



Road to the NCPDP 2019 Annual Conference

1st Edition with NCPDP



The “**Road to the NCPDP 2019 Annual Conference**” newsletter is a publication that will showcase companies and disruptive technologies in the pharmacy industry.

For the first edition, we will feature NCPDP and its role leading change in the industry. With the announcement of the NCPDP 2019 Annual Conference theme, we spoke with NCPDP’s President and CEO, Lee Ann Stember, to learn more about why they selected the theme “Dare to Disrupt,” and how that plays into the focus of this year’s conference.

“NCPDP has a long history of being an innovative disruptor – all with the goal of improving patient safety and health outcomes, while also decreasing costs,” said Lee Ann Stember. “From its early successes in standardization with the Universal Claim Form and mobilizing the industry to adopt its recommendations to help patients avoid unintentional overdose of acetaminophen – to its standards and guidance being developed today that will go deeper into improving the healthcare experience – disruptive innovation is truly a hallmark of NCPDP.”

So with this provocative call to action for its 2019 Annual Conference, NCPDP is challenging its members to continue on this path of disruption for the common good.

At the conference itself, which draws around 800 attendees from across the healthcare industry, NCPDP is taking a disruptive approach to enhance its educational programming, among other aspects of the conference experience. New this year, NCPDP is offering half-hour CPE credits for 30-minute rapid-fire track sessions, and giving conference goers more exposure to industry trends and emerging technologies. Plus, attendees will get an update on NCPDP’s [Strategic Initiatives](#) – the NCPDP Standards-based Facilitator Model for PDMP, *An Interoperable Framework for Patient Safety*; the NCPDP Universal Patient Identifier; and Specialty Pharmacy Expansion. NCPDP’s work on these initiatives is vital to improving patient safety and better-informed clinical decision making. That’s bold and disruptive.

Tools Developed by the Industry for the Industry

NCPDP designs and delivers data products and services to help our member organizations be more successful. These products provide a vital revenue source that helps sustain NCPDP’s important standards development and patient safety work.

[dataQ®](#) and [resQ®](#) are the only data sources that capture tens of thousands of pharmacy profile data changes and provides up-to-date and in-depth pharmacy information.

Year: 2015

9,990 pharmacy profile updates per month

5,084 new pharmacy profiles

Year: 2016

15,236 pharmacy profile updates per month

4,186 new pharmacy profiles

Year: 2017

21,054 pharmacy profile updates per month

3,948 new pharmacy profiles

Year: 2018

22,493 pharmacy profiles updates

We hope to see you at [NCPDP's 2019 Annual Conference!](#) Visit PharmacyFocus in the NCPDP Pavilion in the Solutions Marketplace. Watch for the next issue of "Road to NCPDP's 2019 Annual Conference," as we showcase the latest in innovative, disruptive technologies and solutions for the pharmacy industry.

per month
4,244 new pharmacy profiles

Usage statistics:

of Active Pharmacies : **80,930**

Average # of pharmacy logins per month: **29,760**

Average # of data fields updated per month: **264,780**

of current and historic documents collected from pharmacies:
2,142,035

About PharmacyFocus

PharmacyFocus has been a technology provider to NCPDP for over 10 years and is currently an NCPDP Elite Partner. PharmacyFocus has implemented and maintains technologies related to NCPDP's pharmacy database products (NCPDP Online, dataQ, resQ and HCIda). We believe that NCPDP's pharmacy database products provide the pharmacy industry with data standardization that creates efficiencies for all stakeholders.

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