



To: Board Members

Subject: Agenda Item VI. Presentation on Research Underway on Senate Bill 159 (Chapter 532, Statutes of 2019) related to HIV Preexposure and Postexposure Prophylaxis

Background

Senate Bill 159 established authority for a pharmacist who completes a training program approved by the Board to independently initiate and furnish HIV PrEP and PEP. Generally, under the provisions of the law the medications may be furnished in specified doses and under specific circumstances, as recommended by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

As required by the statute, the Board developed regulations specifying the criteria for the training program to be concluded approved by the Board as well the recordkeeping requirements for a pharmacist who completes the training program. The Board initially adopted emergency regulations, followed by the permanent regulation which became effective June 8, 2021.

Additionally, as allowed in the statute, on September 17, 2020, Board approved two additional medications that may be provided by a pharmacist pursuant to these provisions.

- PrEP – Approve tenofovir alafenamide (TAF) (25 mg) with emtricitabine (FTC) (200 mg) as a drug combination that can be initiated and furnished for preexposure prophylaxis (PrEP) by a pharmacist pursuant to the provisions of BPC 4052.02.
- PEP - Approve bicitegravir 50mg/emtricitabine 200mg/tenofovir alafenamide 25mg as a drug combination that can be initiated and furnished for postexposure prophylaxis (PEP) by a pharmacist pursuant to the provisions of BPC 4052.03.

For Board Consideration and Discussion

During the meeting members will receive a presentation on the CA Pharmacists Study research being conducted by several entities.

CA Pharmacists Study

Pharmacists-Furnished HIV Prevention and Reproductive
Health Services in California



Learn more at CaliforniaPharmacistStudy.com

Research conducted by



CALIFORNIA
HIV/AIDS POLICY
RESEARCH CENTERS

Berkeley Public Health

UCLA

School of Law
Center on Reproductive Health,
Law, and Policy

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Mixed Methods Study & AIMS

- Qualitative Study (N=30): Conduct semi-structured interviews (lasts approx. 60 min) with CA pharmacists on facilitators and barriers faced providing PrEP/PEP and hormonal contraception/medication abortion
- Quantitative Study (N=1,000): Survey CA pharmacists on their past experiences, knowledge, and preferred implementation models for sexual and reproductive health services provision.

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Recruitment & Outreach

Recruitment Strategy (Phased Recruitment)

- Qualitative Strand:
 - Phase 1: Work with project collaborators/partners who are pharmacists to outreach within their professional networks
 - Phase 2: Recruit from CA professional organizations
(Incentive for interview completed: \$150)
- Quantitative Strand:
 - Phase 1: Actively recruit practicing pharmacists from CA professional organizations (CPhA; CHSP)
 - Phase 2: CA-based Pharmacy schools
(Incentive for survey taken: \$20, weekly prize drawings and one grand prize)

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Outreach/Recruitment Sources & Methods

Main Sources for Outreach

- Pharmacists Professional Organizations
- Own professional/personal networks
- Schools of Pharmacies/Student groups

Main Methods

- Email Blasts to Org members
- Use of Org. social media platform (Facebook; Twitter; IG and org. website)
- Professional conferences (e.g., ACCP, CPHS)
- Word of Mouth/Personal Emails
- Other forms if needed

Recruitment/Media Packet will Include


- Email Blast template
- Social Media Messages (Approx. 3 different messages and 5 different images for up to 3 social media platforms)
- Individualized/Personal email template for own professional/Personal network



Expected Recruitment Activities

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- Email Blast to Org Members

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- Post Social Media recruitment messages

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- Send personalized email to own networks

To help with recruitment, are you willing to?

- Post about the study in your personal social media platforms (twitter; facebook; IG)?
- Post about the study in your professional social media platforms (if applicable)?
- Send an email (or two) to colleagues/friends who are CA pharmacists about our study?
- Send recruitment materials to other potential professional pharmacists' organizations/groups/networks
- Attend/work the booth of a state-wide CA pharmacists conference (provided it is within appropriate traveling distance)

ARE YOU A PHARMACIST?

Your participation is needed in an HIV prevention & contraception provision research study!



You are eligible for the survey if you are a pharmacist in California.

You will receive a \$20 gift card! You also have a chance to win new AirPods, an iPhone, or an iPad through weekly prize drawings!

Participation in the study is not required in order to participate in the drawing.

For questions, contact Project Coordinator
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Learn more at
CaliforniaPharmacistStudy.com

or scan this link to go directly to the survey



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