

Hot Topics



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*You are the expert! What is “hot” or new in these areas?
Consider submitting a proposal **on the following topics**
identified by the ASHP Section Educational Steering Committees.*

- If your program on one of the topics is accepted, your program will be tagged “Planned in cooperation with the Section of”
- Note: These are **suggested** topics; you are welcome to submit a proposal on a topic not included here. For more information or to suggest other topics, email educserv@ashp.org

Thanks for taking the opportunity to GET INVOLVED!



Section of
**CLINICAL SPECIALISTS
AND SCIENTISTS**

1. Surviving Sepsis 2012-Evidence, Opinion or Compromise
2. Provider status, pharmacist credentialing, and board certification
3. Transitions of care and the pharmacists role (ex. 30 day readmissions, geriatric population, etc)
4. Hypertension and Lipid Guideline Updates
5. Emergency Medicine Toxicology Update
6. Pipeline Antimicrobials and the Need for Intensified Antimicrobial Stewardship
7. Novel treatment of pediatric diseases
8. Updates in Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension
9. Patient safety and drug shortages
10. PPMI and providing clinical measures
11. Clinical program standardization and position justification across a health-system
12. New therapies for hepatitis C
13. Oral Chemotherapy: Pharmacist Roles in Adherence, monitoring and safety
14. How to set up a pharmacogenomics monitoring service
15. Hot topics in precepting



Section of
**PHARMACY PRACTICE
MANAGERS**

1. Transition of Care - Best practices in transitions of care
2. Benchmarking and Dashboards
3. Innovations in reducing pharmacy costs and improving value without reducing labor
4. Lean Thinking or Systems Approaches (Six sigma, PDCA, Kaizen in Pharmacy Practice)
5. Creating business plans for pharmacy services in ACO models
6. Managing staff expectations: Workflow, satisfaction, and generational job expectations
7. Value Based Purchasing – Impacting HCAHPS, readmission rates, and health literacy efforts
8. Preparing for and managing healthcare consultants
9. Building pharmacist accountabilities for medication therapy outcomes
10. Leading strategic planning efforts around critical activities such as new service lines
11. Specialty pharmacy: Integration, management, and implementation
12. Health system centralized compounding centers
13. Integration standardization in health systems: What first, how much, and where to start
14. Leadership Development – Mentor opportunities outside of pharmacy and succession planning
15. Maintaining 340b program integrity – how to do it, what to look for, what does “program integrity” really mean



1. Medication reconciliation process and logistics strategies
2. Anticoagulation management-reversal protocols for newer agents, treatment across different indications
3. Pharmacist credentialing and privileging and other future trends in pharmacy
4. Advancing pharmacy services in community hospitals
5. Residency and advanced training opportunities for the practicing pharmacist
6. Managing nosocomial infections with highly resistant pathogens
7. Integration of pharmacy extenders-students, residents, and technicians into clinical practice
8. Safety and operational considerations of emerging therapies-i.e., pharmacogenomics and stem cell
9. Safety in special populations- obese, HIV, hepatitis C, pain, or transplant patients
10. Parenteral and enteral nutrition support for the non-nutrition specialist
11. Intergenerational workforce considerations for frontline pharmacy staff
12. Effective documentation of pharmacy interventions in the patient's medical record
13. Advanced pharmacy technician roles: Education, training, and certification needs
14. Creating mutually beneficial IPPEs for student pharmacists, preceptors, and practice sites
15. Medication safety for the non-med safety officer



1. DEA and state activities' impact on pain management
2. Teaching practitioners sound clinical decision making skills
3. Biosimilars update
4. Reimbursement models in home infusion
5. Short term and long term use of antibiotics
6. Provider status & pharmacist credentialing
7. Innovative models of care and sustainable business practices
8. Pharmacists' defined process of care: Ensuring consistency across providers
9. Hot topics in mental health
10. Impact of Affordable Care Act on pharmacy services & reimbursement
11. Holistic approach to patient care: Alternative healing modalities
12. Diabetes update
13. Best practices in transitions of care
14. Inter professional relationship building
15. Physical exam review for specific disease states



1. Clinical decision support: Making it timely and relevant for providers
2. How to improve Electronic Health Records (EHRs) to enhance patient safety efforts
3. Where does the pharmacy informaticist fit into Meaningful Use?
4. Leveraging technology to assist in transition of care, ambulatory practice, and medication reconciliation
5. Measuring Technology's impact: Pharmacy Operations Analytics
6. Developing informatics skills for future pharmacists
7. Managing unintended consequences of technology
8. Corporate management of IT systems within a large health system
9. Integration of IV infusion pumps with EHRs/eMARs
10. Leveraging robotics to change pharmacy workflow
11. Determining the impact of EHR implementation on pharmacy workload and staffing requirements
12. Integrating healthcare information with mobile technology
13. Determining the correct use of auto verification of medication orders
14. Using newer technologies to advance pharmacy practice
15. Understanding standardized vocabularies: RxNorm, ICD-10, SNOMED-CT