

REPORT OF THE APhA-ASP HOUSE OF DELEGATES

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PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS & BACKGROUND STATEMENTS

2023.1 - Call for Further Mental Health Research to Improve Patient Care

APhA-ASP advocates for peer-reviewed research on mental health challenges in pharmacists, student pharmacists, and pharmacy personnel to identify gaps in supportive resources and the potential impact of these gaps on patient care.

2023.2 – Upholding and Awareness of Antitrust Laws

1. APhA-ASP calls upon federal agencies to use their authority to strictly apply antitrust laws which exist to limit excessive market power and anticompetitive conduct to ensure patient access to affordable medical goods and pharmacy services.
2. APhA-ASP encourages APhA and other pharmacy organizations to provide public and healthcare professional education on the impact of mergers within healthcare.

2023.3 – Reproductive Health

1. APhA-ASP supports protecting patients' reproductive health care rights and advocates for equitable access to reproductive health services.
2. APhA-ASP calls for the implementation of programs to educate pharmacists and student pharmacists on abortifacient and contraceptive medications, including but not limited to applicable State and Federal laws, safe abortion care practices, and patient access to reproductive health services.
3. APhA-ASP advocates for laws and regulations to enable pharmacists to prescribe contraceptives, resulting in increased patient access to healthcare.

2023.4 – Opioid Education within Pharmacy Curriculum

APhA-ASP encourages all schools and colleges of pharmacy to enhance didactic and experiential education on opioid counseling in order to build student confidence, promote patient interactions, decrease stigma, and improve safe opioid usage.

2023.5 – Safe Staffing Practices and Elimination of Quotas and Performance Metrics in Pharmacies

1. APhA-ASP advocates for the implementation of staffing measures across all pharmacy practice settings that are appropriate for that institution in order to optimize patient care and safety.
2. APhA-ASP supports the elimination of quotas and performance metrics that have a negative impact on the safety and well-being of patients, pharmacists, student pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and other pharmacy personnel.
3. APhA-ASP advocates for the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy to establish adequate staffing guidelines for state boards of pharmacy to refer to when developing state-specific staffing requirements.
4. APhA-ASP advocates for state boards of pharmacy to develop requirements that hold pharmacies within their jurisdiction accountable for implementing and maintaining adequate staffing levels at each practice site.

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