

Session: *Legislative and Regulatory Issues and Their Implications for Pharmacy*
Monday, September 14, 2009, 9:00 am – 10:00 am

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Program Objectives:

At the conclusion of this session the participant will be able to:

- Understand how community retail pharmacy will be affected by upcoming changes to Medicaid generic drug reimbursement.
- Know how the recent changes for DMEPOS suppliers regarding accreditation and competitive bidding will impact community retail pharmacy.
- Understand continued efforts in Congress related to Healthcare Reform and pharmacy's role.
- Hear updates on pharmacy-related proposed legislation before Congress and subsequent implications for the industry.

Self-Assessment Questions:

1. True or False: Proposed dispensing fee increases in the states are anticipated to offset the cuts due to implementation of the Deficit Reduction Act.
2. True or False: Litigation delayed the implementation of AMP-based Federal Upper Limits.
3. True or False: Even with the best-case scenario in the courts, legislation is still needed to fix AMP in the long-term.
4. True or False: Language to provide for grants to pharmacists for medication therapy management services is being debated in the larger federal health care reform legislation.
5. True or False: Existing retail pharmacies that wish to continue billing Medicare for DME must become accredited by an approved organization by September 30, 2009.

ANSWERS: 1.False 2.True 3.True 4. True 5.True