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## Educational Program Topic Suggestions & Call for Speakers 27th Annual, 2024 NPPA Conference (August 19-22, 2024)

**Help us fill out the Educational Program & speaker roster at the upcoming 27th Annual 2024 NPPA Conference** over August 19 through 22, 2024 at Horseshoe Las Vegas (formerly Bally's). The NPPA Conference is *ALL* about the Pharmacy Purchasing profession and the information you need to expand your knowledge of this \complex and important field, by considering becoming a presenter, and hopefully refresh the enthusiasm you have for your career. Or, perhaps you've seen or heard of an interesting and applicable pharmacy purchasing related speaker that you can recommend.

**Accepted speaker compensation includes** a complimentary Attendee Registration (no fee), along with reimbursement of up to 5 Hotel Room Nights at our Conference Hotel, Bally's Las Vegas. Speaker fee/honorarium and additional travel expenses are negotiable, based on experience and presentation length. **Timeslots available** range from full sessions of 1-hour (50-55 minutes of content for a 1-hour session); to shorter time lengths ranging from 15 to 40 minutes.

**Topics to potentially speak on:** *see below* for NPPA's list of *suggested* topics for an idea of what we look for to fill our Educational Program (or please suggest your own for consideration, if not listed there, as long as it relates to Pharmacy Purchasing). This year's topics were taken from ideas given in feedback by Pharmacy & GPO Attendees from previous years' NPPA Conferences and suggestions given by past NPPA Advisory Board members. However, if there is another pharmacy purchasing related subject not shown in our suggested list that you feel you can speak comfortably & passionately on, please feel free to submit your new topic for consideration.

**Or, perhaps you've seen or heard an interesting and applicable speaker elsewhere to recommend;** or are a representative of a vendor company interested in speaking. However with vendor speakers, please first be aware that each lecture must be general and non-promotional to the speaker and/or the facility/company they represent. In addition as a general rule, speakers employed by drug or supply vendors that provide or have a hand in the services or products they offer, *are not eligible* for the ACPE-accredited CE that comes with NPPA Conference attendee registration, due to their strict requirements in that respect. This means that unless we have room in our program for a non-CE/optional session, we would not be able to fit such a vendor-specific lecture in our program.

### 2024 NPPA Conference Educational Program Topic Suggestions

- COVID-19 Related Challenges & Solutions for Pharmacies & Hospitals
- Pandemic Effects & Repercussions
- Opioid Reversal Agents
- The Pharmacy Buyer's Role in Preventing Opioid Overdose
- Preventing Fraud, Waste & Abuse in Pharmacy

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- Importance of Risk Evaluation & Mitigation Strategy (REMS)
- Pain Management Treatments Over-the-Counter
- New Pharmacy Regulations for the Current or Upcoming Year
- USP Chapter 797 & 800 Regulations for Pharmacy
- Other Regulations & Laws that Affect Pharmacy Purchasing
- Pharmacy Based Vaccine Updates
- Public Vaccine Clinics & The Buyer's Role
- Medication Storage
- Pharmacy Based Managers (PBMs) - Pros & Cons
- Pharmacy Technology & Automation
- Various Diabetic Medications
- Generic Drugs & Therapeutic Equivalence
- Drugs & Therapeutic Equivalence
- Top Medication Safety Issues
- Reducing Medication Errors
- New & Upcoming Drug Approvals
- Cyber Security
- Emergency & Disaster Preparedness in Pharmacy
- Addiction in the Pharmacy Community
- Polypharmacy: How Much Is Too Much?
- Preventing Workplace Related Burnout & Stress
- DEA Compliance of Controlled Substances (or Drug Diversion)

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- Drug Supply Chain Quality & Security Act (DSCSA) Information & Updates
- Joint Commission Rules & Helpful Information
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Rules & Updates - How They Affect Pharmacy
- National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health (NIOSH) Rules & Updates
- State & Federal Programs that Hospitals Can Use
- Reverse Distribution
- Barcoding Tips & Tricks
- Improving Communications Between GPO's & Pharmacy Buyers
- Pharmacy & Medical Staff: Cultivating Relations & Improving Care
- How & Why Buyers Should Become a Member of Hospital's P&T Committee
- Organizational Ideas to Improve Workflow & Available Space
- Pharmacy Inventory Management & Control
- Intravenous Immunoglobulin (IVIG)
- Changes Implemented in the Pharmacy
- Purchasing for Outpatient Pharmacies and/or Clinics
- Cost-Savings: Identifying & Tracking or How to Generate Savings
- How to Manage or be Better Prepared for Drug Shortages
- Patient & Medication Safety
- Recycling & going "green" in the Pharmacy & Hospital
- GPO Conversions

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- Drug Recalls
- Quality Assurance or Improvement Projects
- Career Improvement & Journey up the Ladder
- Daily Functions & Helpful Tips for Pharmacy Buyers
- Team-Building, Staff Relations & Leadership Training
- Stress Management & Improving Health/Well-Being

*\*Note these are not meant to be the actual titles for each presentation, only suggestions of the general topics.*

**To inquire about speaking, send an email to: [Speakers@PharmacyPurchasing.com](mailto:Speakers@PharmacyPurchasing.com) with your requested topic/s, time length (see page 1 details for options), and full contact information** including company name and title. If you have a current CV or Resume, please send that as well. Then our NPPA Speaker Committee Team will discuss amongst ourselves and follow up by email to ask you any necessary clarifying questions; before sending our materials for you to review, complete, and return in order to be considered.

Having Pharmacy Buyers presenting to their peers is something we always strive to find and fill in our program, and is a long-standing request from attendees. So consider presenting on a topic that you have experience in and passion about, and know that sharing your knowledge with your colleagues is always a rewarding experience!

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