

FDA Targets Oral Phenylephrine in Nasal Congestion Products

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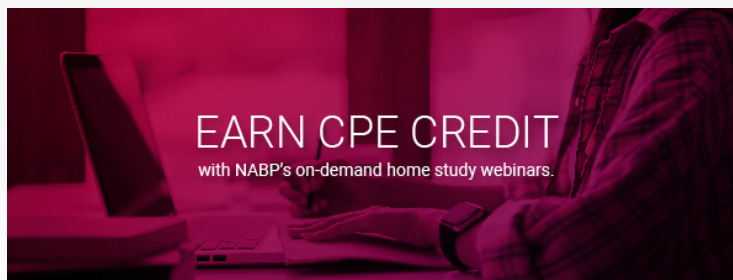
So, what new tools are in the adoption phase today? What pharmacy practice innovations are on the next horizon? What legislative and regulatory efforts are currently in progress that may impact the development and implementation of emerging technologies?

Learn more about new tools in the pharmacy sector in NABP's latest blog.

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FDA Proposes Removing Oral Phenylephrine as Active Ingredient From Nasal Congestion Products

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued a proposed order to remove oral phenylephrine as an active ingredient in over-the-counter monograph drug products for temporary relief of nasal congestion. Although oral phenylephrine is used as a nasal decongestant active ingredient, it was ineffective in treating symptoms when paired with other active ingredients, such as acetaminophen or dextromethorphan. FDA is encouraging individuals to submit comments on this [proposed order](#) by May 7, 2025, through the [Federal eRulemaking Portal](#).

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October Drug Take Back Day Removes 630,000 Pounds of Unneeded Medications From Homes Across the Country

Drug Enforcement Administration's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day removed nearly [630,000 pounds of unneeded medications](#) on October 26, 2024. [Properly disposing](#) of unused and expired medications from homes helps minimize the chances of accidental ingestion.

Permanent drug disposal boxes can be found at police departments, pharmacies, fire stations, hospitals, and municipal buildings. Consumers can find the nearest collection site using NABP's Drug Disposal Locator Tool, available on the Association's consumer website, [safe.pharmacy](#).

[Find a Drug Disposal Site](#)

CDC Advises Pneumococcal Vaccine for Individuals 50 Years and Older

To prepare for the upcoming winter respiratory season, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends lowering the eligible age for the pneumococcal vaccine from 65 to 50 years old. The agency notes that the risk of infection greatly increases for adults at that age. Individuals ages 50 years and older are encouraged to talk to a health care provider about pneumococcal vaccination.

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NABP's Director of Innovation Shares DSCSA Insights at Seminar

At the recent American Society of Pharmacy Law's 50th Developments in Pharmacy Law Seminar, Justin Macy, PharmD, JD, NABP director of innovation, clarified the critical distinction between product verification and product tracing, emphasizing the value of proper documentation and the utilization of transaction histories to ensure compliance and supply chain integrity. More information on the presentation is available in a *Drug Topics* [article](#).

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