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## JANUARY

- 1 **New Year's Day**
- 9 **93rd South Dakota Legislative Session Opens S**  
State of the State Address, South Dakota State Capitol  
noon
- 11 **Flu Shot Clinic**  
South Dakota State Capitol - Room 411  
10 a.m. - noon
- 12 **National Pharmacists Day**
- 15 **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**
- 23 **Legislative Days - Legislative Update and Dinner**  
RedRossa Italian Grill  
6 p.m.
- 24 **Legislative Days - Health Screening by SDSU Pharmacy Students**  
South Dakota State Capitol  
Starting at 7 a.m.

## FEBRUARY

- 16-18 **Midwest Pharmacy Expo**  
Holiday Inn Des Moines - Airport, Des Moines, IA  
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- 20 **Presidents' Day**

## MARCH

- 11 **Daylight Saving Time Begins**
- 16-19 **APhA Annual Meeting**  
Omni Nashville Hotel, Nashville, TN
- 22 **South Dakota Board of Pharmacy Meeting**  
Sioux Falls, SD - Location TBA  
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- 23 **South Dakota Society of Health System Pharmacists 42nd Annual Meeting**  
Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center, Sioux Falls, SD  
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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# DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Amanda Bacon | Executive Director



## Happy New Year!

The 93rd Session of the South Dakota State Legislature is off and running, and so is your SDPhA team. We've already been hard at work on several pharmacy-related issues that we will continue to follow and update you on in the coming weeks. As you have come to expect, and I hope you have already seen, we will continue

to keep you updated throughout session with emails (through Constant Contact), social media (Facebook) and our website, [sdpha.org](http://sdpha.org).

While we are not introducing legislation this year, we remain quite busy monitoring several pieces of legislation on your behalf. Several bills impacting health care and pharmacy have already been introduced and we continue to follow each of them closely.

Front and center at this time is SB 75. This legislation establishes certain provisions for the dispensing of biological products. [You can read the bill online and see the latest action on it here.](#) SDPhA has taken a neutral position on this bill. Should you have any questions about our position on this legislation or any other bills, please feel free to reach out to me or any of the board members.

We still anticipate some additional pieces of potential legislation, so please continue to [watch our weekly updates closely](#). If the situation warrants you may hear from us more often.

I am so thrilled to be joined this session by Robert Riter, Margo Northrup, and Sue Schaefer (you know them as the pharmacy dream team ;) ). Together will continue the work of representing your interests. Please consider a contribution to the Commercial

and Legislative Branch so we can continue this important work. You can do so [on our website](#) or via the form on page 11.

We're excited to say Legislative Days is back on for 2018, and we look forward to this great opportunity to educate lawmakers, pharmacists, students, pharmacy technicians and the general public about the great work our pharmacists do, and how pharmacy can improve patient health and wellness. Come join us Jan. 23-24. You can find more details on this event throughout the Journal, as well as on Facebook and our website.

In addition to Legislative Days, we once again worked with the Legislative Research Council on a flu shot clinic for legislators. We always hope our lawmakers arrive having already obtained their immunization for this season, but with the number of influenza cases on a sharp rise, we were pleased to offer this opportunity for protection. We would like to extend a huge thank you to Kristen Carter, Pharmacy Manager at Lynn's Dakotamart in Pierre, as well as Trent Merkwon for coming to the Capitol, supplying the vaccine and immunizing those in need. Kristen reached out to me at the office several weeks ago, volunteering to continue the tradition started by our late board member Rob Loe. The pair gave about 15 flu shots - a fantastic opportunity for us to showcase yet another way pharmacists are so much "More Than a Count."

If you're in town for session, let me know! The coffee is always on around here, and sometimes I even have snacks! I always welcome an opportunity to visit with you all.

Respectfully,

*Amanda Bacon*  
SDPhA Executive Director

# PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

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Eric Grocott | SDPhA President



I hope everyone was able to take some time to enjoy the Christmas season with family and friends, and the new year finds you all in good spirits, despite these often frigid temperatures we have been graced with.

As we move into the New Year, fumbling thru the new insurance formularies and the forgotten deductibles, we also look to

address forthcoming issues in the world of pharmacy from the legislative prospective.

As normal, SDPhA will continue to monitor and update everyone on issues relating to the pharmacy profession as the 2018 legislative session proceeds. Amanda, Sue, Bob Riter and Margo Northrup have all established their temporary residencies at the Capitol in Pierre as lobbyists for the association, and will work diligently to stay up-to-date and inform us all of anything that may arise during session. At this point, SDPhA is not proposing any legislative changes, but are actively monitoring several issues. Please keep an eye out for the weekly legislative updates that will be sent out to everyone via email. If you have any questions or concerns regarding any of the issues, please feel free to contact the office or myself and we would be happy to discuss the current situations.

I would like to remind everyone of the upcoming Legislative Days event scheduled for Tues., Jan and Wed., Jan. 24. We will again be joined by a fantastic group of students on Tuesday evening (23rd) for an evening social at RedRossa Italian Grille with legislative updates provided by the board and Robert Riter.

On Wednesday morning we will again travel up to the Capitol to provide a light breakfast and health screenings for the legislators along with opportunities to interact with and get to know your current lawmakers. I encourage everyone who is able to attend this event, and take the time to learn and understand the legislative process and how the pharmacy world is directly impacted by these decisions.

As we are all aware, influenza season is in full swing and we continue to see widespread activity throughout the state, with more than 1000 confirmed cases in the state thus far. This serves as a great reminder of the impact pharmacists can have in the role of immunizing and reminding patients that it is not to late to get immunized! I know most you already have, but I encourage everyone to get signed up with the South Dakota Immunization Information System (SDIIS) if you have not already. There was a change last year from having registered sites, to each pharmacist having an account, so if you are not aware of this change or have not received your new credentials, please contact Tammy LeBeau with the South Dakota Department of Health at 605-773-2795.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns at any time, please reach out to any of the board members and we will do what we can to assist with your needs.

Respectfully,

*Eric Grocott*

SDPhA Board President

# SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

Kari Shanard-Koenders | Executive Director



## **BOARD WISHES ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

The Board wishes everyone a happy, healthy, and productive New Year! Your Board office has goals for the year including continuing to keep the patients of South Dakota safe from harm, replacing our outdated licensure software which will allow credit cards for all license types (patience please – this may take a year),

moving our office to paperless, and adding a conference room of sufficient size to have Board meetings in house! We are very busy and are trying to become more efficient. In 2017, we licensed or registered: 2,051 Pharmacists, 1,679 Technicians, 260 Full Time Pharmacies, 57 Part Time Pharmacies, 774 Non-resident pharmacies, 396 Interns, and 1,289 Wholesale and other Drug Distributors.

## **BOARD WELCOMES NEW REGISTERED PHARMACISTS/ PHARMACIES**

Congratulations to the following 13 candidates who recently met licensure requirements and were registered as pharmacists in South Dakota: Kaylyn Bahnson, David DeBuhr, Patrick Gerhardt, Thomas Jorgensen, Katherine Lurk, Nabiha Mahmood, Shelley Meyer, Desiree Moreland, William Phan, Nancy Rejoub, Pamela Richter, Hui Seo, and Alexander Vos. There was one part time pharmacy license which converted to a full time license issued over the same time period: Bennett County Hospital and Nursing Home. The following pharmacies closed during the quarter: K Mart Pharmacy #7023, Aberdeen on November 29, 2017

## **BOARD ACKNOWLEDGES SD PHARMACISTS DURING DECEMBER BOARD MEETING**

The Board of Pharmacy met on December 8, 2017 for its regularly scheduled quarterly meeting. The Board recognized Cheri Kraemer, owner of Pharmacy Specialties and Clinic, as the 1st Recipient of the ACHC/PCAB Distinction in Hazardous Compounding Award. Cheri was the first facility in the country to be fully prepared and compliant with USP 800 requirements. Her pharmacy clean rooms needed to be completely remodeled to meet USP <800> requirements. Congratulations Cheri! The Board also acknowledged Carol Smith, Inspector, for achieving the prestigious Critical Point Certification in Sterile Compounding for Inspectors (CISCSI). This is a very intense program of study and hands-on training which was developed and supported by Critical Point and NABP. Inspector Paula Stotz became certified in 2016.

## **FLU SEASON AND IMMUNIZATION SEASON REMAINS UPON US**

Remember to check the dating of products in immunization emergency kits routinely. Our inspectors have found outdated products in them. Also, remember to review refrigerator temperatures and educate staff on what to do if excursions are found. When most vaccines have been subject to high or freezing temperatures, efficacy is reduced and they should not be administered.

## **BOARD BIDS LONGTIME PHARMACY LEADER AND INSPECTOR FAREWELL**

The Board office is sad to say farewell to inspector and co-worker, Gary Karel. Gary will be retiring in early January. We wish Gary and his wife Linda well and hope they enjoy his well-deserved retirement! In Gary, our office was blessed with 40 plus years of institutional pharmacy knowledge in a very personable, honest, caring gentleman who was the supreme educator of all licensees. He is going to be incredibly difficult to replace! We must try however; so, we are looking for an individual who has with both hospital and retail experience, management experience and a desire to help pharmacies be in compliance with state and federal laws. If you qualify, please apply by accessing SD Bureau of Human Resources job site for Job ID #9197at: [https://scssdlmweb.agilera.net/lm/CandidateSelfService/lm?dataarea=lrm&\\_frommenu=true](https://scssdlmweb.agilera.net/lm/CandidateSelfService/lm?dataarea=lrm&_frommenu=true).

## **ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE PUBLIC DRUG TIP LINE**

Everyone hears "if you see something, say something". The Attorney General's office has opened a Drug Tip Line for that purpose. If you feel illicit drug activity is occurring, call the Drug Tip Line at (605) 394-1884 or you may text DRUGS to 82257. These numbers are for the public to use so please share with your patients.

## **SOUTH DAKOTA'S DRUG TAKE-BACK PROGRAM IS EXPANDING**

The South Dakota Board of Pharmacy feels strongly that pharmacists dispense prescriptions from SD pharmacies and that patients should be able to return them to pharmacies for disposal when they are unwanted. Melissa DeNoon, PDMP Director, is working diligently to promote the program and has 7 sites signed up to date. Please contact our office if you would like an Assured Waste Solutions MedDrop take-back receptacle in your pharmacy.

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# SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

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## PDMP UPDATE

Prescriber mandated registration with the SD PDMP has been an ongoing project since Senate Bill 1 became effective July 1, 2017. The program is excited to report that as of the end of November, 95% of required prescribers have access to PMP AWARe. Pharmacist users of PMP AWARe have been consistently strong and are currently at 86%. Focus is now shifting to utilization and PMP AWARe prescriber queries continue to outpace pharmacist queries with the average number of queries per month for 2017 being 6,874 and 6,173, respectively. In addition, integration of the SD PDMP with Avera Health System's electronic health record, Meditech, produces on average an additional 2,250 practitioner queries per month. Lisdexamfetamine Dimesylate (Vyvanse®) returned to 10th place for most prescribed drugs in August, September, and October 2017 after being displaced by oxycodone/acetaminophen in June and July 2017.

Inappropriate access to PDMP data has recently affected pharmacists close to home. Two Minnesota pharmacists have been disciplined by the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy for illegally accessing patient records for whom no practitioner/patient relationship existed. The Board issued both pharmacists letters of reprimand and fines and one pharmacist was fired by her employer. These cases illustrate the importance of following state laws and rules regarding PDMP access. South Dakota also requires a practitioner/patient relationship to exist in order to request patient information. The PDMP staff has had to re-educate users that the approved user is responsible for all use of

his/her user name and password and the user is prohibited from sharing access information with any other individual or entity including staff and co-workers.

For pharmacists, this specifically means each pharmacist needs to have their own account. Also, SD does not allow pharmacy technician access so technicians should not be accessing the database using their pharmacist's user name and password. The program encourages all users to review the terms and conditions of the SD PDMP by reviewing the "Acknowledgement" which is noted above the "Search" button on the "Patient Request" window. The SD Board of Pharmacy may conduct regular reviews of data access by practitioners to identify possible violations of law or breach of professional standards and take appropriate disciplinary action.

## PMP AWARe HAS NEW LOOK AND NEW FUNCTIONALITY

The SD PDMP was excited with the announcement by Appriss Health that on November 12, 2017, that PMP AWARe would have a new look and enhanced navigation experience. The new single drop down navigation makes PMP AWARe more user-friendly. Please refer to the updated guides and tutorials within AWARe for assistance with the new design. An important enhancement added with this release is the ability for users to update their account's user name email address. This functionality is located within "My Profile". For other user account updates, please access the new "PDMP Account Information Change Form" on the PDMP's web page, <http://doh.sd.gov/boards/pharmacy/PDMP/>

October Most Prescribed Drugs	RX's	Quantity	Days Supply	Quant/Rx
HYDROCODONE BITARTRATE/ACETAMINOPHEN	18,792	1,165,354	237,596	62
TRAMADOL HCL	12,741	943,395	237,220	74
LORAZEPAM	7,665	370,102	180,322	48
ZOLPIDEM TARTRATE	7,631	256,327	255,165	34
CLONAZEPAM	7,198	440,245	226,372	61
DEXTROAMPHETAMINE SULF-SACCHARATE/AMPHETAMINE SU	6,945	349,975	230,112	50
METHYLPHENIDATE HCL	5,704	274,461	184,611	48
ALPRAZOLAM	5,402	316,687	145,642	59
OXYCODONE HCL	4,316	352,025	78,777	82
LISDEXAMFETAMINE DIMESYLATE	3,787	128,141	124,924	34

*\*VA reporting began in Dec 2014*

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# SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions



Jane Mort | Acting Dean



## **Holiday Greetings from the College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions!**

As our fall semester draws to a close, it is an important time to take stock of the many treasures we are so thankful for, both within and associated with the College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions. While this list is very long, I want to make sure to

indicate how thankful we are to have such outstanding students, generous alumni, dedicated preceptors, committed faculty, visionary leaders, and supportive state pharmacy organizations. Every success achieved by the College is only made possible by this wonderful combination.

Our new PharmD curriculum is moving its way through the approval process on campus and is on track for final review in March by the Board of Regents. In preparation for these curricular changes, we will be renovating our two practice labs in the Avera Health and Science Center. The renovations will allow us to utilize the space for a variety of learning experiences and better replicate the diverse practice activities pharmacists engage in. This renovation will occur over the summer. Please stop by next year to see these exciting changes.

As an update on the search for the College's next Dean, the process is being extended into the spring semester in order to obtain a sufficient number of candidates. The goal is to have candidate interviews in March and the new Dean in place this summer. The search committee is headed by Nancy Fahrenwald, Dean of the College of Nursing, and includes representatives from all stakeholder groups. In other recruitment news, we are currently searching for two ambulatory care faculty positions and look forward to the successful completion of these searches this spring.

The University is finalizing our "Imagine 2023" strategic plan, with an official kick-off January 11th. The College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions will begin our efforts with a workshop designed to identify goals, ascertain relative support, and formulate tactics for operationalizing the efforts. We are very fortunate to have practitioners and students who are willing to join in our planning effort that begins January 4th with a daylong workshop. This is an exciting time for both the College and the University as we set our course for the next five years.

Again, thank you for your interest and support of the College!

Jane Mort, Interim Dean  
College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions

## **Did You Know?**

As pharmacists, you can submit immunization information to the South Dakota Department of Health's Immunization Registry?

Contact Tammy LeBeau to get registered! Tammy is the Coordinator for South Dakota's Immunization Information System (SDIIS) and can be reached at her direct extension, 605-773-4783.

# SD SOCIETY OF HEALTH-SYSTEM PHARMACISTS

Jessica Harris, Pharm.D., BCPS | SDSHP President



**Happy New Year from the South Dakota Society of Health-System Pharmacists!**

## **ASHP MIDYEAR CLINICAL MEETING**

As President of SDSHP, I had the opportunity to attend the 2017 ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting in Orlando, FL December 4-7th. More than 25,000 pharmacy professionals from around the world attended,

and the keynote speaker was Michelle Obama. We also had a very successful “Dakota Night” reception with more than 150 people in attendance. We would like to say thank you to our “Dakota Night” co-sponsors including SDSU College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions, North Dakota Society of Health-System Pharmacists, and North Dakota Board of Pharmacy.

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

We have a number of CE events coming up, so mark your calendars! The South Dakota pharmacy residents will be presenting at our upcoming CE events. SDSHP members can attend these events for free. Please come and support the South Dakota residents! Further information will be sent via email and Facebook®.

- East River Resident CE Event – January 20th at the Prairie Center at Avera McKennan in Sioux Falls, SD.
- East River Resident CE Event – February 10th at Avera Orthopedic Institute in Sioux Falls, SD.
- West River Resident CE Event – February 24th in the East Auditorium at the Rapid City Regional Hospital in Rapid City, SD.

## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

When you renew your membership in 2018, you will have the opportunity to enroll in automatic membership renewal! We are very excited about this new feature! Members will no longer need to worry about missing a renewal.

## **SEEKING NOMINATIONS**

Do you know an awesome pharmacist or technician? Nominate them for Pharmacist or Technician of the Year! Nominations are due January 15, 2018. We are also looking for motivated individuals to fill SDSHP Board of Directors positions opening March 23, 2018. The deadline for applications is January 15, 2018.

## **42ND ANNUAL SDSHP CONFERENCE**

The 42nd Annual SDSHP Conference will take place March 23-24, 2018 at the Best Western Plus Ramkota Hotel in Sioux Falls, SD. I would like to thank the members of the Annual Meeting Committee who have been working diligently to create a fantastic CE program! Please visit [www.sdshp.com](http://www.sdshp.com) for more information and to register for the conference.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jessica Harris, PharmD, BCPS  
SDSHP President

# ACADEMY OF STUDENT PHARMACISTS

Analisa Buysse | APhA-ASP SDSU Chapter President



## Happy Holidays from the SDSU Chapter of APhA-ASP!

Our committees have hosted a variety of events over the past couple months. The OTC Literacy Coordinator, Holden Sjogren, has set up presentations to students at the George S. Mickelson Middle School here in Brookings, teaching sixth graders how to read OTC labels, proper storage techniques, and the importance of talking

to their parents before using OTC products. Our Katy's Kids Coordinator, Rachel Johnson, has also been busy with events teaching first graders a basic understanding of medication safety. Through these events we have reached over 200 students in the past month!

## PATIENT COUNSELING COMPETITION

We have also recently hosted our chapter's Patient Counseling Competition. This year we had nine chapter members participate. Congratulations to our winner, Kaya Borg! As always, the winner of this competition will win an expense-paid trip to APhA Annual Meeting in Nashville, TN to compete in the National Patient Counseling Competition.



*APhA-ASP members bowling at the "Big-Little Social" held by the Social and Pre-Pharmacy Committees.*

## OPERATION IMMUNIZATION

I would also like to give a shout-out to our Operation Immunization co-chairs, Melanie Heeren and Nicole Schaberg, for their hard work during the flu shot season. So far, our chapter has administered 240 influenza vaccines! Their work is building off the success of our previous co-chairs, Bailey Buenger and Jade Kutzke. Thanks to Bailey and Jade's dedication, our chapter was recognized for our work with the Operation Immunization national patient care project at the Midyear Regional Meeting in Des Moines, IA.

## LOOKING FORWARD TO 2018

As president, I could not be more proud of what the chapter has accomplished this semester. Looking forward to the spring semester, we are starting to prepare for Legislative Days in Pierre and APhA-ASP elections for the upcoming 2018-19 school year. Do not forget to like the More Than A Count Facebook page or visit the website, [www.morethanacountsd.com](http://www.morethanacountsd.com), for videos to share to promote the profession of pharmacy!



*Dr. Alex Middendorf, Bailey Buenger, Analisa Buysse, and Chris Kotschevar at the Midyear Regional Meeting in Des Moines, IA.*

**COMMERCIAL AND LEGISLATIVE (C&L) & DISTRICT DUES  
CONTRIBUTIONS  
2017/ 2018**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/Company \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address \_\_\_\_\_

Work City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

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**Yankton-\$15.00**

**TOTAL ENCLOSED**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

# 93rd SOUTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE SESSION CALENDAR

2018 38 Legislative Days



Please refer to the Joint Rules, Chapter 17 for complete information.

	Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
<b>January 2018</b>		1	2	3	4	5	6
	7	8	9 Session Opens 12 Noon (CST)  State of the State L.D. 1	10  State of the Judiciary L.D. 2	11  State of the Tribes L.D. 3	12  L.D. 4	13
	14	15  Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16  Executive orders filed (Constitution, Art. IV, Sec. 8) L.D. 5	17  L.D. 6	18  Jt. Memorial Service 3:00 pm L.D. 7	19  Concurrent Resolution limited introduction deadline (J.R. 6B-3) L.D. 8	20
	21	22  L.D. 9	23  L.D. 10	24  L.D. 11	25  Last day for unlimited bill & joint resolution introduction (J.R. 6B-3) Must be at the front desk TWO HOURS prior to session. L.D. 12	26	27
<b>February 2018</b>	Jan 28	Jan 29	Jan 30  All bill draft requests due in LRC (J.R. 6A-5) L.D. 13	Jan 31  L.D. 14	Feb 1  Last day for introduction of individual bills and joint resolutions Must be at the front desk TWO HOURS prior to session. L.D. 15	Feb 2  Last day for introduction of committee bills and joint resolutions Must be at the front desk TWO HOURS prior to session. L.D. 16	3
	4	5  L.D. 17	6  L.D. 18	7  L.D. 19	8  L.D. 20	9	10
	11	12  L.D. 21	13  L.D. 22	14  L.D. 23	15  Last day for JCA selection of general fund revenue targets (J.R. 7-11.1) L.D. 24	16	17
	18	19  Presidents' Day	20  Last day to use J.R. 5-17 L.D. 25	21  L.D. 26	22  Last day to move required delivery of bills or resolutions by a committee to the house of origin Last day for introduction of concurrent resolutions L.D. 27	23  Last day to pass bills or joint resolutions by the house of origin L.D. 28	24
	Feb 25	Feb 26  L.D. 29	Feb 27  Last day for JCA to move required delivery of special appropriation and property sale bills to house of origin L.D. 30	Feb 28  Last day for house of origin to pass special appropriation and property sale bills delivered by JCA L.D. 31	Mar 1  Last day for introduction of commemorations  J.R. 5-13 in effect L.D. 32	Mar 2	3
<b>March 2018</b>	4	5  Last day to move required delivery of bills or resolutions by a committee to the second house L.D. 33	6  Last day for a bill or joint resolution to pass both houses L.D. 34	7  Reserved for concurrences or conference committees L.D. 35	8  Reserved for concurrences or conference committees L.D. 36	9  L.D. 37	10
	11	12  ←	13	14  Recess	15	16  →	17
	18	19  ←	20	21  Recess	22	23  →	24
	25	26  Reserved for consideration of gubernatorial vetoes L.D. 38	27	28	29	30	31

**STANDING COMMITTEES**  
93<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Session Meeting Schedule – 2018



TIME	ROOM	MONDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY	TUESDAY THURSDAY
7:45 – 9:45 a.m.	414	<b>House State Affairs</b> <i>Rep. Rhoden, Chair</i> <i>David Ortbahn, Staff</i>	<b>House Taxation</b> <i>Rep. Haugaard, Chair</i> <i>Fred Baatz, Staff</i>
7:45 – 9:45 a.m.	413	<b>House Education</b> <i>Rep. Johns, Chair</i> <i>Clare Charlson, Staff</i>	<b>Senate Judiciary</b> <i>Sen. Russell, Chair</i> <i>Wenzel Cummings, Staff</i>
7:45 – 9:45 a.m.	412	<b>Senate Local Government</b> <i>Sen. Langer, Chair</i> <i>Emily Kerr, Staff</i>	<b>House Health &amp; Human Services</b> <i>Rep. Steinhauer, Chair</i> <i>Clare Charlson, Staff</i>
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## LEGISLATIVE DAYS January 23-24, 2018

### Legislative Update and Dinner

January 23, 2018, 6:00 p.m. at RedRossa Italian Grill

### Health Screening

January 24, 2018, beginning at 7 a.m.  
by SDSU College of Pharmacy Students  
at the Capitol Building

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# Midwest Pharmacy Expo Deadlines Approach

While you still have a little more time to register for Expo at the discounted rate (deadline is February 1), the deadline to secure lodging in the Expo block at the Holiday Inn Des Moines – Airport Conference Center for a discounted rate is January 26.

After that, the hotel will open the block of rooms to anyone. With the state wrestling tournament in town during Expo weekend, finding a hotel room after the 26th could be difficult. You must call the Holiday Inn at 515-287-2400 to book your room in the Midwest Pharmacy Expo block.

Don't put it off any longer! Register for Expo. Reserve your room at the Holiday Inn. Then, prepare for an exciting weekend of learning,

connecting and being inspired with your colleagues from across the Midwest!

This year's Expo agenda features up to 16.5 hours of the high-quality, live CPE for pharmacists and up to 10 hours for pharmacy technicians, including pharmacy law and patient safety topics. See the full agenda and register before the early discount (up to \$25) ends!

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### Highlights (so far) for the 2018 Midwest Pharmacy Expo include:

**High Quality Live CE:** Up to 16.5 hrs for pharmacists and 10 hrs for pharmacy technicians

**Clinically Intensive Program:** Friday, Feb. 16, will feature high-level clinical programming designed for those who have or are seeking advanced certification

**Keynote by Jacques Turgeon, BPharm, PhD:** Dr. Turgeon is the chief scientific officer at Tabula Rasa HealthCare and will give the Saturday keynote on precision medicine.

**...And More!**

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# FINANCIAL FORUM

This series, Financial Forum, is presented by PRISM Wealth Advisors, LLC and your State Pharmacy Association through Pharmacy Marketing Group, Inc., a company dedicated to providing quality products and services to the pharmacy community.

## Saving More Money, Now and Later

*You could save today and tomorrow - often without that penny-pinching feeling.*

**Directly & indirectly, you might be able to save more per month than you think.** Hidden paths to greater savings can be found at home and at work, and their potential might surprise you.

**Little everyday things may be costing you dollars you could keep.** Simply paying cash instead of using a credit card could save you four figures annually. An average U.S. household carries \$9,000 in revolving debt; as credit cards currently have a 13% average annual interest rate, that average household pays more than \$1,000 in finance charges a year.<sup>1</sup> The typical bank customer makes four \$60 withdrawals from ATMs a month – given that two or three are probably away from the host bank, that means \$5-12 a month lost to ATM fees, or about \$60-100 a year. A common household gets about 15 hard-copy bills a month and spends roughly \$80 a year on stamps to mail them – why not pay bills online? Automating payments also rescues you from late fees.<sup>1</sup> A household that runs full loads in washing machines and dishwashers, washes cars primarily with water from a bucket, and turns off the tap while shaving or brushing teeth may save \$100 (or more) in annual water costs.<sup>1</sup>

**Then, there are the big things you could do.** If you are saving and investing for the future in a regular, taxable brokerage account, that account has a drawback: you must pay taxes on your investment income in the year it is received. So, you are really losing X% of your return to the tax man (the percentage will reflect your income tax rate).<sup>2</sup> In traditional IRAs and many workplace retirement plans, you save for retirement using pre-tax dollars. None of the dollars you invest in those plans count in your taxable income, and the invested assets can grow and compound in the account without being taxed. This year and in years to follow, this means significant tax savings for you. The earnings of these accounts are only taxed when withdrawn.<sup>2,3</sup>

**How would you like to save hundreds of dollars per month in retirement?** By saving and investing for retirement using a Roth IRA, that is essentially the potential you give yourself. Roth IRAs are the inverse of traditional IRAs: the dollars you direct into them are not tax deductible, but the withdrawals are tax free in

retirement (assuming you abide by I.R.S. rules). Imagine being able to receive retirement income for 20 or 30 years without paying a penny of federal income taxes on it in the years you receive it. Now imagine how sizable that income stream might be after decades of compounding and equity investment for that IRA.<sup>4</sup>

Many of us can find more money to save, today & tomorrow. Sometimes the saving possibilities are right in front of us. Other times, they may come to us in the future because of present-day financial decisions. We can potentially realize some savings by changes in our financial behavior or our choice of investing vehicles, without resorting to austerity.

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# Continuing Education for Pharmacists

## “Pharmacist Consult: CDC - Counseling & Advice for Travelers on Pharmaceutical Quality and Falsified Drugs”

(Knowledge-based CPE)

### Course Sponsorship:

This course is sponsored by the South Dakota State University College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences, Brookings, SD

### Course development:

The following material was published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): *Counseling & Advice for Travelers* regarding the quality of medicines available outside the United States.

Permission has been granted by the CDC for the use of this material in Continuing Pharmacy Education for pharmacists.

**Goal:** To enhance pharmacists’ knowledge of travel medicine issues and patient safety.

### **Pharmacist Learning Objectives**

1. Name the primary characteristics of poor-quality drugs in foreign markets;
2. Evaluate the estimates of prevalence of poor-quality drugs in select countries;
3. Describe the characteristics and potential dangers of counterfeit drugs;
4. Counsel patients on safety measures to best avoid counterfeit drugs when traveling;
5. Access useful websites and *Traveling and Customs Guidelines* for foreign travel.

## Centers for Disease Control and Prevention The Pre-travel Consultation

### *Perspectives: Pharmaceutical Quality and Falsified Drugs - Michael D. Green*

The quality of medicines available outside the United States should not always be taken for granted. In many countries, national drug regulatory authorities lack the resources to effectively monitor drug quality and keep poor-quality pharmaceuticals off the market. These poor-quality drugs include falsified (the product’s identity or source is falsely represented), counterfeit (a product bearing an unauthorized representation of a registered trademark), and substandard (a medicine not conforming to the specifications set by an accepted pharmacopeia) medications.

Poor-quality medicines also include products that are not stored correctly, such that high temperature and humidity can alter the chemical composition. These drugs are an international problem contributing to illness, toxicity, drug resistance, and death.

Although this problem exists on a worldwide scale, reliable global estimates of its prevalence are scarce because consensus is lacking on harmonized international definitions of poor-quality medicines and surveillance methods. Recent survey studies of antimicrobial drug quality in Africa and Southeast Asia revealed that 9%–41% failed quality specifications.

Previous reports have shown that global estimates of drug counterfeiting range from 1% of sales in

developed countries to >10% in developing countries. In specific regions in Africa, Asia, and Latin America, chances of purchasing a counterfeit drug may be >30%.

Since counterfeit drugs are not made by the legitimate manufacturer and are produced under unlawful circumstances, toxic contaminants or lack of proper ingredients may cause serious harm. For example, the active pharmaceutical ingredient may be completely lacking, present in small quantities, or substituted by a less-effective compound.

In addition, the wrong inactive ingredients (excipients) can contribute to poor drug dissolution and bioavailability. As a result, a patient may not respond to treatment or may have adverse reactions to unknown substituted or toxic ingredients.

Before international departure, travel health care providers should alert travelers to the dangers of counterfeit and substandard drugs and provide suggestions on how to avoid them.

### **#1 Active learning question:**

Poor-quality drugs in foreign countries may include falsified, \_\_\_\_\_, and substandard medications.

## **HOW TO AVOID COUNTERFEIT DRUGS WHEN TRAVELING**

The best way to avoid counterfeit drugs is to reduce the need to purchase medications abroad. Anticipated amounts of medications for chronic conditions (such as hypertension, sinusitis, arthritis, and hay fever), medications for gastroenteritis (such as travelers' diarrhea), and prophylactic medications for infectious diseases (such as malaria) should all be purchased before traveling.

Purchasing these drugs via the Internet is not recommended, since the source of the medicines is always questionable. The traveler should also be aware that other health-related items such as medical devices, mosquito nets, and insect repellents could also be counterfeit, falsified, or substandard.

Before departure, travelers should do the following:

- Obtain all medicines and other health-related items needed for the trip in advance. Prescriptions written in the United States usually cannot be filled overseas, and over-the-counter medicines may not be available in many foreign countries. Checked baggage can get lost; therefore, travelers should pack as much as possible in a carry-on bag and bring extra medicine in case of travel delays.
- Make sure medicines are in their original containers. If the drug is a prescription, the patient's name and dose regimen should be on the container.

Bring the "patient prescription information" sheet. This sheet provides information on common generic and brand names, use, side effects, precautions, and drug interactions.

Many countries have restrictions on medicines (including over-the-counter medications) entering their borders. Check with the embassies of your destination countries for prohibited items. A listing of foreign embassies and consulates in the United States is available on the Department of State's website at [www.state.gov/s/cpr/32122.htm](http://www.state.gov/s/cpr/32122.htm).

If travelers run out and require additional medications, they should take steps to ensure the medicines they buy are safe:

- Obtain medicines from a legitimate pharmacy. Patients should not buy from open markets, street vendors, or suspicious-looking pharmacies; they should request a receipt when making the purchase. The US embassy may be able

To help find a legitimate pharmacy in the area.

- Do not buy medicines that are substantially cheaper than the typical price. Although generics are usually less expensive, many counterfeit brand names are sold at prices substantially lower than the normal price for that particular brand.
- Make sure the medicines are in their original packages or containers. If travelers receive medicines as loose tablets or capsules supplied in a plastic bag or envelope, they should ask the pharmacist to see the container from which the medicine was originally dispensed. The traveler should record the brand, batch number, and expiration date. Sometimes a wary consumer will prompt the seller into supplying quality medicine.
- Be familiar with medications. The size, shape, color, and taste of counterfeit medicines may be different from the authentic. Discoloration, splits, cracks, spots, and stickiness of the tablets or capsules are indications of a possible counterfeit. These defects may also indicate improper storage. Travelers should keep examples of authentic medications to compare if they purchase the same brand.
- Be familiar with the packaging. Different color inks, poor-quality print or packaging material, and misspelled words are clues to counterfeit drugs. Travelers should keep an example of packaging for comparison and observe the expiration date.

If the authentic packaging is not available or if you are not familiar with the brand, compare the distinguishing features of the package with that of the insert or blister pack. For example, batch/lot numbers, manufacturing date, and expiration date should match.

## #2 Active learning question - purchasing medicines in a foreign country:

Select the one incorrect travel tip below.

- A. It is always recommended to purchase medicines that are in their original container.
- B Do not buy medicines that are substantially cheaper in foreign countries, unless they are generics.
- C. Do not purchase medicines from open markets, street vendors, or suspicious looking pharmacies.
- D. Different color inks, poor-quality print or packaging material, and misspelled words are clues to counterfeit drugs

## USEFUL WEBSITES

### General Information about Counterfeit Drugs

CDC: [wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/counterfeit-medicine](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/counterfeit-medicine)

World Health Organization: [www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs275/en](http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs275/en)

Food and Drug Administration: [www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/ucm170314.htm](http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/ucm170314.htm)

US Pharmacopeia: [www.usp.org/worldwide](http://www.usp.org/worldwide)

### Traveling and Customs Guidelines

Researching what travelers can pack and bring back into the United States, especially for travelers with disabilities and medical conditions, is helpful in preparing for travel.

Transportation Security Administration: [www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/travelers-disabilities-and-medical-conditions](http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/travelers-disabilities-and-medical-conditions)

Customs and Border Protection: [help.cbp.gov/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/1160/kw/medication](http://help.cbp.gov/app/answers/detail/a_id/1160/kw/medication)

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*Perspectives* sections are written as editorial discussions aiming to add depth and clinical perspective to the official recommendations contained in the book. The views and opinions expressed in this section are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the official position of CDC.

## Directions:

Complete the answer sheet / evaluation on the following page and submit it for credit to:

The Office of Continuing Education, South Dakota State University College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences.

For additional information, call 605-688-4242

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## “Pharmacist Consult: CDC -Counseling & Advice for Travelers on Pharmaceutical Quality and Falsified Drugs”

Learning Assessment - Post-test (Select all correct answers for each question)

- Poor-quality drugs, as classified by the CDC, refer to medicines which are:  
A. Falsely labeled    B. Counterfeit    C. Substandard    D. Illegal street drugs
- Poor-quality medicines may contribute to:  
A. Illness                    B. Toxicity            C. Drug resistance    D. Death
- Antimicrobial drug quality in Africa and SE Asia have failed past drug quality specifications at rates ranging from \_\_\_\_\_ .  
A. 1% - 2%            B. 9% -41%            C. 50% - 60%            D. 80% - 90%
- Global estimates of drug counterfeiting indicate a >10% prevalence in developing countries.  
A. True                    B. False
- The best way to avoid counterfeit drugs when traveling is to purchase them on the internet.  
A. True                    B. False
- Many countries have restrictions on medicines (including OTCs) entering their borders.  
A. True                    B. False
- A slightly different size, shape, color, or taste of a medicine are important indicators of a possible counterfeit product:    A. True    B. False
- Different color inks, poor-quality print or packaging material, and misspelled words are clues to counterfeit drugs.                    A. True    B. False
- Purchasing brand name medicines in a foreign country that are substantially cheaper is generally regarded as a safe practice.    A. True    B. False
- According to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, when re-entering the United States, if a traveler’s “*medications* or devices are not in their original containers, they must have a copy of the prescription with them or a letter from their doctor.  
A. True    B. False

# “Pharmacist Consult: CDC - Counseling & Advice for Travelers on Pharmaceutical Quality and Falsified Drugs”

(Knowledge-based CPE)

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The South Dakota State University College of Pharmacy is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education. The Universal Program Identification number for this program is: #0063-0000-17-034-H05-P.

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- Circle the correct answer:
- |            |        |         |
|------------|--------|---------|
| 1. A B C D | 5. A B | 9. A B  |
| 2. A B C D | 6. A B | 10. A B |
| 3. A B C D | 7. A B |         |
| 4. A B     | 8. A B |         |

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# IN MEMORIAM

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## Merle Edward Amundson

Heaven received another soul when Merle Edward Amundson, age 81, passed away on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at Hancock Regional Hospital from complications of a recent stroke. He was born on August 21, 1936 in Sioux Falls, S.D. to the son of E.P. and Marjorie (Lifto) Amundson. Merle graduated from Colton (S.D.) High School in 1954. He received his bachelors from South Dakota State University in 1958, married his sweetheart Avis Yvonne Schneekloth soon thereafter, then travelled east together so that he could obtain both his masters and Ph.D. (1961) from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in Boston.

He began his career as a chemist at Eli Lilly & Co., working there his entire career with numerous publications to his name and retiring after 33 years with the company, most recently at the level of Executive Director. Merle was a very active member of his church and community. He served faithfully in many capacities at St. James Lutheran Church, where he proudly sang in the choir for many years. In addition, he was a member of the Greenfield Sertoma Club, a past-president and Sertoman of the Year honoree; Board of Directors, Boys & Girls Club of Hancock County; and a strong advocate for youth baseball in this area. In 1989, he received the honor of Distinguished Alumnus from South Dakota State University in recognition of his dedication and service to the pharmacy profession.

## James Allen Thorson

James Allen Thorson was born January 20, 1936, in Luverne, MN, to Edna and Herman Thorson. He graduated from Luverne High School and continued on to Pharmacy School at South Dakota State University. After graduation he worked in Austin, MN, for five years. Then, wanting to make a better life for his family, he stepped out and purchased the Rexall Drug Store in Jasper, MN, where the family lived for seven years. He was an active member of the community as a volunteer fireman, EMT, City league sports, and church member where he sang in the choir.

After enjoying a vacation out west, the family fell in love with the Black Hills and soon moved to Rapid City where he continued and finished his pharmacy career.

Jim accepted Jesus as his Savior at a Billy Graham Crusade when he was a teenager. He became active in the church in a variety of activities and especially enjoyed singing in the choir. He also sang in the Men's Barbershop Choir as well as a Barbershop Quartet called the SilverTones.

He enjoyed motorcycling, snowmobiling, hunting, fishing, golfing, and bicycling. As many know and saw he had his "Bike Path" and McDonald's routine right up to his passing.

His wife and family loved him dearly and will always have the memories, but will miss having him with them very much.

Merle enjoyed golfing, working in his yard and watching his grandchildren participate in their many activities. He also liked baseball, playing at both the high school and college levels while always cheering on his beloved New York Yankees. Most of all, he loved his Lord and his family.

Merle is survived by his wife of over 59 years, Avis Amundson of Greenfield, I.N.; three sons, Eric (Tracie) Amundson of Greenfield, I.N., Dr. Paul (Dr. Alison Tendler) Amundson of Sioux Falls, S.D. and Peter (Polly) Amundson of Westfield, IN; brother, Dr. Loren (Mavis) Amundson of Sioux Falls, S.D.; sister, Lynn (Gordy) Boldt of Bloomington, M.N.; ten grandchildren, Mathew, Jacob, Jenna, Nicholas, Mia, Austin, Blake, Eliana, Amy and Austin; and numerous loving nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, E.P. and Marjorie Amundson; sister, Carol Dierks; and nephew, Mark Amundson.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions may be made by mail to the South Dakota State University Foundation, 815 Medary Ave., Box 525, Brookings, SD 57007 or to St. James Lutheran Church, 1741 S. State Street, Greenfield, IN 46140. Friends may share a memory or a condolence at [www.erleweinmortuary.com](http://www.erleweinmortuary.com).

However, they know he is now experiencing the greatest love of all with his Lord and Savior.

Grateful for having shared his life are his wife, Sharon Thorson; two sons, Jeff (Hugie) Thorson, Dave (Holly) Thorson; one daughter, Jill (Jim) Kullbom; two sisters, Carol (Roy) Cooper, Mickey (Arnie) Gabrielson; one brother, Steve (MaryJane) Thorson; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A Memorial has been established for The Club For Boys of Rapid City. anabolic agents on dental tissues. He published in national research publications and was Editor of the South Dakota Journal of Medicine and Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Section from 1953 to 1961, following reorganization of the faculty by President Hilton Briggs in 1961, Dr. Bailey was given the position of Chief Academic Officer, serving in that position for 24 years, as Dean of Academic Affairs, from 1961 to 1973, and Vice President from 1973 to 1985. He also served as Dean of the Graduate School from 1965 to 1976.

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