

Clinicians and Coalitions: A Conversation about Finding Solutions for Medication Shortages

Webinar
June 8, 2017~ 12:00 – 1:00 pm ET

Recent shortages of multiple medications frequently used in the care of critically ill patients (e.g., sodium bicarbonate, calcium gluconate and carbonate, atropine, epinephrine and D50, and other drugs available as pre-filled syringes) have challenged hospitals and EMS systems. This lack of availability constitutes a significant risk to patients, and according to the manufacturer, it will be months until significant production resumes.

The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials ([ASTHO](#)) and ASPR's Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange ([ASPR TRACIE](#)) are hosting a webinar featuring practitioners and speakers from state public health, ASPR, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) sharing strategies that can be employed to address these pharmaceutical shortfalls. Speakers will: provide an overview of the medication shortages and their clinical impact; describe coping strategies for scarce resources; and discuss the decision-making strategies states, coalitions, and healthcare facilities are currently using. Because this conversation has sparked interest from a wide variety of our stakeholders, representatives from the following organizations will be available during the question and answer period of the webinar: the American College of Emergency Physicians, the American Hospital Association, the American Nurses Association, the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians, National Renal Administrators Association (NRAA) nephrologist, the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, and a variety of other stakeholders. The webinar will take place **Thursday, June 8, 2017 from 12:00 – 1:00 PM ET.**

NOTE: This webinar is designed to be a conversation among healthcare system preparedness practitioners and clinicians for informational purposes only and will not necessarily represent formal federal guidelines, policies, or positions.

PARTICIPANTS

Moderator: John Hick, MD, Emergency Physician and Deputy Chief EMS Medical Director, Hennepin County Medical Center & HHS ASPR

Speakers:

- **CAPT Valerie Jensen**, R.Ph., Associate Director of the Drug Shortage Staff, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, FDA
- **Jim Blumenstock**, Chief Program Officer, Health Security, ASTHO
- **Dan Hanfling**, MD, Contributing Scholar, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health Center for Health Security, Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine, George Washington University, & HHS ASPR
- **Judy Seaberg**, Healthcare Preparedness Program Manager, Minnesota Department of Health
- **Jeffery Dichter**, MD, Critical Care (Intensivists) Specialist, Unity Hospital (MN)

REGISTRATION

[REGISTER HERE](#) for this free webinar. The webinar will also be recorded and archived on the ASPR TRACIE website within 1 business day. Each registrant will receive a unique link that will be needed to access the webinar. The link can only be used on one computer; therefore, registrants should not forward their registration confirmation emails to others. Please note that this webinar will be **limited to the first 1,000 registrants**, so register early. Where possible, only register one time per office or organization and view the webinar together in order to allow the maximum number of participants.

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