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**EL PASO AREA SOCIETY
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PRESIDENT'S WELCOME



Jennifer Navar, PharmD, BCPS

Welcome back! For those of you that don't know me, my name is Jennifer Navar. I am a clinical pharmacist at Las Palmas Medical Center, and this year's EPASHP President. First, I want to thank you all for your continued support. Our chapter has reached some remarkable milestones such as donating \$100,000 for scholarships and having one of the most active local chapters within TSHP. This is all because of YOU, our amazing members! As our pharmacy family evolves in El Paso, I would like to encourage you all to continue to be involved and, in the process, encourage others to grow with us. Together we can move the profession forward!

Thank you all for being an integral part of our organization and helping move the profession forward in El Paso! I am extremely excited for the year ahead of us. We have a great team working hard to bring you all new and exciting opportunities! As always, we are here to serve our community and if there are things you would like to see from us or if you would like to be more involved, please let us know. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you throughout the coming year. And again, thank you for all you do.

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USP Chapter Updates

Gaspar Quintana (P3) & Lori Garcia, PharmD

June 2019 saw USP announce updates to chapters <795>, <797>, and <825>. The updates to these chapters were scheduled to be implemented December 1, 2019 but have been postponed until further notice. Below is a short summary of those updates:

Updates to USP Chapter <795> Nonsterile Compounding:

- The chapter was reorganized for clarity and now includes tables & boxes for easy reference of key information.
- The guidance for assigning beyond-use-dates (BUD) to Nonsterile Compounding Products (CNSP) has been expanded in the absence of stability information.
- Specific information on the handling of hazardous drugs was removed and a reference to USP Chapter <800> Hazardous Drugs has been added.

Updates to USP Chapter <797> Sterile Compounding:

- The chapter was reorganized for clarity and now includes tables & boxes for easy reference of key information.
- Reduced the number of compounded sterile preparations (CSP) microbial risk from 3 categories to 2 by eliminating the “Low-risk” category. Remaining two categories are renamed Category 1 and Category 2 CSPs and are distinguished by the conditions in which they are compounded, the probability for microbial growth, and the time in which they are to be used.
 - Category 1 CSPs have a shorter BUD and may be prepared in a segregated compounding area (SCA).
 - Category 2 CSPs have longer BUD and must be prepared in a cleanroom environment.
- Specific information on the handling of hazardous drugs was removed and references to USP Chapter <800> Hazardous Drugs.
- Introduced terminology for “in-use time” to refer to the time before which a conventionally manufactured product used to make a CSP must be used after it has been opened or punctured, or a CSP must be used after it has been opened or punctured.

Updates to USP Chapter <825> Radiopharmaceutical

- Introduction of new General Chapter <825> to provide clear and effective standards for compounding sterile radiopharmaceuticals.
- Expands on the standards of practice with radiopharmaceuticals that were out of the scope of USP Chapters <795> and <797>.

References: Compounding Standards. USP. <https://www.usp.org/compounding>. Accessed September 17, 2019.



Happy Pharmacy Month



Webinar: Student Loan Best Practices Learn How to Save on Your Student Loan Debt

For more information on how to register for the webinar or about TSHP benefits, membership renewal, or how to get involved, please visit:
www.TSHP.org



CALENDAR OF EVENTS October

- Tue Oct 15th - National Pharmacy Technician Day
- Wed Oct 16th- EPASHP Meet & Greet / Membership Drive @Peter Piper
- Thu Oct 24th - "SGLT-2 Inhibitors and Diabetic Kidney Disease" CEU
- Oct 20th-26th - National Pharmacy Week
- Sun Oct 27th - Inaugural 5k RxUN & Health Fair
- Wed Oct 30th - Pharmacy Appreciation Dinner @Ruth's Chris

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- Wed Nov 20th - Hepatocellular Carcinoma CEU

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- Saturday April 4th - Frontiers in Pharmacy



Frontiers in Pharmacy

Saturday April 4th, 2020 @ Texas Tech Health Science Center

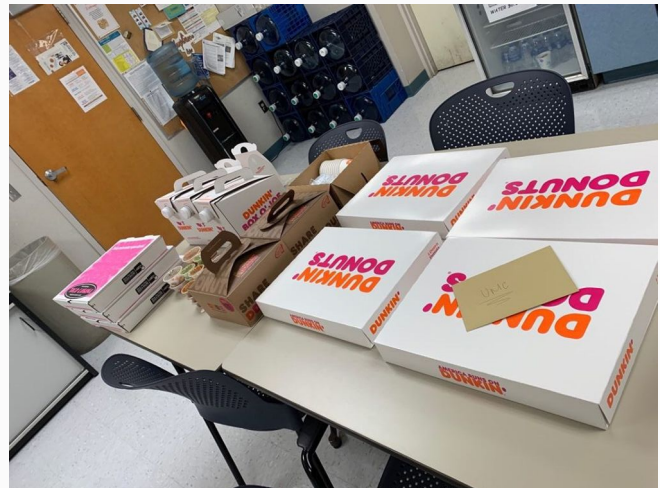
Member Spotlight

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MAUMI VILLARREAL

EPASHP Board Member Maumi Villarreal, PharmD, MS, CDE, was bestowed with the Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists Fellows Designation at the 2019 TSHP Annual Seminar by outgoing TSHP President, Tammy Cohen, PharmD. Dr. Villarreal currently serves as Chair of Industry Section of TSHP, TSHP Educational Council member, and Co-Chair of EPASHP Educational Council.



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