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Your monthly dose of news you can use:

Fighting antimicrobial resistance

Antibiotic resistance is an urgent threat worldwide, and yet 47 million unnecessary antibiotic prescriptions are written in the U.S. annually, according to [this recent article](#) in *Modern Healthcare*. Jim Jorgenson's [response to the article](#) describes how the best approach to the spread of multi-drug resistant organisms (MDRO) is a well developed Antimicrobial Stewardship Program (ASP). [Learn more](#) about Visante's ASP services.

ICYMI: Key takeaways from the State of Sterile Compounding Report Webinar

Pharmacy Purchasing & Products recently published their annual State of Sterile Compounding Report for 2019. Fred Massoomi and Greg Burger provided their insights into what the report means for hospitals and answered audience questions. The [recording is available here](#).

NEW USP standards now published

On June 1, 2019, USP released the [newly revised compounding standards](#) to help ensure the quality of compounded medicines. Much work from the USP expert committees and thousands of public comments went into these newly released chapters which are synchronized and easy to navigate. [Read more here](#) from Fred Massoomi.

Hope to see you in D.C. in July!

We look forward to attending the upcoming [340B Coalition Summer Conference](#) July 15-17 in Washington D.C. Topics will include the latest

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developments around 340B drug pricing transparency, HRSA 340B audits and other federal oversight activities, the latest trends in contract and specialty pharmacy, and more. *Are you attending?* [Let us know](#) if you want to meet to discuss how we can help you make the most of your program. We'll be at Booth #231.

Be sure to attend [Tammy Zukowski's](#) presentation on "340B Lessons from the Field Part 3," on July 17 at 7:10 AM!

Tall "fish tales" told here

We hope your time at the [ASHP Summer Meeting](#) in Boston was productive. We greatly enjoyed hearing from colleagues about their challenges and new approaches in hospital pharmacy. Our CEO Jim Jorgenson took some extra time out of the office to enjoy Cape Cod's excellent fishing opportunities! Check it out [here](#).

Announcement re: CPO of California San Francisco

Congratulations to Dan Wandres who is retiring after 8 years leading the UCSF pharmacy enterprise. Visante will be assisting UCSF in a search for Daniel's replacement. This is an exciting opportunity to lead the pharmacy enterprise at a major academic medical center. [Click here](#) to learn more.

NEW VIDEO: Best practices for Covered Entities to improve their Revenue Cycle

In this helpful [short video](#), 340B Program expert [Kristin Fox-Smith](#) explains how Covered Entities can improve their revenue cycle. [Contact us](#) to learn more and start an opportunity analysis. [Click here to view](#).

The Road to USP <800> Compliance Missed a section? It's all here!

Each month, [Dr. Fred Massoomi](#) has provided us with excellent insight into new USP <800> sections, taking us down the Road to USP <800> Compliance. These commentaries are incredibly helpful as practitioners work to achieve compliance with these important new standards. They're available [here](#), and we're available to help no matter where you are in the process. Don't wait – [contact us](#) today.

Will you be attending? Coffee's on us! Email [Alana](#) to set up a time to meet.

[340B Coalition Summer Conference, July 15-17, Washington D.C.](#) Stop by our exhibit #231 or [contact us](#) to schedule a time to meet.

WEBINAR

Key Takeaways from the State of Sterile Compounding Annual Report by Pharmacy Purchasing & Products

Recently, Fred Massoomi and Greg Burger presented their expert insight into what this report means for hospitals and health systems, gave an update concerning new and revised USP standards, and answered many audience questions. The webinar recording is [available here](#).

FINAL FAREWELL

We regret to announce the loss of our friend and colleague Rich Ptachcinski. Rich passed away unexpectedly at his home in Orlando, May 17. For the past 18 years Rich has served as the CEO at Pharmacy Consulting International where he has worked to support and advance pharmacy services across the country and internationally. Previously Rich spent 10 years in leadership roles with the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. We will miss the enthusiasm and innovation that Rich brought to his work but are happy to report that the team at PCI plans to carry on that work and continue Rich's legacy.

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