Pharmacists Are Trusted Health Care Providers

83% of voters agree that pharmacists have the education and professional training to do more for patients than filling prescriptions

81% agree that pharmacists should be considered part of each patient’s overall health care team

66% of voters nationwide said they think of pharmacists as “health care providers” though pharmacists are not currently recognized as such under federal law

Pharmacists and Their Services Improve Health Care Quality

73% of voters nationwide agree if pharmacists were included as members of health care teams, it would improve health care quality

75% agree if pharmacists were more involved as members of health care teams, patients would have fewer problems with medications

Pharmacists and Their Services Reduce Health Care Costs

70% of voters agree that pharmacists working more closely with doctors would reduce patient costs

72% agree that pharmacists working more closely with doctors would reduce overall health care system costs

Results based on a survey conducted by Clarus Research Group, a nonpartisan survey research firm based in Washington, D.C. for the American Pharmacists Association by live telephone interviewers October 30-November 10, 2013. Sample size: 1,000 registered voters nationwide. Margin of error +/- 3.1 percent.