

National Pharmacy Purchasing Association (NPPA)



2022 NPPA Conference & Membership Brochure

Join your Pharmacy Buyer colleagues from across the nation, at the **25th Annual NPPA Conference, August 9 through 11, 2022 at Bally's Las Vegas**. All NPPA Conference educational sessions highlight the issues of pharmacy purchasing, and come with 8-12 hours of ACPE-accredited CE units for pharmacy recertification (including "Law" CE).

Become a new Member of NPPA (the National Pharmacy Purchasing Association), in order to save on your registration fee to attend our 2022 event, get 7 issues a year of our official publication *Pharmacy Purchasing Outlook*, and support your profession's Association!

Register Now!

Join NPPA as a new Member, to save on Reg Fee

Find link to register on NPPA's website: [PharmacyPurchasing.com](https://www.PharmacyPurchasing.com)



Website: www.PharmacyPurchasing.com ("Join NPPA" page for membership info/orders; Home Page to signup on our mailing list)

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Become a Member of NPPA...

To SAVE on Conference Registration Fees...

Receive Annual Publication, & More Benefits!

HOW DO I SAVE?

By becoming a member of NPPA, not only are you supporting the advancement of the Pharmacy Purchasing Profession and joining your buyer colleagues, but you will **also** become eligible to receive a **DISCOUNT on Attendee Registration** to our NPPA Conferences.

Adding a new NPPA membership to your Attendee Conference Registration (\$90/year), is **actually LESS** of a total cost than only registering to attend as a non-member. NPPA membership includes a subscription to our member-publication and other benefits (see below). That's right—you receive **MORE for less!**

Full NPPA Pharmacy & GPO Member Benefits

- Membership in NPPA, first association of Pharmacy Buyers
- Includes 7 editions/year of member-publication *Pharmacy Purchasing Outlook (PPO)*
- Receive digital interactive PDF versions of all *PPO* editions
- Receive RxBuyer eNews, a periodic e-newsletter
- Eligible for nomination to Outstanding Buyer of Year Award Program, which comes with cash prizes for Top 3 placements
- Lower Member Registration Fee for Annual NPPA Conference (membership status must be current during month of August)
- Access to the Members-Only section of the NPPA website, www.PharmacyPurchasing.com
- Specific Pharmacy Buyer info & opportunities for education, networking, career growth, and ACPE-accredited CE units



NPPA Member Testimonials

"Wow! As a long-time member and conference attendee, NPPA has been very helpful to me and my job position, even from the start. They have been a great resource for product information as well as networking with other pharmacy buyers. After my first NPPA Conference, I felt much better knowing I was not alone in my quest to manage product shortages and backorders. I have even been able to keep in contact with some of the other buyer-attendees I meet at the event. We talk about how we handle issues that come up on the job, and try to help solve each other's problem. In addition, the NPPA member-publication *Pharmacy Purchasing Outlook*, is informative and discusses topics that pertain to buyers. "

Jeffrey Brown, CPhT, Pharmacy Buyer
Carolinas Hospital System-Marion, Mullins, SC

"The NPPA Conference provides so very much for us buyers. Each year I come home with my head swimming from all the changes I can see making for our Pharmacy."

Bobbi Holthaus, CPhT, Pharmacy Buyer
Wilson Memorial Hospital, Sidney, OH

No national pharmacy organization we know of fully recognizes the crucial importance of pharmacy purchasing. However, NPPA asserts that pharmacy purchasing is the most important specialty in Pharmacy. We invite you to join your fellow buyer colleagues in NPPA, and help us participate in the progress of this important field.

"Pharmacy purchasing is a profession that has for too long been ignored. We are out to change that."

Dale J. Kroll, Founder of NPPA

Current Educational Program Lectures (*as of 7/14*)

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12.75 ACPE-accredited CE contact hours will be available, for both Pharmacy Tech/Buyers & Pharmacists, including 1 hour of Pharmacy “Law”

Drug Diversion Prevention: A Pharmacy Buyer's Perspective

Angela Westdorp, CPhT, RPT, Inventory Control Specialist, Sarasota Memorial Hospital, North Venice, Florida
Ken LeBoutillier, PharmD, CPh, Pharmacy Administrative Manager, Sarasota Memorial Hospital, and Diversion Program Co-Chair, Sarasota Memorial Healthcare System, Sarasota, Florida
Jodi Emmett, BSN, RN-BC, Medication Diversion Specialist, Sarasota Memorial Hospital, Sarasota, Florida

Pharmacy Buyer Workload, Training & Growth Options - “Where To From Here?”

Sarah Davis, CPhT, B.S., M.A., Apexus Certified 340B Expert, Lead Product Advisor in Pharmacy Analytics, Vizient, Inc., Irving, Texas

Pharmacy Automated Dispensing Cabinets: Configuration, Maintenance & Optimization

Cassi Prosper, CPhT, Lead Narcotic Quality Technician & Backup Pharmacy Buyer of a Hospital/Health System in Modesto, California; and Director/Instructor of the Modesto Junior College Pharmacy Technician Program.

Medication Safety & The Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee In Hospital Pharmacies

Cynthia E. Gunn, BS, CPhT, Pharmacy Inventory & Automation Specialist-Continental Division, HealthTrust Purchasing Group (HCA), Denver, Colorado

503B Outsourcing Companies Explained

Pam Shea, CPhT, Retired Pharmacy Buyer, Carlsbad, California (used to work at Scripps Green Hospital in La Jolla, California)

Drug Supply Chain Quality & Security Act (DSCSA) Information & Updates

Teri Levitt, MS, CPhT, 340B Apexus Certified Expert, Senior Product Advisor, Vizient Inc., Irving, Texas
♦ *Qualifies for Pharmacy “Law” CE requirement*

Pharmacy Inventory: A Team Sport

Angela Nash, CPhT-Adv, Director of Career Development, National Pharmacy Technician Association (NPTA), Houston, Texas

Advantages Of Offsite Hospital Pharmacy Procurement Centers

Bryan Neary, MPA, Assistant Director of Pharmaceutical Supply Chain, University of Rochester Medical Center (URMC), Rochester, New York

Cost Savings Strategies In Pharmacy

Vicki Sykes, Senior Pharmacy Sourcing Manager/Analyst, Amber Specialty Pharmacy, Omaha, Nebraska

Hospital Pharmacy Inspections & Preparations – “They Could Come at Any Time!”

Kelly Boudreaux, CPhT, Pharmacy Technician Supervisor, Children's Hospital, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Cyber Attack Awareness For Hospital Pharmacies

Amber Johnston, PharmD, Pharmacy Manager of Central Operations, Nebraska Medicine Medical Center, Omaha, Nebraska
Angela Loftus, CPhT, Senior Purchasing Analyst, Nebraska Medicine Medical Center, Omaha, Nebraska

Managing The Complexity & Rate Of Change In Pharmacy Inventory

Fatimah Muhammad, MPH, 340B Pharmaceutical Services Program Manager, Saint Peter's University Hospital, New Brunswick, New Jersey

Secondary Purchases In Pharmacy & 340B

Elizabeth Faust, MHA, 340B ACE, 340B Purchasing Compliance & Optimization Specialist, Prime Vendor Program Managed By Apexus, Irving, Texas

25th Annual NPPA Conference

August 9-11, 2022 – Bally's Las Vegas

Come join hundreds of your Pharmacy Purchasing Professional colleagues to network & learn the latest trends in Pharmacy Purchasing. Meet with between 90-110 exhibiting vendor companies who serve hospitals and health systems; as well as your GPO & Wholesaler reps, in our official GPO & Wholesaler Breakout Sessions. We sincerely hope you are able to join NPPA and your buyer-colleagues in August!

Add a new or renewing NPPA Membership to get a discount on your registration. As a member, you'll stay informed of the latest new product approvals to save money for your facility, and help in our mission to get Buyers the recognition they deserve within the world of Pharmacy. See more on Page 2, or our website.

Here are some NPPA Conference highlights:

- **Pharmacy Buyer Training & Improvement**—education tailored specifically to the needs of the Pharmacy Procurement Specialist.
- **90-110 Pharmaceutical Company Exhibitors**—to meet & view their products & services.
- **1 Meal Per Day Included in Registration fee (plus Opening Reception)**—unlike most conventions.
- **Comes with 8-11 units of ACPE-accredited Pharmacy CE's**—for recertification (for Technicians and some also for Pharmacists), including the mandatory 1-hour of Pharmacy Law.
- **Scholarship Program for Attendees** available to apply for request of Registration Fee and/or 4 Hotel Room Nights, under our NPPA Group Room Block at Bally's Las Vegas.
- **Conference Start & End Times**—for 2022, program begins on Tuesday, August 9 at 8:30am and ends on Thursday, August 11, midday (*final end time still TBD*).
- **GPO Breakout Sessions**—usual participants are HealthTrust, Premier, & Vizient.
- **Optional "340B University" sponsored by Apexus LLC**—Apexus will return with us again in 2022 for this optional add-on event, which is held the day before the start of NPPA Conference (Monday, August 8), at no additional cost (*registration is comped by Apexus*).

Comments From Past Attendees

- "We need to get most or all, of our Pharmacy Buyers to attend NPPA's worthwhile Annual Conference."
-David Billing, MS, R.Ph., Pharmacy Director, DePaul Medical Center/SSM Health, Bridgeton, MO
- "Each year I have attended the NPPA Conference, I get new information with regard to changes in law affecting Pharmacy, safe professional practices, and different issues that can affect supply chain. The opportunity to meet and network with other buyers and to share our different processes is very valuable to help possible improvement in my day to day."
-Lucia Tafoya, Pharmacy Buyer, St. Mary Medical Center/Dignity Health, Long Beach, CA
- "Not only is your NPPA Conference the smoothest event I have ever attended, but the knowledge and networking I was able to do was worth its weight in gold. Sometimes working in a small hospital, you feel alone in your day to day tasks, so it was very nice and incredibly helpful to meet other professionals to exchange struggles and solutions. I will be advocating with our hospital for us to attend your event again next year. I have also now submitted a request for an NPPA membership, since after this event we saw the benefits of joining."
-Megan Marquissee, MS, CPhT, Pharmacy Business Manager
North Country Hospital Pharmacy, Newport, VT