

# Sterile Compounding: USP<797> Revisions and the Compounding Quality Act



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## Objectives:

- Compare and contrast <797> changes
- Describe the history leading up to <797>
- Share best practices
- Review the Compounding Quality Act (CQA)
- Describe the implications on pharmacy of the CQA



## Sterile Products: A Brief History



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In the 1930's and 40's,  
60% of all medications  
were compounded.

Sterile Products:  
A Brief History

There were 5000  
compounding  
pharmacies in 2009  
according to the IACP

Sterile Products:  
A Brief History

In 2012, there were  
7500 compounding  
pharmacies

Sterile Products:  
A Brief History

Sterile compounding  
started in hospitals with  
some custom injections  
and ophthalmics.

What a hospital pharmacy probably looked like in  
the 1930's



Compared to something more up-to-date:



Sterile Products:  
A Brief History

The 1926 edition of the  
USP only listed two  
injections and there was  
no <797>.

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| Sterile Products:<br>A Brief History | In 2013, the UPS lists<br>566 injections |
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| Sterile Products:<br>A Brief History | Up to 1933 hospitals<br>compounded their own<br>CSPs |
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| Sterile Products:<br>A Brief History | 1933 saw the first<br>commercially available<br>parenteral product. That<br>company is still in<br>business. |
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| Sterile Products:<br>A Brief History | In 1964, ASHP reported<br>on major deficiencies in<br>sterile compounding. |
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| Sterile Products:<br>A Brief History | At that time, most<br>sterile products were<br>being produced by<br>nurses in patient care<br>areas. |
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| Sterile Products:<br>A Brief History | In the mid-60's LAFW<br>and HEPA filtration were<br>introduced as was the<br>first TPN and in-line<br>filtration. |
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| <p>Sterile Products:<br/>A Brief History</p> | <p>In the 70's we had the addition of filters attached to syringes, lipid emulsion, and Medicare started paying for home infusion.</p> |
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| <p>Sterile Products:<br/>A Brief History</p> | <p>In the 80's-2000's we see the introduction of compounded cardioplegia, ACDs, and increased drug shortages.</p> |
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| <p>Sterile Products:<br/>Patient Safety</p> | <p>Pharmacy has been slow to recognize and mitigate contamination issues related to CSPs.</p> |
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| <p>Sterile Products:<br/>Patient Safety</p> | <p>1971: 100 patients die from septicemia from LVPs manufactured by Abbott Labs due to faulty glass closures.</p> |
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| <p>Sterile Products:<br/>Patient Safety</p> | <p>1977: Drug related hospital deaths were 1.2 per 1000 patients, mostly due to LVPs</p> |
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| <p>Sterile Products:<br/>Patient Safety</p> | <p>1988: 1 death due to hospital compounded cardioplegia using an ACD.</p> |
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Sterile Products:  
Patient Safety

2012: NECC  
compounded steroids  
and cardio tested  
positive for fungi.

Sterile Products:  
Patient Safety

2012: NECC Over 750  
patients harmed with  
meningitis, strokes,  
para-spinal infections.  
64 deaths over 20  
states.

Objective Question

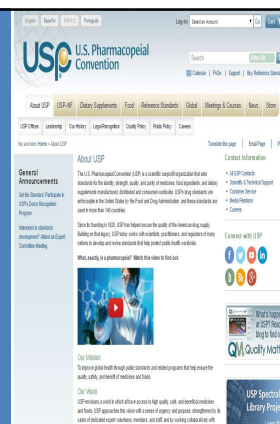
Based on the brief history, which of the  
following are true?

- A. The profession of pharmacy has known about potential CS contamination for a relatively long time.
- B. Patient care has become more complex over time.
- C. HEPA filtration and LAFW came into use in the 1960's.
- D. Prior to 1933, hospitals compounded all CSPs.
- E. All of the above.

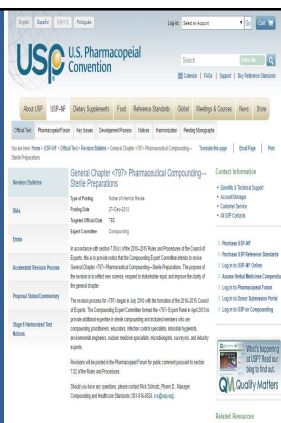
Where can I  
find the  
USP<797>  
revisions?



The USP Website  
[www.usp.org](http://www.usp.org)



## Chapter &lt;797&gt;



## 2004 Original Review Venues

Any place where sterile products are compounded. Excludes manufacturers.

## Environment

Air quality, particulate counts, ISO classification, risk levels.

## Personnel

Responsibilities, training, monitoring, and mitigation.

## Types of CSPs

Immediate-use, SDVs, MDVs, nuclear, hazardous, allergen extracts

## Quality

Verification of accuracy, environmental QC, suggested SOPs, ACD verification, finish prep checks and release

Storage

Assignment of BUD, maintaining integrity from pharmacy to patient

Patient Care

Training, ADR monitoring and reporting, QA

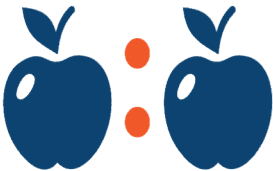
Enforcement

USP defers to state regulatory bodies but warns that the FDA can get involved.

Enforcement


The State of Florida doesn't codify USP<797> until 2014. (64B16-27.797)

2014 Revisions: Compare and Contrast



Three Original Risk Levels Collapsed into two

| Risk Level | BUD for Controlled Room Temp Storage | BUD for Cold Storage | BUD for Frozen Storage |
|------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Low        | 48 hours                             | 14 days              | 45 days                |
| Medium     | 30 hours                             | 9 days               | 45 days                |
| High       | 24 hours                             | 3 days               | 45 days                |



Category I  
Category II

Three Original Risk Levels Collapsed into two

**Table 1. USP <797> BUD Limitations for CSPs Compounded in a Cleanroom**

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|------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Low        | 48 hours                             | 14 days              | 45 days                |
| Medium     | 30 hours                             | 9 days               | 45 days                |
| High       | 24 hours                             | 3 days               | 45 days                |

Based on number or complexity of manipulations

Category I  
BUD  
Assignment

| Storage Conditions     |                    |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Controlled RT (20-25C) | Refrigerate (2-8C) |
| <= 12 hours            | <= 24 hours        |

### BUD Assignment for Category II CSPs

| BUD                   | Preparation Characteristics |                           |                      | Storage Conditions                            |                     |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|---|---------------------|-----------------------|
|                       | Method of Sterility         | Sterility Test Performed? | Preservatives Added? | Controlled RT (20-25C)                        | Refrigerator (2-8C) | Freezer (-25 to -10C) |
| Aseptically Prepared  | No                          | No                        | No                   | Prepped from non-sterile components<br>4 days | 7 days              | 45 days               |
|                       |                             |                           |                      | Prepped from sterile components<br>6 days     | 9 days              | 45 days               |
|                       |                             |                           | Yes                  | 28 days                                       | 42 days             | 45 days               |
|                       |                             |                           | No                   | 28 days                                       | 42 days             | 45 days               |
|                       |                             |                           | Yes                  | 42 days                                       | 42 days             | 45 days               |
|                       |                             |                           | Yes                  | 14 days                                       | 28 days             | 45 days               |
| Terminally Sterilized | Yes                         | No                        | No                   | 28 days                                       | 42 days             | 45 days               |
|                       |                             | Yes                       | No                   | 28 days                                       | 42 days             | 45 days               |
|                       |                             | Yes                       | Yes                  | 42 days                                       | 42 days             | 45 days               |

Three Original Risk Levels Collapsed into two

Essentially this is the former Low Risk and Low Risk 24hr levels

|                     | Category I                        | Category II                                       |
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| Hygiene/Garbing     | Quarterly                         | Quarterly   |
| GFS                 | Quarterly                         | Quarterly   |
| Media Fill          | Quarterly                         | Quarterly   |
| PEC                 | ISO classified space not required | ISO classified space required                     |
| Recert              | Q 6 months                        | Q 6 months  |
| VAS                 | Monthly                           | Monthly   |
| Surface Samp        | Monthly                           | Monthly   |
| Physical Inspection | Required                          | Required  |
| Sterility Testing   | Not required                      | Required based on BUD                             |
| Endotox Test        | Not Required                      | Required if prepared from non-sterile ingredients |
| BUD                 | <12hr RT; <=24hr fridge           | >12hr RT; >24hr fridge                            |

Defines In-use time

"The time before which a conventionally manufactured product or CSP must be used after it has been opened or needle-punctured."

### In-Use Time in ISO5 or better air

| Components   | In-Use Time   |
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| Conventionally Manufactured Sterile Product                            |   |
| Ampuls   | Use immediately after opening and filtering                     |
| Pharmacy Bulk Package  | As specified by manufacturer (4-6 hours)                        |
| Single-dose container (vial, bag, syringe, etc)                        | 6 hours   |
| Multi-dose container   | 28 days   |
| CSP  |   |
| Compounded single-dose container                                       | 6 hours   |
| Compounded stock solutions   | 6 hours (peds??)  |
| Compounded multi-dose container*                                       | 28 days, unless otherwise specified by the original compounder. |
| *Must pass antimicrobial effectiveness testing in accordance with <51> |   |



## In-Use Time in worse than ISO5 air

| Components   | In-Use Time   |
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| Conventionally Manufactured Sterile Product                            |   |
| Ampuls   | Use immediately after opening and filtering                               |
| Pharmacy Bulk Package  | Not applicable  |
| Single-dose container (vial, bag, syringe, etc)                        | Use within the time specified by manufacturer or by then end of procedure |
| Multi-dose container   | 28 days unless manufacturer states other                                  |
| CSP  |   |
| Compounded single-dose container                                       | Use immediately. Discard remainder  |
| Compounded multi-dose container*                                       | 28 days, unless otherwise specified by the original compounder.           |
| *Must pass antimicrobial effectiveness testing in accordance with <51> |   |

## Garb and Gloving Requirements

| CSP Category | PEC Type                       | Minimum Requirement   |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Category I   | Any                            | -Non-cotton, low-lint gown or coveralls<br>-Low-lint disposable shoe covers<br>-Low-lint head covers that covers ears and forehead<br>-Sterile gloves and sleeves |
| Category II  | LAFS and BSC                   | In addition to above:<br>- Mask<br>- Eye shield   |
| Category II  | RABS (CAI or CACI) or isolator | - Gowns/coverall<br>- Shoe and head cover<br>- Sterile gloves   |

## General organization of the chapter

Layout of the chapter is more user friendly in that it is now sectioned and numbered for ease of use.

## Sampling and QA

More stringent as we have seen with the CSP Categories. More labor intensive for leadership to monitor.

## Personnel

Describes specific training and mitigation strategies and when those strategies should be used.

## Hazardous Drugs

Completely removed and placed into USP<800>

Based on the previous section, which of the following is true?

- A. Personnel surveillance would now be a quarterly task.
- B. BUD for Category II CSPs is a function of the method of sterility, whether sterility tests were performed, and the presence or addition of preservatives.
- C. Category I CSPs are the same as immediate or emergency use products and can be produced outside of an ISO5 PEC.
- D. All of the above.
- E. Only A and B

### Best Practices and Q&A (5-10 min)

Is there any non-proprietary practices you are willing to share? Were they well received by staff and leadership? What were the outcomes?

### The Drug Quality and Security Act: FDA Guidance

<http://www.rnfdrw.com/article/new-compounding-policies-fda-may-affect-hospital-and-health-system-pharmacy>



### Draft Guidance: Facilities

Section 503(b) added to the DQSA of 2013 defines "outsourcing facility"

<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM456288.pdf>

### Draft Guidance: Facilities

If a facility registers as an outsourcing facility, ALL products produced there whether upon receipt of a prescription or not, must meet CGMP standards.

### Draft Guidance: Facilities

An outsourcing facility is "at one geographic location or address."

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| Draft Guidance:<br>Facilities | Outsourcing facilities cannot avoid the CGMP requirements by subdividing the facility. |
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| Draft Guidance:<br>Facilities | An outsourcing facility may produce compounds and manufacture approved drugs however, compounds must bear the phrase, "This is a compounded drug". |
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| Draft Guidance:<br>Facilities | Facilities are subject to FDA inspection on a risk-based schedule. |
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| Draft Guidance:<br>Hospitals and Health-System Compounding | Section 503(a) of the FDCA describes the conditions under which compounded drugs meet certain exemptions from the FDCA. |
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| Draft Guidance:<br>Hospitals and Health-System Compounding | Compounded drugs which meet all of the above criteria are exempt from CGMP. |
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| Draft Guidance:<br>Hospitals and Health-System Compounding | Enforcement of Section 503(a) |
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| <p>Draft Guidance:<br/>Hospitals and<br/>Health-System<br/>Compounding</p> | <p>The FDA position on<br/>compounding...</p> |
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| <p>Draft Guidance:<br/>Hospitals and<br/>Health-System<br/>Compounding</p> | <p>The Prescription<br/>Requirement</p> |
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| <p>Draft Guidance:<br/>Hospitals and<br/>Health-System<br/>Compounding</p> | <p>The One Mile Provision</p> |
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| <p>Questions for previous section:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. True or False: Outsourcing facilities must be a licensed pharmacy in order to compound.</li> <li>B. True or False: Health-system pharmacies are exempt from CGMP provided they meet the 10 conditions for compounding.</li> <li>C. True or False: Compounds may be made in anticipation of a prescription order.</li> <li>D. True or False: Hospitals may distribute compounds to commonly owned facilities greater than 1 mile from the compounding facility.</li> </ul> |
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| <p>Questions or Comments?</p> |
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