



ICHP News Brief

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News to share – please post on bulletin boards

Poison Prevention March is Poison Prevention Month and National Poison Prevention Week is March 19-25. Be sure to host an event at your facility on this important topic.

Champion Winners - Winners of the 2016 Champion Incentive program for setting up 50% or more webinars are: Don Ferrill from Memorial Medical Center, Tara Vikery Gordon from Hamilton Memorial Hospital, Elizabeth Jochum from Kishwaukee Hospital, Alicia Juska from Swedish Covenant, Jennifer Splawski from MacNeal Hospital, and Karin Terry from OSF St. Francis Hospital. Congratulations and THANK YOU!

ICHP/MSHP 2017 Spring Meeting – Registration is now open! Our meeting theme is “Get in Shape to Innovate!” So please join us on March 31-April 1, 2017 at the Gateway Center in Collinsville IL for some great education sessions, networking opportunities, industry updates and fun after hour activities. For more information, go to ichpnet.org > Events > [Spring Meeting](#). To register, go to moshp.com > Education > [2017 Spring Meeting](#).

Pharmacy Legislative Day – is Wednesday, March 15, 2017 and if your schedule is suddenly open and you want to come, give us a call at the ICHP office and we'll see if we can fit you in. The joint advocacy event provides pharmacy professionals and students with an opportunity to speak to legislators about the critical issues in pharmacy. This year the General Assembly is considering many important pharmacy related bills. Hope we will see you there! To register: ipha.org > Events > [Pharmacy Legislative Day](#)

Legislative and Regulatory Update There's a stinker of a bill (HB2392) in the House Committee on Health Care Licenses and we're asking all our members to contact your State Representatives and Senators to urge them to oppose it! The bill would not only severely limit the number of medication orders a pharmacist could fill per hour but would also restrict all pharmacist shifts to a maximum of 8-hours per day. If you're working a 10-hour/4-day a week shift or an 11-hour/7-day on 7-day off shift those days would be numbered. In addition, this terribly written bill would require pharmacies to maintain error reports that could and would be used against them in civil and potentially criminal proceedings. ICHP is monitoring over 80 bills this session so watch for each issue of the KeePosted and your e-mail to stay informed!

Upcoming Champion Continuing Pharmacy Education (CPE) Live Webinars

March Champion CPE - Tomorrow! March 7 at 12:00pm - **One Live Presentation Only!**

Topic: Implementing a New Antimicrobial Stewardship Program at Your Institution

Speakers: Radhika Polisetty, PharmD, BCPS, AQ-ID; Jaime Borkowski, PharmD, BCPS

Additional great topics planned for 2017! Please watch for more information on these Champion programs in upcoming ICHP CPE News Briefs, or visit: ichpnet.org/events/champion_webinars.

Check out the bi-weekly CPE News Brief that lists all the CPE programs ICHP offers members. Every other Thursday – opposite the ICHP Career Center! Consider posting or sharing in your workplace.

Best Practice – Submissions Welcome!

The Best Practice application form is now available online. The Best Practice Award program encourages innovative or creative pharmacy practice programs or innovative approaches to existing pharmacy practice challenges in health systems within the state of Illinois. The winner, if one is chosen, will receive \$1,000 for their department. For more information and to submit an application, go to: ichpnet.org > [Pharmacy Practice](#) > [Professional Practice](#) > [Best Practices](#) The deadline for submitting is July 1st!

Technician-specific Home Study – ICHP Technician Members receive a FREE subscription to our Pharmacy Tech Topics™ (PTT) online continuing education. This subscription includes access to all available PTT programs online – 10 credit hours a year. Please share this information with your technician co-workers! For more information on the CPE go to pharmacytechttopics.com. To learn more about ICHP, go to ichpnet.org. Already a member and need help accessing your PTT account? Call us at 815-227-9292 for assistance.

Champion webinars available as Home Study on CESally.com – Champion webinars are webcast once at noon in the month of a webinar. All Champion webinars are recorded and available as home study on CESally.com. You can use the home study to schedule a showing to your staff at any time or any day. Members will receive continuing education credit through this home study process as well.

For questions, please contact your ICHP Champion: _____