boards




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## Disciplinary Authority

**Violations of the MPA:**

- Failure to complete continuing medical education
- Inappropriate prescribing
- Lack of professional competence to practice medicine or failure to maintain acceptable standards of care of one or more areas of practice.
- Unprofessional conduct



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**CASES OPENED BY PRIMARY ALLEGATION\***


Quality of care	615
Communication issue	423
Action by out of state agency/regulator	362
Prescribing issues	180
Medical records issue/alleged HIPAA violation	118
Policy/procedure within Dept. of Corrections/jail	98
Patient dismissed, abandoned or refused appointment	79
Alcohol/substance use	52
Misdemeanor or felony arrest/conviction	40
Professional sexual misconduct/boundary issue	35
Unprofessional conduct	30
Corporate practice of medicine issues	15
Misinformation/nondisclosure on license application/renewal	15

\* Table displays the most common allegations associated with Board cases opened during 2017. Allegations that resulted in fewer than 10 cases are not shown.

## Disciplinary Authority

Unprofessional conduct, includes, but is not limited to:


- ***Departure from, or failure to conform to, the standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice...*** (quality of care cases)
- Violating ethics of medical practice
- Committing acts contrary to honesty, justice, or good morals



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## Examples of Quality of Care Issues


- Failure to diagnose or misdiagnosis
- Misreading or ignoring laboratory results
- Improper medication or dosage
- Improper treatment
- Surgical errors or wrong site surgery
- Failure to or improper follow-up care



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## Examples of Quality of Care Issues

- Failure to obtain adequate patient history or conduct a physical exam
- Failure to order appropriate labs and screenings
- Documentation errors such as failure to document diagnoses or treatment therapies




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### What is the Standard of Care?


- What a reasonably prudent physician in NC would do under the same or similar circumstances.
- Depends on various circumstances, such as:
  - Area of practice, training and expertise
  - Patient history and diagnosis
  - Date of diagnosis or treatment



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### What is the Standard of Care?


- NCMB uses a statewide standard of care to execute its regulatory function. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14.6.
- It does not use the “community standard” which applies to medical malpractice cases. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-21.12.



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### No Requirement of Injury


- The standard of care can be violated even in the absence of patient injury or death.
- NCMB does not have to prove harm to patient to impose discipline



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### Regulatory Models


<b>Standard of Care Approach</b>	<b>Law or Rule Based Approach</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vague. Licensees determine how to practice based on profession</li> <li>• Broad enough to apply to every situation</li> <li>• Evolves with medical and technological advances</li> <li>• Various factors are taken into account</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Licensees' practice is dictated by a specifically prescribed rule or law</li> <li>• Limited to statutory or rule language</li> <li>• Modify through legislative or rulemaking processes</li> <li>• May not take into account various factors</li> </ul>



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### Regulatory Models

- It is impossible for the NCMB to set out by statute or rule how licensees should practice medicine.
  - Medicine is constantly evolving due to research, technological advances, treatment modalities, etc. and the legislative and rulemaking processes are too slow to stay current with the “prevailing medical practice”
  - Too many standards to make an exhaustive list
  - SOC language is intentionally broad so that certain acts not specifically outlined in a law or rule are still subject to disciplinary action




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### Disciplinary Process

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    A[Information received] --> B[Investigation]
    B --> C[Senior Staff Review]
    C --> D[Committee & Full Board]
            
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## Investigative Process

- **Step 1.** The NCMB will receive a complaint or information alleging substandard care.
- These come from a variety of sources:
  - Patients, family members, and other health care professionals.
  - Malpractice reports from insurance carriers
  - Hospitals reporting changes in staff privileges
  - Other federal or state agencies
- The licensee is notified of any complaint received.

## Investigative Process

- **Step 2.** NCMB requests licensee to respond and provide relevant medical records.
- **Step 3.** Matters involving quality of care are reviewed by the Office of the Medical Director (OMD). Forwarded to an independent expert reviewer for an assessment where specialty care is involved. OMD makes recommendation of disciplinary action based on independent reviewer's assessment.

## Independent Expert Review Requirement

- Before taking any action against a licensee for violating the standard of care, the NCMB is required to consult with a licensee, or **independent reviewer**, who routinely utilizes or is familiar with the same modalities and has an understanding of the standards of practice for the modality administered. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(g)
- Review cases to determine **whether diagnosis, treatment, and medical records meet the standard of care**. See the NCMB's [Expert Reviewer Manual](#).

## Quality of Care Case Manager

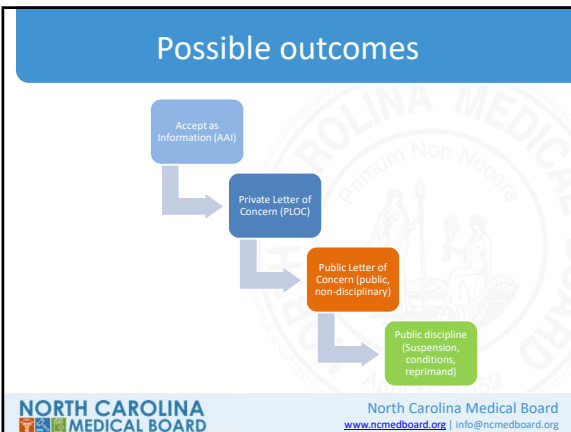
- New staff position at NCMB
- Not yet filled
- Requires experience in the private sector handling similar cases
- Must be a paralegal or attorney, prefer training and experience as a nurse
- Job is to **"shepherd"** all independent expert reviews

## Back to Investigative Process

- **Step 4.** OMD's recommendation is reviewed by in-house Legal Department and then Senior Staff Review Committee (SSRC).
- **Step 5.** The NCMB's Disciplinary Committee reviews SSRC recommendation.
- **Step 6.** The full Board reviews the Disciplinary Committee's recommendation. Determines whether to authorize staff to implement a particular disciplinary action.

## Testing Competence

- The Board may order the licensee to submit to an examination, written or oral, to determine their professional qualifications. Examples:
  - CPEP Competency assessments that evaluate clinical knowledge, skills and judgment as well as cognitive state.
  - SPEX (Special Purpose Exam) multiple choice examinations that test particular knowledge.
- Orders for examinations can be issued during the investigative process or be included as a condition in any disciplinary order.



- ### Possible Outcomes
- Public Actions can include:
    - Public letter of concern (non-disciplinary)
    - Reprimand
    - Fine
    - Probation
    - Suspension
    - Revocation
  - Public actions may be determined through a consent order or a public hearing. Most cases are settled by a consent order and do not result in a public hearing.
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### Investigative and Enforcement Data (2017)

#### ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY IN 2017

- 2,372 cases opened
- 2,391 cases closed
- 95 average # days to close a case

#### ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES BY TYPE

- 320 private letters (adverse letter of concern or private letter of concern)
- 156 public actions, adverse
- 25 public actions, non-adverse

#### CASES OPENED BY TYPE/SOURCE

- Complaint section: 1,345
- Review of out of state action: 362
- Field investigations section: 234
- Malpractice payment: 259
- License application: 60
- Safe Opioid Prescribing Initiative: 50
- Compliance case: 35
- Medical Examiner case: 11
- Administrative: 11
- Other: 5

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### Adverse Actions

Public letters of concern	47
Conditions on license/practice	26
Suspension	19
Reprimands	14
License surrenders	10
Limitations on license/practice	8
Amended consent order	5
License revocations	5
Non-practice agreement	3
License inactivated in lieu of other action	2
License denials	2
Summary suspensions	1
Annulments	1
<b>TOTAL ADVERSE</b>	<b>143</b>

### CAUSES OF ACTION

Quality of care	59
Prescribing issues	39
Alcohol/substance abuse	34
Action by out of state medical authority	25
Prescribing – CS	17
Sexual misconduct/boundary	13
Other unprofessional conduct	12
Modification of consent order	5
Conviction of felony	4
Med/physical condition	2
Medical records issues	2
Failure to cooperate with Board	2
False/deceptive representations	1

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## Toward Permissionless Innovation: Transitioning Pharmacy to “Standard of Care” Regulation

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## Learning Objectives

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  - Facility Standards

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Pharmacy Practice Act and Rules

Medical Practice Act and Rules

## External Market Forces

- Consumer acceptance and demand
- Payer policies
- Private accreditation and credentialing
- Facility policies (eg, risk mitigation)
- Liability insurance
- Civil / criminal law
- Professional ethics and self-restraint

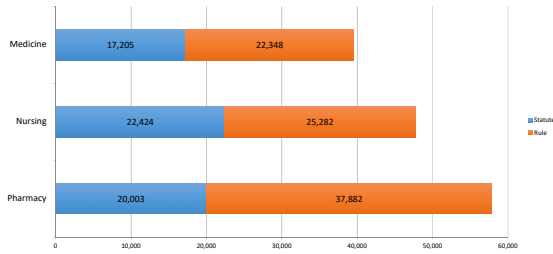
### Assessment Question 1

- The medical profession has specific state laws that delineate when sponges must be removed from the chest cavity following surgery.  
True or False?

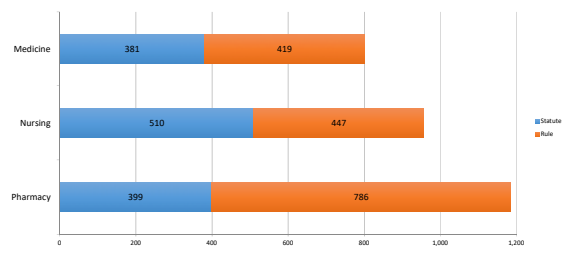
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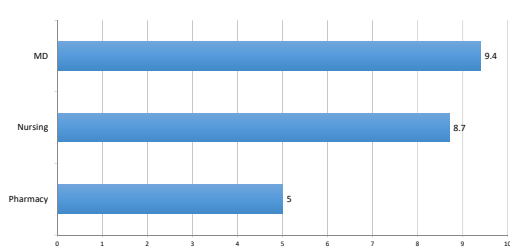
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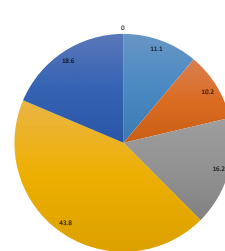
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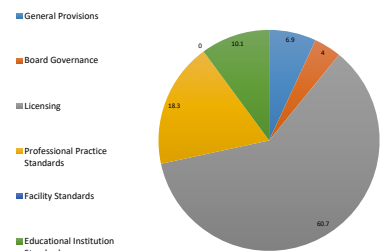
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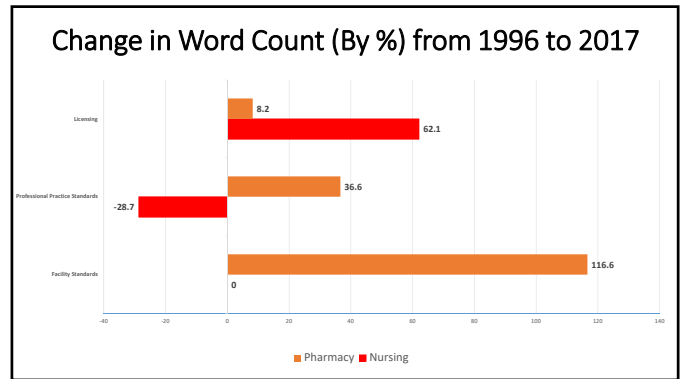
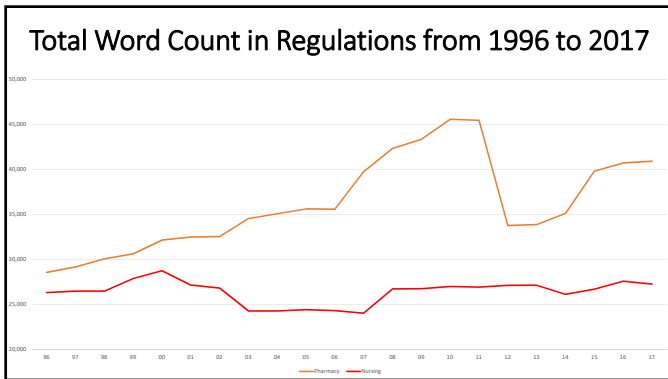


Pharmacy



Nursing





### Two Different Approaches

Nursing	Pharmacy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stopped defining every individual task that each category of nursing could perform</li> <li>Transitioned to a "standard of care" approach</li> <li>Provided a decision-making model to identify if something is within a nurse's scope</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added new tasks:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CPAs (388 words), vaccines (725), independent practice (130)</li> <li>Naloxone (312), epinephrine (896), tobacco cessation (267), TB skin testing (247)</li> <li>Technician delegation (1,184)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Added new facility types                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Telepharmacy (1,975 words)</li> <li>ADS (1,715)</li> <li>Centralized pharmacy services (682)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>"Addition by Subtraction"</b>	<b>"Compensated Addition"</b>

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- ### Professional Practice Standards
- General Approach (Rule 020)
- Express Prohibition** – is the act expressly prohibited by state or federal law?
  - Education and Training** – is the act consistent with the licensee's education, training, experience?
  - Standard of Care** – is the act within an accepted standard of care that would be provided by a reasonable and prudent licensee with similar education, training, experience.

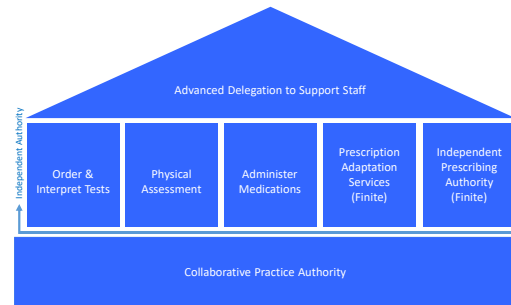




## Prescription Adaptation Services

- Renewals
  - Continuation of Therapy: 30 day supply 1 time in 6 month period
- Changes
  - Therapeutic Substitution
  - Dispensing Quantity
  - Medication Synchronization
  - Formulation / Route
  - Complete Missing Information

## Professional Practice Standards



## Advanced Delegation

- Supervision
  - The function is performed under a pharmacist's supervision
- Education, Skill and Experience
  - The function is commensurate with the education, skill, and experience of the technician or pharmacist intern
- Professional Judgment Restriction
  - Any function that requires the use of a pharmacist's professional judgment may be performed by a pharmacist intern

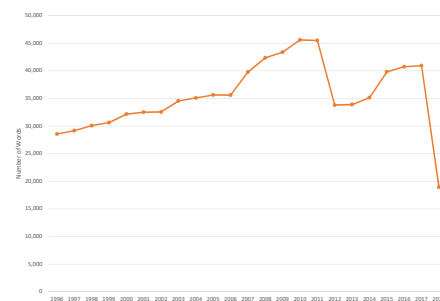
## Facility Standards

- Leverage existing accountability mechanisms: theft/loss, errors, adulteration, misbranding, etc.
- Minimum Filling Requirements
  - Valid Prescription Drug Order
  - Prospective Drug Review
  - Labeling
  - Verification of Dispensing Accuracy
  - Patient Counseling
- Select exclusions (e.g., institutional setting) and augmenters (e.g., no pharmacist on site)
- Ability to move any step "off site"

## Unprofessional Conduct

- The following acts or practices are declared to be unprofessional conduct and conduct contrary to the public interest:
- **"Standard of Care.** Providing health care services which fail to meet the standard provided by other qualified licensees or registrants in the same or similar setting."

## Growth in BOP Rule Word Count



### Assessment Question 2

1. Idaho law allows a pharmacist to perform:
  - a. Only those acts that are expressly stated in its state laws
  - b. Any act that is not expressly prohibited that is consistent with the education/training of the pharmacist and is consistent with a standard of care

### Success Factors

- Kept the focus on public safety
- Strategic planning meetings aligned the Board around direction and framework before getting into the weeds
- Empowered staff to draft new rules and did not wordsmith in public meetings
- Started aggressively – “kidney filtration model” of deregulation
- Put the burden of proof on those advocating to add back in a regulation

### Barriers to Reform


- General reticence
  - Fear of every conceivable “what if”; “bodies in the street”
  - Protectionist instincts masquerading as “safety” concerns
- Judging policy by your own personal interests
  - “I don’t want to do [x].”
  - “I wouldn’t trust my technicians to do [y].”
- Treating every issue as brand new and not learning from the experiences of other professions or jurisdictions

### Assessment Questions

1. The medical profession has specific state laws that delineate when sponges must be removed from the chest cavity following surgery.  
True or False?
2. Idaho law allows a pharmacist to perform :
  - a. Only those acts that are expressly stated in its state laws
  - b. Any act that is not expressly prohibited that is consistent with the education/training of the pharmacist and is consistent with a standard of care

### Thank You


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**Occupational Licensing Under Fire?**  
Federal and State Focus on License Necessity and Portability and the Role of NABP Programs

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**Learning Objectives**


- Identify state and federal legislative initiatives that could impact state boards of pharmacy and occupational licensing as a whole.
- Compare emerging license portability models among health care regulatory boards.
- Describe opportunities for the boards of pharmacy and NABP to enhance the existing Electronic Licensure Transfer Program® (e-LTP™) for pharmacists.



**Self Assessment Question 1**

California has the most occupational license types of any state in the nation. According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, as of 2017, they have:


- 77
- 177
- 217



**Self Assessment Question 2**


What policy group is pushing for temporary licensure compacts in state legislatures?

- National Governors Association
- National Association of Boards of Pharmacy
- Western Governors Association



**Self Assessment Question 3**

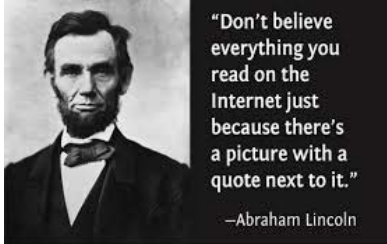
True or False: NABP has processed the transfer of more than 150,000 pharmacists' licenses over the past 10 years.



**Current Narrative on Occupational Licensing**

- Increase economic opportunity by reducing occupational licensing requirements
- Too many occupational licenses – 177 in California
- False equivalence – no differentiation between regulation of florists and pharmacists
- “Cartels”

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## Federal Activities

- United States Department of Labor Grant
  - Barriers to entry into the workforce
  - Military
  - Disenfranchised populations
  - Portability
- Federal Trade Commission
  - Economic Liberty Task Force
  - Roundtable discussions – license portability and data

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## Federal Activities

- *HR 3446: Restoring Board Immunity Act*
  - Introduced 9/6/2017
  - Incentivizes occupational licensing *regimes* to make necessary changes for active state supervision
- House Committee on Education and the Workforce Hearing
  - Hearing held on June 20, 2018
- HR 6515
  - Introduced 7/25/2018
  - Limits private antitrust damages against occupational licensing boards

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## State Activities

- Executive orders
  - Arkansas, Massachusetts, and Oklahoma
- Legislation to clarify state oversight
  - Legislation passed in 2018
    - Louisiana: HB 372
    - Nebraska: LB 299
    - Oklahoma: SB 1475 and HB 2311
- Western Governors Association – pushing interstate compacts for temporary licensure
  - Legislation introduced in Arizona, Missouri, New Hampshire, and South Dakota
    - 18-month temporary licensure with active license in good standing in another state
    - No state jurisprudence exam requirement (MPJE)
    - None of the bills passed in 2018 sessions

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## What Should Boards of Pharmacy Do?



## What Should Boards of Pharmacy Do?

- Active state supervision
  - Review of new and existing regulations with public health protection lens
    - Regulatory sunset and readoption processes
    - Legislative review process for new regulations
- Look for areas of friction in licensing processes – **before** you are told to do so
- Be prepared to give the complete and accurate picture of how pharmacy is regulated in your state

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### Nursing Licensure Compact (NLC) Enhanced NLC (eNLC)

- Established in 2000, enhanced in 2017
- ~30 states enacted
- In person/telehealth practice
- No additional state license issued beyond home state

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### Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

- Enacted in 2017
- 24 states and one territory
- State licenses issued
- Managed by a Commission

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### Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact

- 6 states enacted (needs 7 to become operational)
- Allows practice of telepsychology; or temporary licensure for in person practice while obtaining full licensure

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### e-LTP Today: By the Numbers

- NABP was founded to solve the reciprocity riddle
- Available in all 54 states/jurisdictions
- Processing time down to a single business day
- 164,500 pharmacists' licenses transferred over the last 10 years

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### Resolution at 114<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting: *Cooperative Interstate Registration System*

Tasks NABP with exploring the development of an interstate registration system "to provide for pharmacists' participation in interstate dispensing models while maintaining boards of pharmacy jurisdiction to initiate possible administrative proceedings to protect the public health."

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### Enhancing e-LTP

- Potential areas to explore:
  - Remote practice
  - Telepharmacy
  - Temporary licensure
- Exploration must account for:
  - State sovereignty and control
  - Mitigate financial impacts on states

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### What's Next?

- Task Force on Mutual Recognition of Licensure: September 11-12, 2018

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### Is Occupational Licensing Under Fire?

- Yes, but boards should:
  - Keep calm
  - Be prepared
  - Practice smart regulation

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True

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## Licensure Compacts as a Means of Facilitating Interstate Portability: The Physical Therapy Experience

National Association of Boards of Pharmacy - District III Meeting  
August 13, 2018



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## Physical Therapy Compact

Increasing Consumer Access, Interstate Mobility, and Cross-State Practice



### Objectives

- ▶ Provide an overview of the development Physical Therapy Licensure Compact (PTLC) as an enhancement of public protection
- ▶ Describe the purpose of the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact (PTLC)
- ▶ Identify the benefits of the PTLC to primary stakeholders
- ▶ NC Implementation of the PTLC - Discuss implementation challenges and successes




### Acknowledgment and Disclaimer




### Physical Therapy Licensure Compact - Purpose

- ▶ Facilitate interstate practice of physical therapy with the goal of improving public access to physical therapy services



### Is the Portability of Healthcare Workers a regulatory/public protection issue?

1. Purpose statement of the compact
2. The FSBPT membership  Yes
3. The Federal Government  Yes
4. Public policy groups and private entities  Yes
5. Other regulatory professions  Yes
6. Other countries  Yes



### Identified Ways the Compact will Potentially Increase Access


- ▶ Consumers living near state borders and underserved areas
- ▶ Utilization of telehealth technologies
- ▶ Access to Specialists
- ▶ Cross Board delivery models - Medical Homes, Accountable Care Organizations
- ▶ Traveling therapists
- ▶ Traveling groups: Teams and Performers
- ▶ Disasters
- ▶ Military spouses



### Other options to achieve the same objectives?

FSBPT


- ▶ 2012 Licensure Portability paper
  - ▶ Credentials verification
  - ▶ Review and evaluate licensure requirements/exemptions
  - ▶ Alternative models such as limited reciprocity agreements
  - ▶ Limited Compacts
- ▶ Licensure Portability Resource Guide - 2013 (in addition to above jurisdictions should:.)
  - ▶ Furnish and allow electronic licensure verifications




### Other options to achieve the same objectives? (cont.)

FSBPT

- ▶ Licensure Portability Resource Guide - 2013 (in addition to the previous slide) Jurisdictions should:
  - ▶ Furnish and allow electronic licensure verifications
  - ▶ Change any state practice act language with specific exam score requirements to more general language
  - ▶ Fully participate in the Exam, Licensure, Disciplinary Database
  - ▶ Utilize the national continuing competence requirement tracker
  - ▶ Utilize ProCert approved courses to increase uniform standards for CE
  - ▶ Support a Common Licensure Application Service and credential verification service




### Physical Therapy Licensure Compact - Purpose



- Practice of physical therapy**
  - Occurs in state where patient is located
  - Follows the scope of practice of state where patient is located
- Preserves**
  - State's regulatory authority to protect public health & safety through current system of state licensure
- Supports**
  - Spouses of relocated military members
- Enhances**
  - Exchange of licensure, investigatory, and disciplinary information between member states


### Compact Benefits for the Public

- ▶ Improve continuity of care
- ▶ Improve portability for military spouses
- ▶ Improve access to physical therapy providers
- ▶ Increase choice of physical therapy providers
- ▶ Eye to the future
  - ▶ New health care delivery models
  - ▶ International access to care
  - ▶ Alternate physical therapy delivery methods...Telehealth?



### Compact Benefits for Jurisdictions

- ▶ Preserves the current state-based licensure system
- ▶ Full participation in the Exam, Licensure, and Disciplinary Database (ELDD)
- ▶ Requires criminal background checks for applicants for initial licensure
- ▶ Requires continuing competence
- ▶ Allows sharing of investigatory information
- ▶ Demonstrates PT regulators responsiveness to issues
  - ▶ E.g.: portability



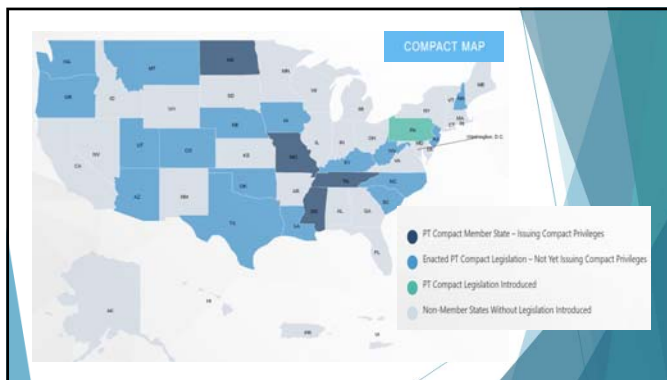
## Steps in Compact Development

- ▶ 2010
  - ▶ Motion to Explore a Compact
- ▶ 2011
  - ▶ Request a Study
- ▶ 2012
  - ▶ Report
  - ▶ Motion to Recommend Tools
- ▶ 2013
  - ▶ Resource Guide
  - ▶ Motion to Support Compact
- ▶ 2014
  - ▶ Advisory Task Force Recommends Development of a Compact



## Steps in Compact Development (cont.)

- ▶ 2015 - 2017
  - ▶ Compact Drafting Team
- ▶ 2017
  - ▶ March, 2017 - Oregon - first state to adopt the PT Compact
  - ▶ April 25, 2017 - 10<sup>th</sup> State adopts Compact - Compact Officially enacted
  - ▶ June 14, 2017 - PTLC holds first Commission Meeting; elects Officers
  - ▶ July - October, 2017 Rules and Bylaw Drafted, Exec Board Meeting, Administrative Entity created and staff hired
  - ▶ November 5, 2017 - First Annual meeting of the Compact Commission
- ▶ 2018
  - ▶ First Compact Privileges Issued



## Key Provisions of PT Compact

- ▶ Compact Privilege - Different than a license. Compact Privilege is purchased for each desired state.
- ▶ Eligibility Requirements - Licensees must meet and maintain all requirements to obtain and keep Compact Privileges.
- ▶ Home State - defined as the licensee's primary state of residence. Licensee must have active license in his/her home state. Home state's requirements and disciplinary authority unchanged for licensee.



## Key Provisions of PT Compact cont.

- ▶ Remote State - Remote states have authority to take action against a Compact Privilege.
- ▶ Disciplinary Actions - All adverse actions and disciplinary actions will be reported regularly to Commission and shared with member states including availability of investigatory information.
- ▶ Continuing Competence Required (for those states that did not previously require it)
- ▶ FBI Criminal Background Checks Required on initial licensure decisions



## Lessons from North Carolina - Legislative Process

- ▶ Would this enhance the public protection mission of the NCBPTE?
- ▶ Is the state chapter of the national PT association in agreement with the concept?
- ▶ Advocacy team
  - ▶ State Association
  - ▶ State Association Lobbyist
  - ▶ Information provided by NCBPTE - it's a regulatory bill
- ▶ Bill sponsors
- ▶ Provide Information as requested by legislators and Legislative Research division

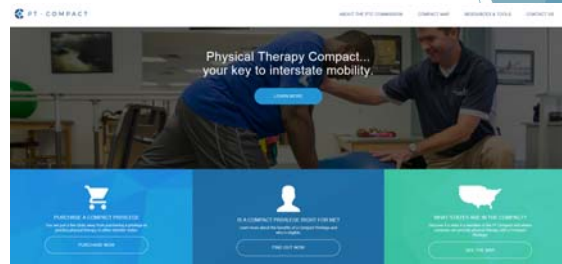


## Lessons from North Carolina - Implementation

- ▶ Criminal Background Checks
- ▶ Unique Identifier
- ▶ Data sharing with the Commission
- ▶ Public Protection via Privilege Holder "look up" in NCBPTE database
- ▶ Are Rules other than Compact Rules needed?
- ▶ Jurisprudence Exercise for privilege holders



## PTCompact.org Informational Site



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The Opioid Crisis in the United States: How bad science and a great marketing campaign got us into this mess.

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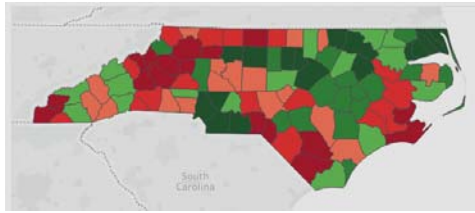
Number of deaths in the last 10 years from opioids.

More than 4 times the number of American deaths in the Vietnam War<sup>2</sup>

This is an epidemic. And providers are the vector!




OPIOID PRESCRIBING RATES  
BY COUNTY IN NORTH CAROLINA<sup>2</sup>



Confession

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### Goals

- 1) Describe the impact of the opioid crisis.
- 2) Describe the (bad) science behind the way providers have prescribed opioids.
- 3) Describe what providers are/should be doing now.
- 4) How you can help.



### Opioid Facts

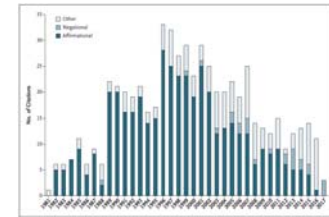
The U.S. accounts for 4% of the world's population. We consume 80% of the world's opioids.

83% of the world's population has no access to any opioids.<sup>9</sup>

95% of the Vicodin is dispensed in the USA.<sup>120</sup>



### NEJM Letter Misrepresented Risk of Opioid Addiction Has Been Heavily Cited



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### Porter and Jick Article

Heavily cited by pain specialists, nurses, and pharmaceutical representatives, using the letter to support the statistic that "less than 1% of opioid users become addicted to the drugs."<sup>123</sup>

72% use as evidence of lack of addiction.

80% fail to note that this was inpatient use and misrepresent findings.<sup>121</sup>

Sharp uptick after Oxycontin in 1995.

*"This one-paragraph letter may have launched the opioid epidemic."*

*by Harrison Jacobs, Business Insider, May 26, 2016*

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### Portenoy Article

"In 1996, the American Pain Society and the American Academy of Pain Management issued a 'landmark consensus,' written in part by Portenoy, saying that there is little risk of addiction or overdose in pain patients." Harrison Jacobs, Business Insider, May 26, 2016

Portenoy later admitted to using the Porter and Jick letter to encourage more liberal prescribing of opioids: "None of [the papers] represented real evidence, and yet what I was trying to do was to create a narrative . . . because the primary goal was to destigmatize [opioids], we often left evidence behind."

—Dr. Russell Portenoy in *Opioids for Chronic Pain: Addiction is NOT Rare*

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### Pain is the Fifth Vital Sign

In 1996 the American Pain Society trademarked "Pain as the 5<sup>th</sup> Vital Sign" — implying that practitioners were bad at both recognizing and treating pain.

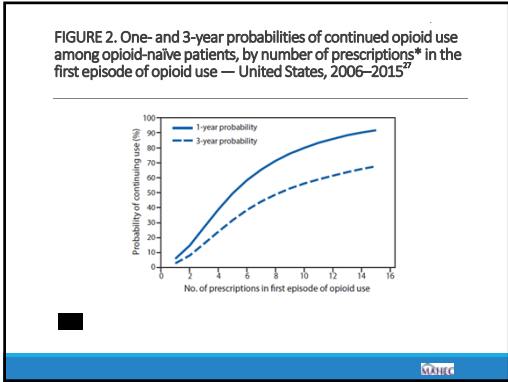
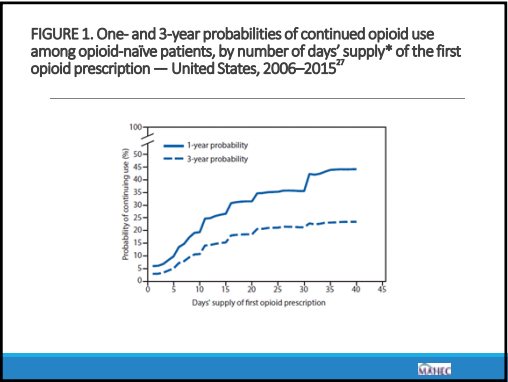
2001 — JCAHO issues new standards telling hospitals to regularly ask about pain and make treating it a priority.

2001 — JCAHO published guide sponsored by Purdue Pharma: some clinicians have inaccurate and exaggerated concerns about addiction, tolerance, and risk of death, stating that this attitude stands even though there is no evidence that opioids for pain control increase risk for addiction.<sup>125</sup>





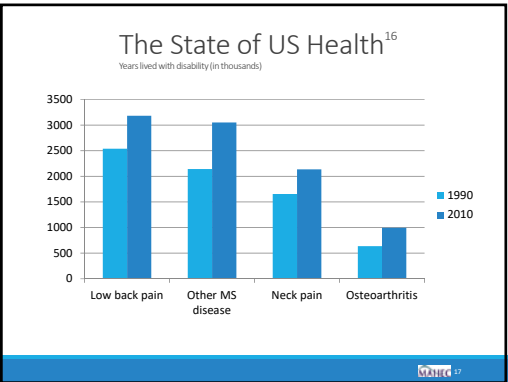
## Characteristics of Initial Prescription Episodes and Likelihood of Long-Term Opioid Use — United States, 2006–2015<sup>27</sup>



## What We Know (and Don't Know)

- Everything that we know has been programmed by the pharmaceutical industry... (my opinion)
- Science rarely guides our current treatment of pain. (Fact)

The Center for Public Integrity:  
<https://www.publicintegrity.org/2016/09/18/20200/politics-pain-drugmakers-fought-state-opioid-limits-amid-crisis>

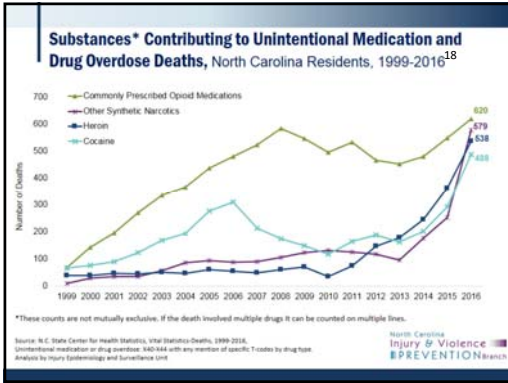


## Efficacy of Opioids for Chronic Pain<sup>43</sup>

Annals of Internal Medicine

Martell et al. (2007): Systemic Review: Opioid treatment for chronic back pain: prevalence efficacy and association with addiction

- 4 studies indicated that opioids did not show reduced chronic back pain when compared with placebo or non-opioid control
- Prevalence of life time substance use disorders ranged from 36% to 56%
- Prevalence of current substance use disorders were estimated to be as high as 43%




### Opioid Receptors

Enable us to achieve a goal (short term).<sup>23,24</sup>

- Decrease pain
- Increase motivation
- Increase confidence
- Increase reward
- Reduce depression and anxiety
- Increase pleasure in current activity
- Increase "warmth-liking"<sup>29</sup>
  - Liking warm things
  - Love
  - Interpersonal bonding



### Safe Opioid Prescribing



### NC STOP Act


Went into effect January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

If you prescribe opioids for acute pain, initial prescription must be 5 days or less

For post-op pain, 7 days or less

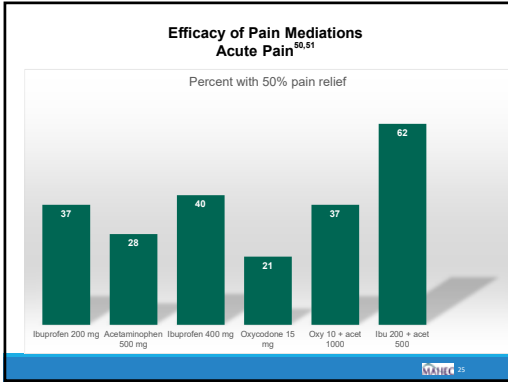
Must look patient up in the NC CSRS and document in your chart that you did look them up (**Delayed**)

### CDC Guideline for Chronic Pain



In general, **DO NOT** prescribe opioids as the first-line treatment for chronic pain

- 1) Assess pain and function
- 2) Consider if non-opioid therapies are appropriate
- 3) Talk to patients about treatment plan
- 4) Evaluate risk of harm or misuse



### Oral Opioid vs. Non-opioid Analgesics in ED

Chang et al. (2017)

- Randomized control trial in the emergency department for patients with acute strains, sprains, and fractures
- Tylenol 1000 mg and ibuprofen 400 mg were found to be equivalent to opioids at treating acute pain<sup>52</sup>

2005 Cochrane Review

- NSAID medications and opioids have equal effectiveness in treatment of acute renal colic...
- But opioids have **more** side effects.<sup>53</sup>

### Post-Op Pain Studies

- UNC – CH hand surgeon<sup>55</sup>
- Dartmouth Study<sup>56</sup>
- Enhanced recovery after surgery (ERAS): Lower MME, more ambulation, fewer complications, better satisfaction
- Opioids increase the risk of post-op wound infections<sup>57</sup>
- Increase falls
  - Geriatrics<sup>58</sup>
  - Pediatrics<sup>59</sup>
- The longer one is on opioids the greater the risk of being on permanent disability<sup>60</sup>

### What should you do with unused opioids?

1. **LOCK** them up
2. Take them to a permanent disposal (**DROP** box)
  - radrugdropbox.org to find locations
3. Add **COFFEE GROUNDS** and water to a pill bottle and then throw it away
4. If you are unable to do any of these things, **FLUSH** them

**LOCK OR DROP OR COFFEE OR LATESTLY FLUSH GROUNDS**

### Why MAT

- The use of the opioid agonists methadone and buprenorphine reduces:
  - Overdose<sup>116</sup>
  - Illicit drug use<sup>117</sup>
  - Transmission of infectious diseases<sup>117</sup>
- Every \$1 invested in returns a yield of \$4 - \$7 in reducing drug-related crimes, criminal justice, and theft<sup>118</sup>
- Those receiving treatment are 75% less likely to die due to their addiction than those not receiving medication<sup>119</sup>
- Treatment is less expensive than alternatives
  - Full year of methadone = \$4,700 per person on average
  - Full year of imprisonment = \$18,400 per person on average

### Summary: So I hope you can

- 1) Describe the impact of the opioid crisis
- 2) Describe the (bad) science behind the way providers have prescribed opioids
- 3) Describe what providers are/should be doing now
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## NCBOP Opioid Crisis Outreach Efforts



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## Opioid Public Service Announcement Campaign

- Beginning February 8, 2018, the Board of Pharmacy opened an opioid public service announcement campaign on Wilmington and Greenville-area television stations and on social media platforms.
- PSAs feature Joe Adams, a pharmacist and past president of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy, sharing his deeply personal story of losing his son to an opioid overdose in 2014. These ads emphasize the important of obtaining help and the critical role pharmacists can play.

## Opioid Public Service Announcement Campaign

- The ads come in 30-second, 60-second, and 6-minute versions, and are available for download on the Board website.
- Board members and staff welcome and encourage pharmacists using these ads to educate their patients and communities about proper medication use and the dangers of opioid abuse.



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### Objectives

- Explore the need for and delivery of interprofessional summits to discuss and educate on drug abuse issues facing our communities.

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## Background

- Drug overdose is now the leading cause of injury death in the United States.
- Opioid analgesics, such as **prescription painkillers**, account for about 80 percent of those deaths.
- Overdose rates have increased five-fold since 1990.

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## More Videos

Governor Hutchinson PSA

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/5gy94wnad4k27gb/180326\\_Drug%20Take%20Back%20PSA%20v5.mp4?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/5gy94wnad4k27gb/180326_Drug%20Take%20Back%20PSA%20v5.mp4?dl=0)

Jonesboro Out of the Dark!

<https://youtu.be/rsZ3psDPWe8>

Let's Talk Jonesboro Interview

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxJfBkH\\_sxo&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxJfBkH_sxo&feature=youtu.be)

US Surgeon General

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W9Ndw8AsgMs&feature=youtu.be>

Columbus Police

<https://www.10tv.com/article/body-cam-footage-shows-columbus-police-officer-receiving-narcan-during-drug-arrest>

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### ...Our Economy

**\$78.5 billion**  
 Cost of prescription opioid dependence, abuse, and overdose in the United States in 2013

**25%**  
 Percentage of worker's compensation prescription drug claims that were for opioids in 2011

### Question

- What is the value of prescription opioids (hydrocodone, oxycodone) on the street?
  - Penny per mg
  - Dime per mg
  - Quarter per mg
  - Dollar per mg

### What you do not know can kill you!

#### Do The Math

**One kilogram** = 1,000,000 milligrams X \$10 each = **\$10,000,000**  
**One ounce** = 28,349.5 milligrams X \$10 each = **\$283,495**  
**One gram** = 1,000 milligrams X \$10 each = **\$10,000**

The initial investment of 1 kilogram of Fentanyl (analog) cost \$1,700 to \$3,500 each

### AMA Sees Progress in Declining Opioid Prescriptions, Urges Continued Focus on Evidence-Based Treatment

“A 22-percent decrease in opioid prescriptions nationally between 2013 and 2017 reflects the fact that physicians and other health care professionals are increasingly judicious when prescribing opioids. It is notable that every state has experienced a decrease, but this is tempered by the fact that deaths related to heroin and illicit fentanyl are increasing at a staggering rate, and deaths related to prescription opioids also continue to rise...”

- Patrice A. Harris, MD, MA, chair of the AMA Opioid Task Force

### U.S. State Opioid Prescribing Rates 2016 per 100 People

Alabama	121	Illinois	56.8	Montana	69.8	Rhode Island	60.3
Alaska	58.9	Indiana	83.9	Nebraska	62.8	South Carolina	89.4
Arizona	70.2	Iowa	64	Nevada	80.7	South Dakota	54.8
Arkansas	114.6	Kansas	76.9	New Hampshire	64.3	Tennessee	107.5
California	44.8	Kentucky	97.2	New Jersey	52.6	Texas	57.6
Colorado	59.8	Louisiana	98.1	New Mexico	65.1	Utah	70.4
Connecticut	55.9	Maine	66.9	New York	42.7	Vermont	58.6
Delaware	79.2	Maryland	58.7	North Carolina	82.5	Virginia	63.4
District of Columbia	32.5	Massachusetts	47.1	North Dakota	47.8	Washington	64.9
Florida	66.6	Michigan	84.9	Ohio	75.3	West Virginia	96
Georgia	77.8	Minnesota	46.9	Oklahoma	97.9	Wisconsin	62.2
Hawaii	41.9	Mississippi	105.6	Oregon	76.3	Wyoming	71.1
Idaho	77.6	Missouri	80.4	Pennsylvania	69.5		

80% of opioids consumed in US

**AMERICANS CONSUME ALMOST ALL OF THE GLOBAL OPIOID SUPPLY - CNBC.com**  
 www.cnbc.com - Americans consume almost all of the global opioid supply from ...  
 Apr 27, 2016 - Americans consume vast majority of the world's opioids. Americans are in more pain than any other population around the world. At least, that's the conclusion that can be drawn from one startling number from recent years. Approximately 80 percent of the global opioid supply is consumed in the United States.

**US: 5% of World Population, 80% of Opioid Consumption - AllGov**  
 www.allgov.com - 5% of world population, 80% percent of opioid consumption ...  
 Oct 16, 2014 - U.S., 5% of World Population, 80% of Opioid Consumption. Studies have shown that the United States, with less than 5% of the world population, uses 80% of the global supply of opioid drugs. A new report has put that use in perspective, pinpointing how American dependence on the drugs has become a national problem.

**99% The American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians (ASIPP) Fact...**  
 https://www.asipp.org/documents/ASIPP%20fact%20sheet101111.pdf ...  
 The number one cause of death in U.S. states is prescription drug abuse ... Americans, constituting only 4.5% of the world's population, have been consuming 80% of the global opioid supply, and 90% of the global hydrocodone supply.

**Americans Take 80% of World's Opioid Supply - VOA Learning English**  
 www.voanews.com/news/usa-america-takes-80-percent-of-worlds-opioid-supply-1324424983.html ...  
 Mar 19, 2015 - The United States has 4.5 percent of the world's population. But a report says Americans consume 80 percent of the world's opioid supply.

**America Consumes 80% Of The World's Opioids ... - The Daily Caller**  
 www.dailycaller.com - America consumes 80% of the world's hydrocodone and other opioids ...  
 Oct 13, 2016 - "The startling fact that U.S. citizens consume approximately 80% of the global opioid supply means that it's probably time doctors and other ...

**Why Do Americans Consume 80 Percent Of All Prescription Painkillers ...**  
 www.painmanagementjournal.com - Why do Americans consume 80 percent of all prescription painkillers ...  
 Mar 19, 2015 - In the United States today, approximately 4.7 million Americans are addicted to ... If Americans are so happy, then why do we consume 80 percent of the ... Opioids, a type of powerful painkiller that requires a prescription, were ...

**PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE IN COLLEGE**  
 1 in 4  
 90%  
 54%  
 90%  
 3x  
 8x  
 5x

## What Else are We Doing?

ARKANSAS TAKE BACK

Monitor | Secure | Dispose

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Locate a Collection Site Near You

Arkansas Take Back has over 100 collection sites around the state, chances are there is one close to you

Find a Site

[www.artakeback.org](http://www.artakeback.org)

- Updated Website with New Info

Resources/News  
 Make sure you check out the resources section of our website for helpful and educational information about the growing problem in our state.

FAQ's  
 Our FAQ section of the website has answers to common questions you may have. Keep checking back, we update them regularly!

Myths & Facts  
 What are some of the common misconceptions? Find out the facts here.

Partners  
 Businesses and Organizations that have partnered with us on this initiative.

Helpful Links  
 Helpful links to other websites and information. Keep checking back, we are adding more links on a regular basis.

Media & Videos  
 Commercials, PSAs, and more about the Take Back can be found here.

Latest from the ARTake back

Take-Back this Saturday  
 2013, from 10 AM until 2 PM.

We have a problem in Arkansas  
 Our teenagers are dying from recreational prescription drug.

## Monitor, Secure and Dispose

### Patients should

- Know what they are taking and how much they have
- Secure their prescription medications
- Properly dispose of prescription drugs

- [www.smarxtdisposal.net](http://www.smarxtdisposal.net)
- [www.ioit2me.com](http://www.ioit2me.com)
- [www.artakeback.org](http://www.artakeback.org)

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## COLLECTION SITES

Search for Drop Off Locations

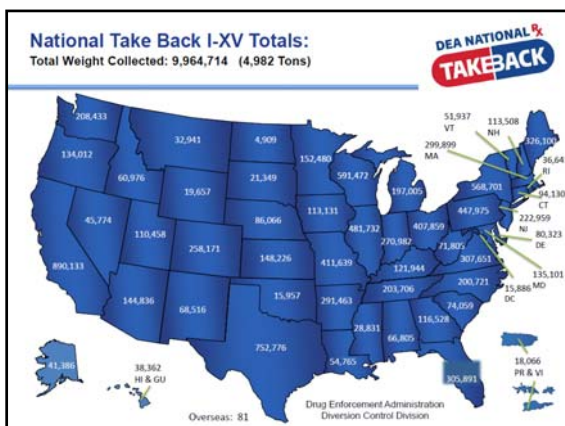
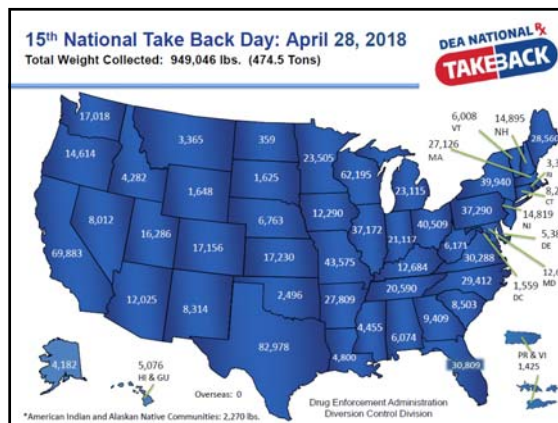
You can search for drop off locations by name, or by zipcode and distance. Permanent sites are in RED, and event sites are in BLUE.

Collection Site Name Search By Zipcode Choose Distance 15 Miles 50 Miles

Map showing collection sites (red and blue pins) across Arkansas.



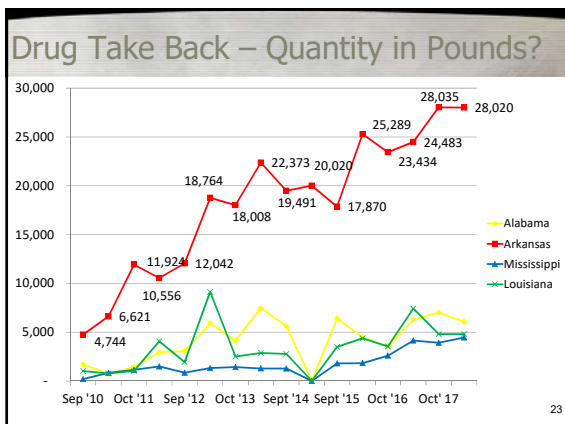




Take BACK

October 2017 Take BACK  
**28,035 Pounds**  
 APRIL 2018 Take BACK  
**28,020 Pounds**

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**What is Next? Labels Save Lives**

**artakeback.org**  
 PROTECT OUR CHILDREN.  
 DISPOSE OF YOUR MEDS SAFELY.

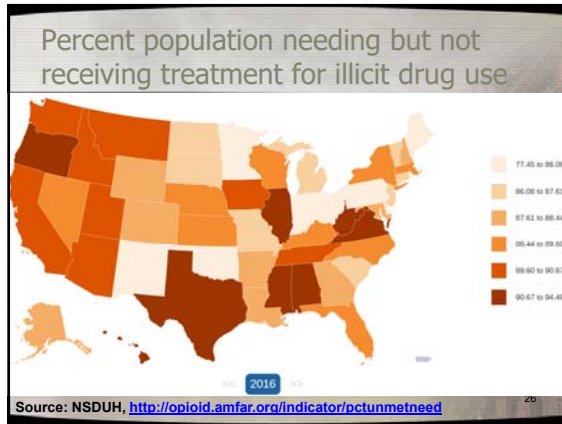
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 Drug Takeback Day

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## → Prescription Drug Summit

- Medication Assisted Treatment
- Re-education of prescribers
- Opioid guidelines
- Opioid limitations
- Review of published studies
- Drug Takeback Initiatives

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### Tiger Woods case underscores role of drugs in driver impairment

By Susan Parry | 05/31/17

Tiger Woods appears in a booking photo released to Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office on Monday.

The arrest of the 42-year-old golf great Tiger Woods near his Florida home on Monday for driving under the influence underscores the growing role that drugs — prescription and otherwise — are playing in motor vehicle crashes.

According to media reports, Woods was arrested after police officers found him sleeping in his car with the engine running. His speech was slurred, and he failed roadside sobriety tests. Yet he registered zero on a breathalyzer test, indicating he hadn't been drinking alcohol.

Instead, as a source Woods explained in a statement released to the press later that evening, his behavior had been caused by prescription medications.

"I want the public to know that alcohol was not involved," he said in the statement. "What happened was an unexpected reaction to prescribed medications. I didn't realize the mix of medications had affected me so severely."

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Where is the blame for their continued addiction? Certainly not because of lack of effort on their part. Addicted for years they have tried one after another of the various and diverse treatments and so-called "cures" without success or ultimate relief. Is the blame theirs for lack of success and cure, or has there been something wrong in our treatment and handling of them? Did we know enough about addiction-disease to treat them intelligently and to exercise upon their cases the same professional skill and technical ability that we have been educated and trained to apply to other diseases? In the light of available clinical information and study and in the light of competent laboratory research we are forced as a profession to admit that we have not treated our addiction sufferers with sympathetic understanding and clinical competency and that the blame for the past failure to control the narcotic drug problem rests largely upon the educational inadequacy of our medical profession, and institutions of scientific and public health education.

"There is urgent need for widespread and early education of the medical profession, legislators, administrative authorities and laity into the facts of addiction-disease. Until narcotic addiction is widely appreciated and taught as a definite disease, and facilities are provided for clinical demonstration and instruction and for laboratory experimentation, we cannot hope for intelligent handling of the narcotic addict, nor for solution of the national drug problem."

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## Ghost of Drug Use Past

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**NARCOTIC DRUG ADDICTION: A PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM.**

**ERNEST S. BISHOP, M. D., F. A. C. P.**  
Clinical Professor of Medicine, New York Polyclinic Medical School and Hospital, etc., etc., New York City.

Read before Public Health Administration Section, American Public Health Association, at Chicago, Ill., December 11, 1918.

### Myths About Pain

- Pain medications are addictive and should not be used unless necessary.
- Severe or chronic pain cannot be well managed.
- Strong pain medications must be saved for a last resort.
- Pain is a result of something I did wrong.
- "Good" patients don't report their pain.
- Although pain causes discomfort, it is not harmful.

### Treating Your Pain

Your report of pain is the single most accurate indicator that you are having pain. We will accept your report of pain and act quickly.

Most pain can be managed well. To know how best to treat you we will ask about your pain: how long it's been there, how long you have been having it, and what makes it better or worse.

### Answers to your questions

**What are the side effects of pain medication?**

All medications have side effects. Side effects may include constipation, nausea, vomiting, itching, dizziness, drowsiness, blood pressure, decreased respiratory, hallucinations, confusion, strange dreams or events, or drowsiness. Please inform your doctor of these symptoms or any other concerns.

**Does this mean all my pain will be gone?**

Although most pain can be well managed, it often cannot be removed completely. Our goal is to help you to be as comfortable as possible, especially when resting and doing things you need to do to get better.

**Are pain medications bad for me or addictive?**

No. Studies show that an addiction is unlikely. This is especially true if you have never had an addiction.

**Will pain medication work if I take it after a long time?**

After a while the body gets used to medication. This is called tolerance. Over time, you may need more medicine or a different kind of medicine to control your pain. It is also possible that the condition causing your pain may be getting worse.

**What if I have more questions?**

Please don't hesitate to ask your nurse or doctor.

## Programming

- Whole Group Plenary Presentations
- Break-out Tracks
  - Clinical Track
    - CE for Pharmacists, Prescribers, Nurses...
  - Criminal Justice Track
    - Law enforcement only at times
  - Education/Prevention Track
  - Counseling/Recovery Track

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8:30-9:30 a.m. Exhibit Hall C & D	Opening Remarks Hot Springs Mayor Pat McCabe Keynote: Jimmy McGill® Recovery Coordinator and House Manager for the Governor	9:30-9:45 a.m.	BREAK	9:45-11:45 a.m.	Breakout Track Session 1 Clinical Track "On Progress for prescribers" Tanya Robertson, Pharm D, BOPS Supt. Health Physician Partners State Drug Director Kirk Lane John Kelley, Pharm D, Executive Director, Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy	11:45 a.m. - noon	LUNCH	11:45 a.m. - noon	Exhibit Hall C & D	1:15-2:15 p.m.	Breakout Track Session 2 Clinical Track "Medically Assisted Treatment"	2:15-2:30 p.m.	BREAK	2:30-3:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall C & D	3:30-3:45 p.m.	BREAK	3:45-4:45 p.m.	Exhibit Hall C & D	4:45-5:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks
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## What does it take?

- Partnerships – Who is available and interested
- Audience – Who is targeted for attendance
- Expertise
- Money

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## Partnerships

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SUMMIT PARTNERS

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## Partnerships

- State Drug Director or Senior Drug Policy Person from Governor
- Board of Pharmacy and Other Health Licensure Boards
- Criminal Justice Institute
- Attorney General's Office

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## Audience

- Healthcare Professionals
  - Pharmacy folks are the largest group
  - Nursing licensees are second
  - Doctors very small turnout
- Law Enforcement Officers
- Social Workers / Counselors
- Prevention
- What about Attorneys, Judges, Elected Officials

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## Expertise

- Local Efforts and National Trends/Issues
- SAMHSA – MAT the Right Way
  - ARImpact – CE for Health professionals delivered Wednesdays at lunch via web
- State Grants for Naloxone and Training
- “Parent Panel”
  - Stories of Hope from Tragedy

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## Money

- \$5,000 each from Pharmacy Board, Medical Board and Nursing Board
- \$1,000 from NABP Foundation
- \$4k-10k Prevention Money from Dept of Health and State Drug Director’s Office
- Attorney General’s Office picking up the tab
- Total could be up to \$70,000 but all depends on costs and quantities

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## Costs

- Speaker Travel and possible honoraria
  - Local Expertise is generally free!
- Location ?
- Program Printing and Supplies
- **FOOD IS THE MOST EXPENSIVE PART**
  - Food Truck Festival for the day would be my idea but you either feed folks with a keynote lunch or send them out hoping to get them back

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## ARKANSAS PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION SUMMIT 2018



- Please plan to attend the **2018 Arkansas Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention Summit on November 1, 2018** at the Hot Springs Convention Center.
- We will offer four breakout tracks: **Clinical**, Criminal Justice, Education/Prevention and Counseling/Recovery.
- Early bird registration is open! Reserve your seat now as space is limited.
- <https://arkansasaq.eventsmart.com/>

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## Answers → Future Impact

- Medication Assisted Treatment
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## Last Points

Prescription Drugs are Worth More  
Once they are Stolen or Diverted

Circle of Addiction shows that as  
we do a better job with  
Prescription Drug Abuse, Issues  
with Heroin will increase

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## Pharmacoinformatics: Practice and Business

Christopher R. Dennis, PharmD, MMCI, BCPS, CPHIMS

### Learning Assessment

Informatics is more about \_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_?


- A. technology; people
- B. systems; equipment
- C. equipment; systems
- D. people; technology



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### Objectives


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### Defining Informatics

- What is NOT healthcare informatics?
  - Deployment and configuration of systems  
*System Analysts/Engineers*
  - Health Information Management  
*Separate discipline*
  - Analysis of datasets  
*Data Scientists*
  - Tinkering with computers  
*Hobbyists?*




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### Defining Informatics

- Informatics
  - Information Science
    - the collection, classification, storage, retrieval, and dissemination of recorded knowledge treated both as a pure and as an applied science

*Technology side of things*

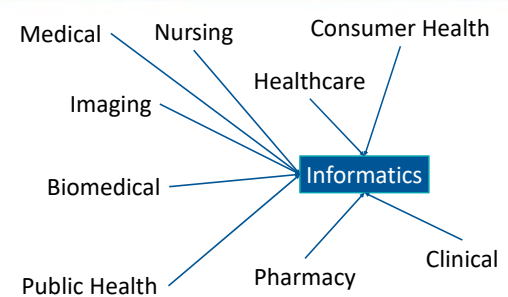



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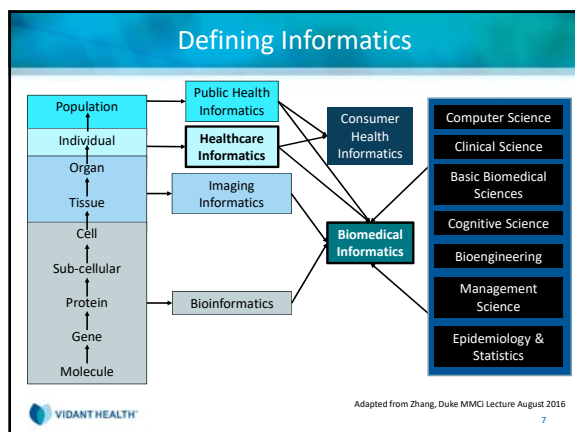


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### Defining Informatics

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### Friedman's Theorem of Biomedical Informatics

- “A person working in partnership with an information resource is ‘better’ than that same person unassisted”
- “Informatics is only 20% about technology”
- “Informatics is more about people than technology”

J Am Med Inform Assoc. 2009 Mar-Apr; 16(2): 169-170

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### Healthcare Informatics

- **Healthcare Informatics**
  - “the integration of health-care sciences, computer science, information science, and cognitive science to assist in the management of healthcare information
  - Often referred also to as Clinical Informatics

<https://www.himss.org/library/healthcare-informatics>

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### Pharmacoinformatics

- **Pharmacoinformatics**
  - “An integral discipline within the clinical informatics domain, centered on the effective management and delivery of medication related data, information, and knowledge across systems that support the medication-use process”
  - Often referred also to as simply Pharmacy Informatics

<https://www.ashp.org/-/media/assets/pharmacy-informaticist/docs/sopit-terminology-glossary.asx?w=71a=en&hash=73918DD4193285ED1285084F784DAA329509AC3E>

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### Informaticist or Informatician? Tom-ay-to, Tom-ah-to?

- -ician
  - Specialist: practitioner
  - e.g. Beautician, Physician, Musician
- -ist
  - One that specializes in a (specified) art or science or skill
  - e.g. Geologist, Physicist, Pharmacist, Scientist

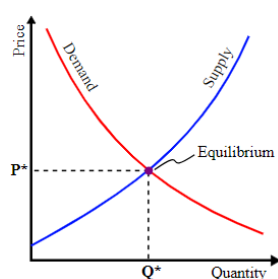
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### Informaticist or Informatician? Tom-ay-to, Tom-ah-to?

- Reality is that these groupings do not have clear margins
- Informatician and informaticist are often used interchangeably
- Roles and responsibilities can vary dramatically even though the same title may be used

### Simple Business Model (Not Healthcare)

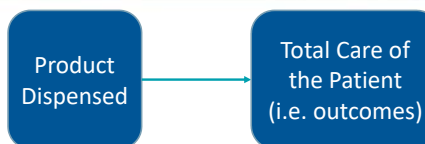


How do we think of value outside of the healthcare sector?

### Healthcare as a Business

- High functioning organizations actually decrease the demand for goods and services
  - Fewer hospitalizations (rehospitalizations)
  - Decrease length of stay
  - Minimize use of costly medications and equipment

### Evolution of Pharmacy Practice



- How does the pharmacy generate revenues?
- How do pharmacist activities impact the generation of these revenues?

### Expanding Pharmacy Services

- Demonstrate return on investment (ROI)
  - Hard dollars vs. Soft dollars
- Demonstrate return on health (ROH)
  - Focus on the outcomes → the benefits that directly relate to the quality of the care being provided
- Increase efficiency with existing resources to enable the organization to do more with less

### Pharmacist Informaticians

- Developing algorithms to support therapy protocols
- Developing and maintaining clinical decision support tools
- Ensuring optimal operation of the various technologies deployed in pharmacy practice
  - Robotics
  - Carousels
  - Automated Dispensing Stations
  - Secure drug cabinets

## Pharmacist Informaticians


Leveraging information and technologies to enable pharmacists and other clinicians to function at the top of their licenses to provide the best possible care to patients.



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## Cost of Care


Total health expenditures per capita/GDP per capita, U.S. dollars, PPP adjusted, 2016



Average per capita \$5,169

The U.S. value was obtained from the 2016 National Health Expenditure data.  
Source: Kaiser Family Foundation analysis of data from OECD (2015), "OECD Health Data: Health Expenditure and Financing: Health Expenditure Indicators", OECD Health Statistics (last revised: Dec 16, 2015) (Health data will be revised on March 28, 2016). \*Get the full story (PDF).  
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<https://www.healthsystemtracker.org/chart-collection/health-spending-u-s-compare-countries/#item-relative-size-health-u-s-spends-disproportionate-amount-health>




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## Cost of Care


On average, other wealthy countries spend about half as much per person on health than the U.S. spends

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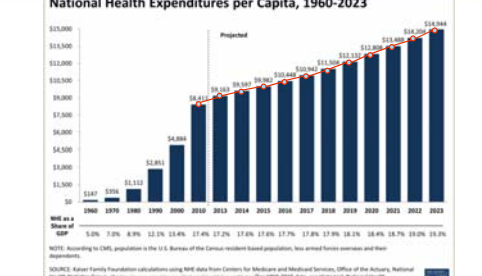
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## Cost of Care

National Health Expenditures per Capita, 1960-2023



NOTE: According to CMS, population in the U.S. Bureau of the Census resident based population, less armed forces overseas and their dependents.  
SOURCE: Kaiser Family Foundation calculations using NHE data from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Office of the Actuary, National Health Statistics Group, at <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/nhe> (for 1960-2020 data, see Historical National Health Expenditures by type of service and source of funds, FY 1960-2022). The nhe2023 data for 2023 is projected. See Physician Workforce and Projections, 1960-2023, file (nhe40-23.xls).

<https://www.kff.org/health-costs/slide/national-health-expenditures-per-capita-1960-2023/>

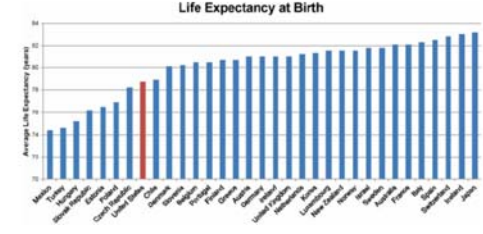


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## Life Expectancy

Life Expectancy at Birth

Fig. 2.3 Life expectancy at birth for OECD (Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development) countries. This figure shows the United States' life expectancy relative to other OECD countries (Data source: OECD Health Statistics 2012)




https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Life-expectancy-at-birth-for-OECD-Organization-for-Economic-Co-operation-and\_fig2\_277869024  
Berwick DM, Nolan TW, Whittington J. The Triple Aim: Care, health, and cost. Health Affairs. 2008 May;27(3):759-769.



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### Patient Experience

- Focuses on the range of interactions that patients have with the health care system
  - Health plans
  - Clinical staff
  - Timely appointments
  - Easy access to information
  - Communication

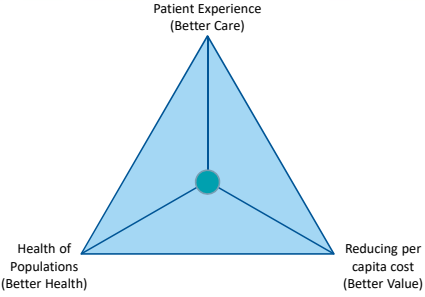
 <https://www.ahrq.gov/cahps/about-cahps/patient-experience/index.html> 25

### Patient Experience

- NOT to be confused with satisfaction
  - Satisfaction has more to do with expectations
  - Two patients can have the same experience, but have differences in satisfaction

 <https://www.ahrq.gov/cahps/about-cahps/patient-experience/index.html> 26


### Institute for Healthcare Improvement Triple Aim



<https://www.healthcatalyst.com/improving-healthcare-outcomes-keep-triple-aim-in-mind> 27

### Achieving the Triple Aim

- Important to recognize the interdependence of each component of the Triple Aim
- Pursuing improvement in one area has the potential of adversely impacting one or both of the others
  - e.g. purchase of a new technology or drug therapy designed to improve outcomes
- However, some initiatives can be synergistic
  - e.g. Eliminating misuse/overuse of therapies

 Berwick DM, Nolan TW, Whittington J. The Triple Aim: Care, health, and cost. Health Affairs. 2008 May/June;27(3):759-769. 28


### Leveraging Technologies

- **Interoperability**
  - “The ability of health information systems to work together within and across organizational boundaries in order to advance the effective delivery of healthcare for individuals and communities.”

 <https://www.ashp.org/-/media/assets/pharmacy-informatics/docs/foipit-terminology-glossary.ashx?fa=en&hash=73918D04193285ED1285084F784DA329509AC3E> 29

### Leveraging Technologies

- **Interoperability**
  - Improve access to information across systems and organizations
    - Improves ability to care for patients
  - Reduces costs related to repeat exams and tests
  - Improve care efficiency → patient experience

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## Leveraging Technologies

- **Telemedicine**
  - “A telecommunications system that links healthcare organizations and patients from diverse geographic locations and transmits text and images for medical consultation and treatment.”

<https://www.ashp.org/f/media/assets/pharmacy-informaticist/docs/sopit-terminology-glossary.ashx?e=en&hash=7391BD041932B5ED12B5084F784DAA329509AC3E>

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## Leveraging Technologies

- **Telemedicine**
  - Improve access to healthcare professionals
    - Specialists can reach patients over a larger geographical region
  - Pharmacists can oversee aspects of the medication use process remotely to ensure consistent delivery of services any time of the day
  - Patients may be able to receive more timely care which could prevent escalations of care (e.g. hospitalizations)

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## Leveraging Technologies

- Organizations must have a clear understanding of their priorities since resources are finite
- Maximize the VALUE delivered

<http://www.pmwares.com/blog/balancing-triple-constraints-triangle/>

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## Objectives

- Define the discipline of healthcare informatics
- Evaluate the role of the pharmacist informatician in the provision of patient care services
- Describe how thoughtful implementation of healthcare technologies can be leveraged to achieve the IHI Triple Aim of improving patient experiences, improving the health of populations, and reducing costs
- Illustrate the role informatics can play in helping to curb the opioid epidemic and in managing issues such as medication shortages

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## Opioid Epidemic

- NC Strengthen Opioid Misuse Prevention (STOP) Act
  - July 1, 2017
    - PAs and NPs must consult with supervising physicians prior to prescribing “targeted controlled substances”
    - Hospice or palliative care providers must provide information to a patient and his/her family regarding disposal of “targeted controlled substances”
  - September 1, 2017
    - Pharmacies must report required information on all controlled substances dispensed into the CSRS

<http://www.ncbop.org/PDF/GuidanceImplementationSTOPACTJuly2017.pdf>

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## Opioid Epidemic

- NC Strengthen Opioid Misuse Prevention (STOP) Act
  - November 1, 2017
    - All pharmacists required to register for CSRS access in order renew their licenses for 2018
  - January 1, 2018
    - Restrictions on initial prescriptions for “targeted controlled substances” went into effect
  - January 1, 2020
    - ePrescribing of Controlled Substances will be required

<http://www.ncbop.org/PDF/GuidanceImplementationSTOPACTJuly2017.pdf>

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### Leveraging the Data Opioid Risk Tool

	Female	Male
<b>Family history of substance abuse</b>		
Alcohol	1	3
Illegal drugs	2	3
Rx drugs	4	4
<b>Personal history of substance abuse</b>		
Alcohol	3	3
Illegal drugs	4	4
Rx drugs	5	5
<b>Age between 16 – 45 years</b>	1	1
<b>History of preadolescent sexual abuse</b>	3	0
<b>Psychological disease</b>		
ADD, OCD, bipolar, schizophrenia	2	2
Depression	1	1
<b>Scoring Total</b>		

<https://www.drugabuse.gov/sites/default/files/files/OpioidRiskTool.pdf>

### Leveraging the Data Morphine Equivalent Daily Dose

**Opioid Morphine Equivalent Conversion Factors<sup>1</sup>**

Type of Opioid	MME Conversion Factor
Butorphanol	12.6
Buprenorphine tab or film	10
Buprenorphine	7
Codine	0.15
Dihydrocodeine	0.25
Fentanyl buccal or SL tablets, or lozenge/roche <sup>2</sup>	0.13
Fentanyl film or oral spray <sup>2</sup>	0.18
Fentanyl nasal spray <sup>2</sup>	0.16
Fentanyl patch <sup>3</sup>	7.2
Hydrocodone	1
Hydroxycodone	4
Levorphanol tartrate	11
Meprobamate hydrochloride	0.1
Methadone	3
Morphine	1
Nalbuphine	1
Oxycodone	1
Oxycodone	1.5
Oxycodone	3
Pentazocine	0.37
Taperindol	0.4
Tramadol	0.1

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Prescription-Drug-Coverage/PrescriptionDrugCovContra/Downloads/Opioid-Morphine-EQ-Conversion-Factors-March-2015.pdf>

### Leveraging the Data Morphine Equivalent Daily Dose

**HOW MUCH IS 50 OR 90 MME/DAY FOR COMMONLY PRESCRIBED OPIOIDS?**

<p><b>50 MME/day:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50 mg of hydrocodone (10 tablets of hydrocodone/acetaminophen 5/300)</li> <li>33 mg of oxycodone (~2 tablets of oxycodone sustained-release 15 mg)</li> <li>12 mg of methadone (&lt;3 tablets of methadone 5 mg)</li> </ul>	<p><b>90 MME/day:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>90 mg of hydrocodone (9 tablets of hydrocodone/acetaminophen 10/325)</li> <li>60 mg of oxycodone (~2 tablets of oxycodone sustained-release 30 mg)</li> <li>~20 mg of methadone (4 tablets of methadone 5 mg)</li> </ul>
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**≥ 50 MME per day – Increased risk of an overdose**  
**≥ 90 MME per day – Increased risk of death from an overdose**

[https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/pdf/calculating\\_total\\_daily\\_dose-a.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/pdf/calculating_total_daily_dose-a.pdf)

### Medication Shortages

[https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda\\_docs/label/2015/020178s013lbl.pdf](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda_docs/label/2015/020178s013lbl.pdf)

### Medication Shortages

**HEALTH ALERT**  
SALINE SHORTAGE FROM PUERTO RICO IMPACTING CNY

**SHORTAGE ON SMALL IV BAGS** abc15 ARIZONA

**SERIOUS SALINE SHORTAGE**

<https://www.localsyr.com/news/local-news/nationwide-saline-shortage-after-hurricane-maria-impacting-cny-hospitals/917608718>  
<https://cbs12.com/news/local/palm-beach-county-doctors-concerned-about-local-impact-created-by-slow-puerto-rico-recover>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3r4de59v9Rc>

### Medication Shortages


Quarter	Active Shortages
01	120
02	88
03	73
04	58
05	74
06	70
07	129
08	149
09	166
10	211
11	267
12	204
13	140
14	185
15	142
16	154
17	146
18	95

National Drug Shortages: Active Shortages by Quarter  
October 1, 2012 to June 30, 2018

<https://www.ashp.org/Drug-Shortages/Shortage-Resources/Drug-Shortages-Statistics>

### Leveraging the Data


- Understand medication usage patterns
  - Monitor for changes over time
- Leverage available drug shortage resources
- Maintain communication with clinicians and staff
- Engage with your pharmacist informaticians early and often


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### Learning Assessment

Informatics is more about \_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. technology; people
- B. systems; equipment
- C. equipment; systems
- D. people; technology

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