On February 17th, 80 UTEP School of Pharmacy students participated in the "STOP THE BLEED" training hosted at the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine.
**Announcements**

**Calendar:**
March 31st - Cesar Chavez Day
University closed

May 9th - PET Quarterly Meeting

May 13th - Class 2023 Commencement at Don Haskins Center

May 29th - Memorial Day Holiday - University Closed

June 19th - Juneteenth Holiday - University Closed

**Upcoming Rotation Dates:**

**2022-23 APPE**
- Apr. 3 - May 12: APPE 8

**2023-24 APPE & IPPE**
- May 22 - June 30: APPE 1
- May 29 - June 9: IPPE 1
- June 12 - June 23: IPPE 2
- June 26 - July 7: IPPE 3

Update your calendar:
Send us your events!

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**Coming soon...**

**NEW Entrustable Professional Activities (EPA) scale**

The Office of Experiential Education has been working on revamping the Entrustable Professional Activities (EPA) scale that is used to assess student performance in the pharmacy practice tasks and responsibilities they are entrusted to complete and are evaluated in the IPPE/APPE final evaluations. We are working to get this new EPA scale out for the upcoming IPPE/APPE academic year starting this Summer 2023. More details to come.

This scale was adopted from The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) who has been working on revising the Center of the Advancement of Pharmacy Education (CAPE) Educational Outcomes and Entrustable Professional Activities.

**Thank you Preceptors!**

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**CEImpact**

**PHARMACY EDUCATION**

**On Demand Preceptor CEImpact Updated 2023 Access Code**

As an active UTEP SOP preceptor, it is important to us that you maintain your Preceptor status with the Texas State Board of Pharmacy. To promote this, on-demand continuing education (CE) programs through CEImpact have been made available to you at no cost. For the new 2023 CEImpact access code and a list of TCEP approved CEImpact courses, please reference the documents under the Preceptor Resources section of your CORE Elms home page. Locate the “External Resources” link at the bottom of the left-bound menu on your CORE ELMS Home page for CEImpact log in instructions.

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**Thank you Preceptors!**
Preceptors can utilize the "Reports" function in CORE ELMS to generate an aggregate Preceptor evaluation report based on all prior student completed evaluations. This report is available to all preceptors with at least three completed evaluations. Please review the steps below to generate this report.

**Step 1.**
Select the "Reporting" option from the left hand menu of your CORE ELMS homepage. Then select "Run" on the following screen.

![Screenshot of CORE ELMS Reporting]

**Step 2.**
The designated evaluation "Course IPPE/APPE Preceptor Evaluation" will pre-populate in the evaluation type field. Select "Run Report" to generate.

![Screenshot of Evaluation Report]

**Step 3.**
The generated report will present the total number of evaluations submitted, the overall average score for each question response, a comparison of your average to all other preceptors, and all comments provided by the students. You will also have the option to export the report to Word and to print.
Featured Article

National Pharmacist Organizations Applaud House Introduction of Provider Status Legislation
Bill Would Ensure Seniors Have Access to Pharmacist-Provided Healthcare Services

On Friday March 24th, ASHP and the American Pharmacists Association (APhA) applauded the introduction of bipartisan legislation that will ensure pharmacists can continue providing seniors with access to essential care and services provided by pharmacists for COVID-19, influenza (flu), respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) services, and strep throat. The Equitable Community Access to Pharmacist Services Act (H.R. 1770) was introduced yesterday by Reps. Adrian Smith (R-NE), Brad Schneider (D-IL), Larry Bucshon (R-IN), Doris Matsui (D-CA), and pharmacists Buddy Carter (R-GA) and Diana Harshbarger (R-TN).

H.R. 1770 would ensure patient access to essential pharmacist services for seniors and rural and other underserved populations, including:

- Testing: COVID-19, flu, RSV, and strep throat
- Treatment: COVID-19, flu, and strep throat
- Vaccinations: COVID-19 and flu

“We commend bipartisan lawmakers for introducing federal legislation to protect the role pharmacists play to deliver essential care and services to America’s seniors,” said Paul W. Abramowitz, CEO at ASHP, and Ilisa BG Bernstein, Interim CEO at APhA. “Pharmacists in all settings, including rural communities, hospitals, clinics, and health centers, are on the frontlines and have supported Americans through the worst public health emergency in a generation. H.R. 1770 would empower older Americans, who are at higher risk of contracting infectious diseases and needing hospitalization, to continue to rely on services provided by pharmacists in their local communities. While Americans with private insurance, Medicaid beneficiaries, and federal employees may be covered, America’s seniors will be left behind if Congress doesn’t act to ensure access to essential pharmacist services in Medicare.”

ASHP and APhA are executive committee members of the Future of Pharmacy Care Coalition, a group representing pharmacists and community pharmacies of all sizes serving millions of patients daily across the U.S. Other coalition members supporting the legislation include Abbott, AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal Health, CVS Health, Good Neighbor Pharmacy, Health Mart, Kroger, McKesson, Medicine Shoppe, the National Association of Chain Drug Stores, Walgreens, and Walmart.

The full text of H.R. 1770 can be found [here](#).

Article courtesy of March 24th ASHP Newsletter.
New Additions to UTEP Office of Experiential Education

The Office of Experiential Education welcomes the new Associate Dean for Community and Clinical Programs Dr. Amanda Loya. As the previous Chair of Pharmacy Practice and Clinical Sciences Dr. Loya is transitioning into the position held by Dr. Jacquelyn Navarrete. Dr. Loya has been a practicing pharmacist and preceptor in the El Paso community since 2004, first serving as a faculty member in the UTEP/UT Austin Cooperative Pharmacy Program before becoming a founding faculty member in the UTEP School of Pharmacy. The Office of Experiential Education is excited to have Dr. Loya in the leadership role and looks forward to her expertise and commitment to advancing students’ experiential education.

Want to get more involved?
Join our Preceptor Excellence Team!
The Preceptor Excellence Team is a great way to be more involved in items focusing on developing, recruiting, retaining, evaluating and recognizing preceptors. Reach out to Amanda Loya at amloya1@utep.edu if you are interested in being part of the PET team.

This is a quarterly publication of the UTEP Office of Experiential Education/Preceptor Excellence Team. We’d love to hear from YOU - article ideas, events, awards/achievements/celebrations, or interested in becoming more involved. Contact the OEE/PET: exedpharmacy@utep.edu