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Policy Review Committee Open Forum

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Webinar Information

- Webinar scheduled for 60 minutes
 - 10 minutes for overview
 - 30 minutes for discussion of content
 - 20 minutes for questions/general information
- Moderators will clarify issues, but will not engage in debate

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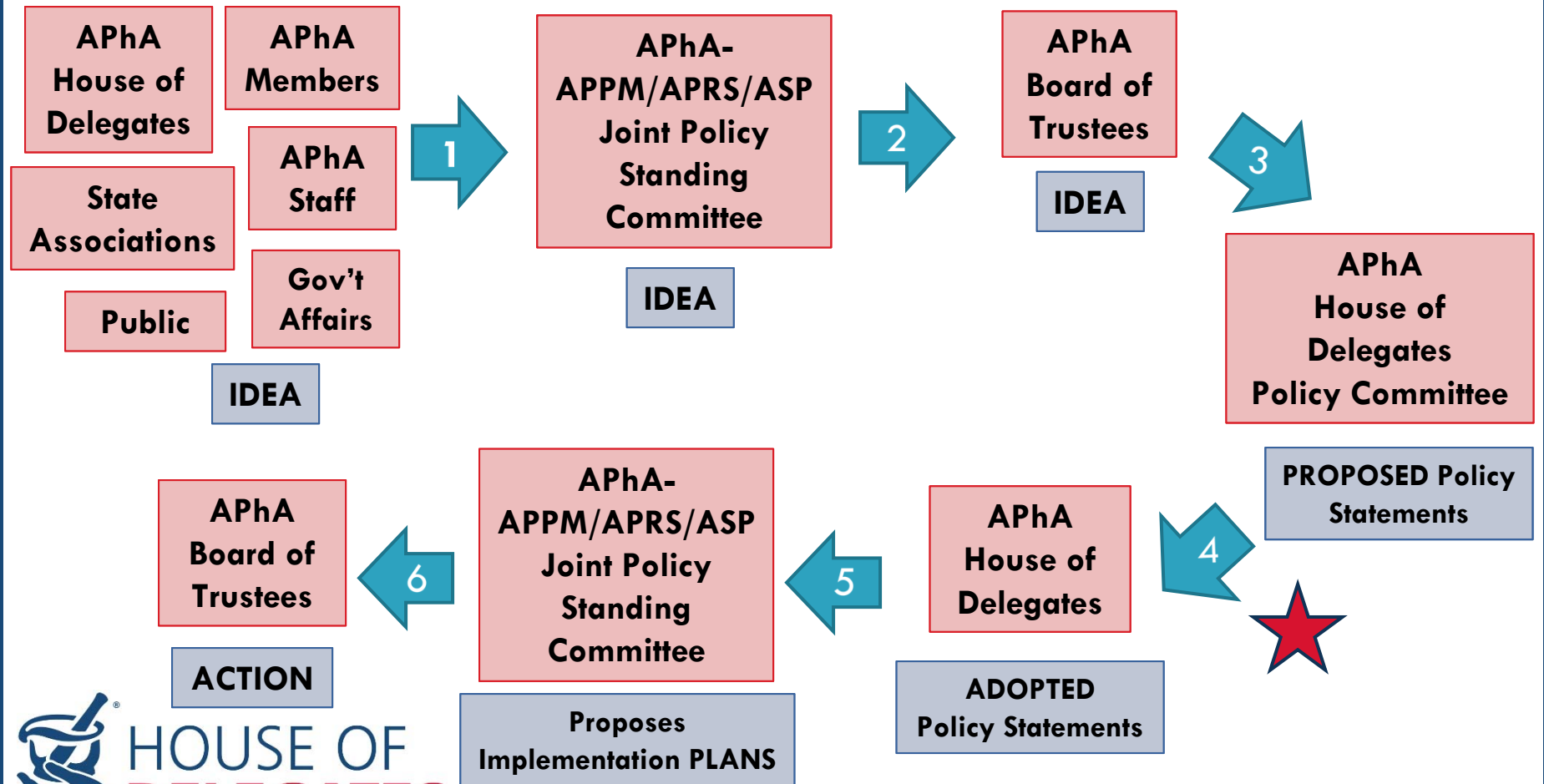
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Policy Process Roadmap

Transforming Ideas into Action



Current Policy Information

- Policy Manual
 - Online searchable database:
 - <http://www.pharmacist.com/policy-manual>
 - Online PDF version:
 - <http://pharmacist.com/sites/default/files/files/Current%20Adopted%20Policy%2016088.pdf>

2017 House of Delegates

- Committee of the Whole
 - Delegates & Non-delegates may speak
 - Open discussion
- House considers PRC report
 - Single vote cast by Delegates to pass complete report or suggested items are pulled from the full report
 - Single vote cast to pass remaining recommendations
 - Any items pulled from the full report are voted on separately
- Other specific recommendations pulled from the full report will be discussed separately

2017 Potential Recommendations

- Retain
- Amend
- Archive
- Rescind

Policy Review Committee Report

- Reviewed **70** policy statements
 - Recommend to Retain – **66**
 - Recommend to Amend (does not change intent) - **2**
 - Recommend to Archive – **2**
 - Recommend as New Business (Amend) – **1**
 - Recommend to Rescind – **none**

Policy Review Committee – Amend

Recommend to Amend (does not change intent) – ITEM #67

1982 Legislative Restrictions on **Therapeutic Clinical** Judgment

APhA opposes the enactment of legislation which would act to restrict the **therapeutic clinical** judgments of medical practitioners and other health professionals.

Policy Review Committee – Amend

Recommend to Amend (does not change intent) ITEM #68

2012 Contemporary Pharmacy Practice

1. APhA asserts that pharmacists should have the authority and support to practice to the full extent of their education, training, and experience in delivering patient care in all practice settings and activities.
2. APhA supports continuing efforts ~~toward that lead to the establishment of establishing~~ a consistent and accurate perception ~~by the public, lawmakers, regulators, and other health care professionals~~ of the ~~contemporary~~ role and ~~contemporary~~ practice of pharmacists ~~by the general public, patients, and all persons and institutions engaged in health care policy, administration, payment, and delivery.~~
3. APhA supports continued collaboration with stakeholders to facilitate adoption of standardized practice acts, appropriate related laws, and regulations that reflect contemporary pharmacy practice.
4. APhA supports the establishment of multistate pharmacist licensure agreements to address the evolving needs of the pharmacy profession and pharmacist-provided patient care.
5. APhA urges the ~~continued~~ development of consensus documents, in collaboration with medical associations and other stakeholders, that recognize and support pharmacists' roles in patient care as health care providers.
6. APhA urges universal recognition of pharmacists as health care providers and compensation based on the level of patient care provided using standardized and future health care payment models.

Policy Review Committee – Amend

Recommend to Amend

1982 Legislative Restrictions on Therapeutic Judgment

2012 Contemporary Pharmacy Practice

Time for Discussion

Policy Review Committee – Retain (Amend through New Business)

Recommend as New Business (Amend) ITEM #71

2001 Work Schedules

1. APhA supports a work environment in which innovative work schedules are available to pharmacists and encourages employers to allow meal breaks and rest periods.
2. APhA encourages employers to offer benefit packages that provide dependent-care benefits, including, but not limited to, flexible spending accounts, voucher systems, referral services, on-site dependent care, and negotiated discounts for use of day care facilities, to improve workforce conditions.

Policy Review Committee – Archive

Recommend to Archive ITEM #69

2012, 2007 Biologic Drug Products

1. APhA encourages the development of safe, effective, and affordable therapeutically equivalent generic/biosimilar versions of biologic drug products, including clinical trials that assess safety.
2. APhA encourages the FDA to develop a scientifically based process to approve therapeutically equivalent generic/biosimilar versions of biologic drug products.
3. APhA should actively support legislation to hasten the development of an efficient regulatory process to approve therapeutically equivalent generic versions of biologic drug products.

Policy Review Committee – Archive

Recommend to Archive ITEM #70

2012, 1995 Assuring Pharmacists' Continuing Competence in Contemporary Practice

1. APhA reaffirms its policy, adopted in 1975, which advocates that pharmacists maintain their professional competence throughout their professional careers.
2. APhA recommends that employers evaluate prospective and current pharmacist employees based on demonstrated competencies in patient care and experience, in addition to education.
3. APhA will develop and implement curricular-based continuing education programs leading to certificates of competence in patient care.
4. APhA will convene a task force to develop and implement a voluntary program which enables pharmacists to assess and improve their continuing professional competence.



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Policy Review Committee – **Archive**

Recommend to Archive

2012, 2007 Biologic Drug Products

**2012, 1995 Assuring Pharmacists'
Continuing Competence in Contemporary
Practice**

Time for Discussion

Policy Review Committee – Report

- Overall Discussion
 - ***Retain***
 - 66 statements
 - 1 statement (New Business Item)
 - ***Amend***
 - 2 statements
 - ***Archive***
 - 2 statements
 - ***Rescind***
 - 0 statements

Time for Discussion

House Keeping

- **New Business Items – Deadline Feb. 22nd**
- House Committee Reports available at www.pharmacist.com/apha-house-delegates
- Contact your state association or recognized national organization to secure your Delegate seat
- **All Delegate materials will be sent electronically this year unless you request a hard copy at this link:**
<https://fs3.formsite.com/apha/form249/index.html>
 - *A limited number of Delegate books will be available onsite*
 - Deadline was Feb. 15th to request a hard copy
- **New Business Item Webinars**
March 1, 12:00 – 1:30pm (ET)
March 8, 6:00 – 7:30pm (ET)

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2017 House of Delegates

House of Delegates First Session

Friday, March 24, 3:00 to 5:00pm

Policy Committee Open Hearing

Sunday, March 26, 1:00 to 3:00pm

Delegate Orientation Recording

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/6677378460300224513>

New Business Review Committee
Open Hearing

Saturday, March 25, 1:00 to 2:30pm

House of Delegates Final Session

Monday, March 27, 1:30 to 4:30pm

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Ideas for Future Policy Topics

- Are there topics we should consider for the 2018 House of Delegates?
 - These may be topics that need more development than through the new business process
 - Tell us now or send to HOD@aphanet.org



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Thank you for your time and attention!

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