



## *Advocating on behalf of Michigan's pharmacy professionals for quality patient care*

### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

- Support the patient's ability to choose a Michigan community pharmacy
- Support increased access and utilization of medication therapy management (MTM) and other wellness programs
- Support appropriate medication use and disposal
- Advocate for patient safety
- Support pharmacists' role in patient-centered medical home model delivery of health care
- Support pharmacists' role in accountable care organizations
- Support the control and safe use of medical marijuana

### **SCOPE OF PRACTICE**

- Support licensure and require certification of pharmacy technicians
- Support clarification of the definition of a medical institution and pharmacy practice
- Advocate for adoption into state rules the DEA policy recognizing long-term care nurses as agents of the prescriber
- Support revisions to Board of Pharmacy Administrative Rules where needed to reflect the advancement of pharmacy practice
- Support patient-pharmacist communications being privileged
- Support alternative Board of Pharmacy disciplinary actions for certain medication errors with no patient harm
- Support practice of pharmacy in partnership with clinics targeting the uninsured or underinsured population

### **INSURANCE AND REGULATORY ADVOCACY**

- Support elimination of mandated mail order pharmacy programs for state tax-supported prescription programs and increase awareness of the negative impact of outsourced prescriptions on Michigan's economy
- Support uniform insurance audit standards for pharmacy providers
- Support transparency and accountability of pharmacy benefits managers
- Advocate for ability to negotiate pharmacy contracts instead of "take-it or leave-it" pharmacy contracts
- Amend the definition of a prescription in the Michigan tax code to be consistent with that found in the Public Health Code
- Support restructuring of Michigan Business Tax
- Implement and reimburse for pharmacist-provided MTM programs

### **MEDICAID**

- Oppose a pharmacy provider tax
- Advocate to increase or maintain the pharmacy provider dispensing fee
- Support reimbursement of e-prescribing transmittal fee to pharmacy providers
- Advocate for fair and adequate pharmacy reimbursement methodologies



### **Additional Information**

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