

# House of Delegates

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## REPORT ON THE VIRTUAL HOUSE OF DELEGATES

March 16-23, 2018

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### RESULTS OF THE VOTING

From March 16 to 23, the ASHP House of Delegates (roster attached as an Appendix) voted on ten policy recommendations. Delegates approved nine recommendations by 85% or more, the threshold for final approval. One recommendation did not meet that threshold and will be slated for consideration at the June meeting of the House.

The nine policy recommendations **approved** are as follows:

#### **Unit Dose Packaging Availability**

*Source: Council on Pharmacy Management*

To advocate that pharmaceutical manufacturers provide all medications used in health systems in unit dose packages or, when applicable, in packaging that reduces medication waste; further,

To urge the Food and Drug Administration to support this goal in the interest of public health and healthcare worker and patient safety.

*(Note: This policy supersedes ASHP policy 0309.)*

#### **Gene Therapy**

*Source: Council on Pharmacy Management*

To assert that health-system decisions on the selection, use, and management of gene therapy agents should be managed as part of the medication formulary system in that (1) decisions are based on clinical, ethical, legal, social, philosophical, quality-of-life, safety, comparative effectiveness, and pharmacoeconomic factors that result in optimal patient care; and (2) such decisions must include the active and direct involvement of physicians, pharmacists, and other appropriate healthcare professionals; further,

To advocate that gene therapy be documented in the permanent patient health record; further,

To advocate that documentation of gene therapy in the permanent patient health record accommodate documentation by all healthcare team members, including pharmacists.

*(Note: This policy supersedes ASHP policy 0103.)*

### **Medications Derived from Biologic Sources**

*Source: Council on Pharmacy Practice*

To discontinue ASHP policy 0809, Medications Derived from Biologic Sources, which reads:

To encourage pharmacists to take a leadership role in their health systems for all aspects of the proper use of medications derived from biologic sources, including preparation, storage, control, distribution, administration procedures, safe handling, and therapeutic applications; further,

To facilitate education of pharmacists about the proper use of medications derived from biologic sources.

*(Note: Section 351(a) of the Public Health Service Act [42 U.S.C. 262(a)] defines biological product as follows: a virus, therapeutic serum, toxin, antitoxin, vaccine, blood, blood component or derivative, allergenic product, or analogous product, or arsphenamine or derivative of arsphenamine [or any other trivalent organic arsenic compound], applicable to the prevention, treatment, or cure of a disease or condition of human beings.)*

### **Role of Pharmacists and Business Leaders in Health Care Services and Policies**

*Source: Council on Pharmacy Practice*

To discontinue ASHP policy 9819, Role of Pharmacists and Business Leaders in Health Care Services and Policies, which reads:

To support the principle that business leaders and health professionals must share responsibility and accountability for providing optimal health care services to patients; further,

To support the principle that business leaders should expect practicing pharmacists to formulate policies that affect the prerogative of pharmacists to make optimal care decisions on behalf of patients.

### **Confidence in the U.S. Drug Approval and Regulatory Process**

*Source: Council on Public Policy*

To support and foster legislative and regulatory initiatives designed to improve public and professional confidence in the drug approval and regulatory process in which all relevant data are subject to public scrutiny.

*(Note: This policy supersedes ASHP policy 9010.)*

### **Size, Color, and Shape of Drug Products**

*Source: Council on Public Policy*

To discontinue ASHP policy 8310, Size, Color, and Shape of Drug Products, which reads as follows:

To approve the authority of manufacturers to copy the size, shape, and color of generically equivalent drug products as a means of promoting better patient compliance (rational drug therapy), but only when the source and identity of the product are readily ascertainable from a uniform mark or symbol on the product.

### **Drug Dosing in Conditions that Modify Pharmacokinetics or Pharmacodynamics**

*Source: Council on Therapeutics*

To encourage research on the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of drugs in acute and chronic conditions; further,

To advocate healthcare provider education and training that facilitate optimal patient-specific dosing in populations of patients with altered pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics; further,

To support development and use of standardized models, laboratory assessment, genomic testing, utilization biomarkers, and electronic health record documentation of pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic changes in acute and chronic conditions; further,

To collaborate with stakeholders in enhancing aggregation and publication of and access to data on the effects of such pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic changes on drug dosing within these patient populations.

*(Note: This policy supersedes ASHP policy 1720.)*

### **Appropriate Dosing of Medications in Patient Populations with Unique Needs**

*Source: Council on Therapeutics*

To discontinue ASHP policy 0228, Appropriate Dosing of Medications in Patient Populations with Unique Needs, which reads:

To advocate reforms in medication-use systems, including electronic systems, and healthcare provider education and training that facilitate optimal patient-specific dosing in populations of patients with altered pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics.

### **DEA Scheduling of Hydrocodone Combination Products**

*Source: Council on Therapeutics*

To discontinue ASHP policy 1314, DEA Scheduling of Hydrocodone Combination Products, which reads:

To advocate that the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) reschedule hydrocodone combination products to Schedule II based on their potential for abuse and patient harm and to achieve consistency with scheduling of other drugs with similar abuse potential.

The policy recommendation that **did not achieve the 85% threshold for approval** is as follows:

**Pharmacy Practice Training Models**

*Source: Council on Education and Workforce Development*

To promote pharmacy practice training models that: (1) provide experiential and residency training in interprofessional patient care; (2) use the knowledge, skills, and abilities of student pharmacists and residents in providing direct patient care; and (3) promote use of the pharmacist layered learning model; further,

To support the assessment of the impact of these pharmacy practice training models on the quality of learner experiences and patient care outcomes.

*(Note: This policy would supersede ASHP policy 1316.)*

**NOTES ON VOTING**

Over 95% (194) of delegates to the virtual House of Delegates participated in the voting, with 96% (150) of state delegates, 92% of registered past presidents, and 100% of Board members voting. Delegates from all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and Washington, D.C. voted, and in 46 of the 52 delegations (88%), all delegates voted.

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