

# Celebrate Pharmacy Buyer Day!

## October 20, 2023

“Elizavette is a devoted-worker. She takes the initiative to set up quarterly business reviews with our wholesaler and runs reports to ensure we are as compliant as possible with our contract purchases, preferred agents, and brand to generic conversions. We reduced overall purchases by \$1 million over the last year as well as decreased returned waste by \$1 million. Our reports always show improvement because of her hard work and dedication.”

– Jessica Beck, Director of Pharmacy  
For **Elizavette Arellano**, CPhT, 1st Place 2023 Outstanding Buyer  
Marian Regional Medical Center, Santa Maria, CA



“Randi helps manage 20 to 25 different hospitals with about 17 buyers, now acts as manager and oversees a distribution center which serves these hospitals. She negotiated a better contract with our compounding vendors for a savings of \$1.1 million. She also led a B. Braun bag conversion that saved \$3 million, and a radiology conversion that saved \$500,000.”

– Jeremy Ortega, PharmD, Clinical Pharmacist  
For **Randi Vargas**, 2nd Place 2023 Outstanding Buyer  
Centura Health System & Physician Group, Centennial, CO

“I feel good knowing that doing my job with quality brings positive results in so many ways. Over 20 years in Pharmacy, one truly never stops learning, something new each day. I enjoy mentoring new buyers, helping fellow colleagues on the same mission. Being in a world where one can be of service to others in so many ways makes all the difference in my life and in the life of others. I look at it more as a mission than a job.”

– **Lucia Tafoya**, 3rd Place 2023 Outstanding Buyer  
St. Mary Medical Center, Long Beach, CA



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