



**COMPOUNDING:  
PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE**

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# COMPOUNDING COMPETENCY



# WHERE DO I START?

Be well informed with increased awareness

Have thorough understanding of patient risks

Cultivate practical abilities

# HISTORY OF COMPOUNDING

## Early 1900's

- *Traditional extemporaneous compounding dominated pharmacy practice*

## 1945 – 1970s

- *Increase in industrial pharmaceutical manufacturing*
- *Academic instruction slowly decreased in pharmacy schools*
- *FDA became concerned about injury and death of patients*

## 1980s – 2000s

- *A resurgence of extemporaneous compounding*
- *Several incidents of injury and deaths occurred from contaminated CSPs*
- *Inadequate quality control standards*
- *Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997*

## 2001 - Present

- *Many schools still do not offer any didactic or practical education in sterile and non-sterile compounding*
- *Primarily knowledge introduced during on the job training*
- *Sterile and nonsterile compounding standards enforced*



# FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION MODERNIZATION ACT OF 1997

- Pharmacists compound nonsterile and/or sterile medications for patient if medications meet USP standards
- State boards of pharmacy oversee compounding pharmacies
- Other professional organizations work with state boards to ensure compounding quality, safety: USP, IACP, APhA, ASHP, NCPA
- Compounding commercially available product is prohibited
- Compounding pharmacies not required to follow current good manufacturing practices, adhere to product labeling, or submit drug approval applications
- If community pharmacy sells to healthcare professionals or out-of-state pharmacy, must apply for manufacturing license

# ENFORCEABLE COMPOUNDING STANDARDS

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# WHAT IS COMPOUNDING?

- An ESSENTIAL element of pharmacy
- Preparing customized medications that are not otherwise commercially available.
- Performed by or under the supervision of a pharmacist
- Pursuant to an order from a licensed prescriber for an individual



# TYPES OF COMPOUNDING

## Sterile



- Medications prepared in cleanroom environment
- Uses aseptic technique to prepare solutions free of microorganisms
- Mainly parenteral and ophthalmic preparations

## Nonsterile



- Medications not prepared in a cleanroom but a clean environment
- Sterile techniques are not required
- Mainly capsules, solutions, suspensions, ointments, creams, and suppositories



# REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

## New England Compounding Center

- Tainted steroid injections
- 750 fungal infections
- 64 deaths
- Causes



## Board of Pharmacy



## Drug Quality and Security Act

## *USP <795> Non Sterile Preparations*

# ROLE OF UNITED STATES PHARMACOPEIAL (USP)

- Scientific non profit organization that **sets standards for identity, strength, quality and purity of medications, food ingredients and dietary supplements manufactured, distributed and consumed** worldwide
- **No enforcement or regulatory authority**
- Guidelines are **enforceable** under the law
  - State Boards of Pharmacy
  - The FDA
  - The Joint Commission (TJC)





# STATE BOARDS OF PHARMACY REGULATORY OVERSIGHT

- USP <797> (2004), first enforceable national compounding standard of practice, revised 2008
- USP <795> (2011), revised 2014
- All states license pharmacists to compound
- All states have adopted USP 795 as the baseline for safe and legal nonsterile compounding. In short, adhering to USP 795 standards puts pharmacists and technicians on the right sides of health care practice and the law.
- Varying degrees of regulations, oversight and enforcement of compounding practices exists among the states for sterile compounding
  - 32 states require full compliance with USP 797
  - 11 states have strong standards with 10 classified as “equivalent to or stricter than”
  - 6 states and District of Columbia require other compounding quality standards
    - Includes Pennsylvania, for example, traditional pharmacies must adhere to compounding quality standards, though the standards do not specify minimum equipment or facility requirements for compounding, a key component of Chapter
  - 1 state, Kansas, does not impose any particular compounding quality standards.

The Pew Charitable Trusts, “Best Practices for State Oversight of Drug Compounding” (2018), [http://www.pewtrusts.org/~media/assets/2018/02/best\\_practices\\_for-state\\_oversight\\_of\\_drug\\_compounding.pdf](http://www.pewtrusts.org/~media/assets/2018/02/best_practices_for-state_oversight_of_drug_compounding.pdf)

# DRUG QUALITY AND SECURITY ACT

- Signed into law November 27, 2013 by President Obama
- The Drug Quality and Security Act is a law that amended the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to grant the Food and Drug Administration more authority to regulate and monitor the manufacturing of compounded drugs.
- 503A
- 503B



# NONSTERILE COMPOUNDING

- Typically extemporaneous (prepared for specific prescription for a specific patient)
- Hospice medications
  - Patients have difficulty swallowing tablets
- Veterinary medication
  - Alterations for size and breed
  - AVMA publishes “Guideline for Veterinary Prescription Drugs”



# NONSTERILE COMPOUNDING

Three levels of complexity:

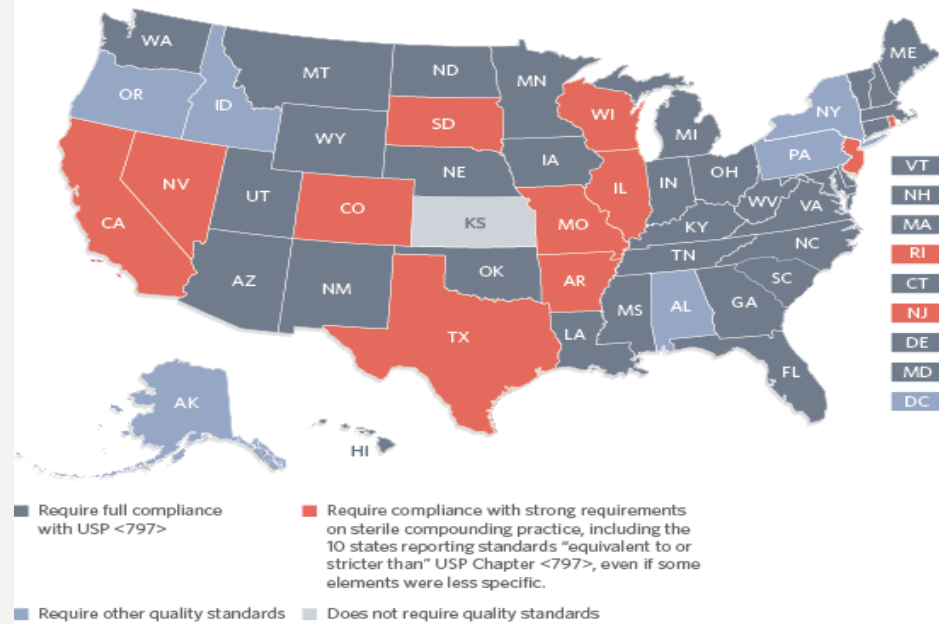
Simple	Moderate	Complex
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reconstituting and combining commercial products following USP monograph instructions or peer-reviewed article instructions</li><li>• No unknown calculations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Requires some special calculations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Requires special calculations, decision-making, training, procedures, equipment, environment</li></ul>



# COMPLIANCE WITH COMPOUNDING STANDARDS STERILE AND NON-STERILE

## STERILE

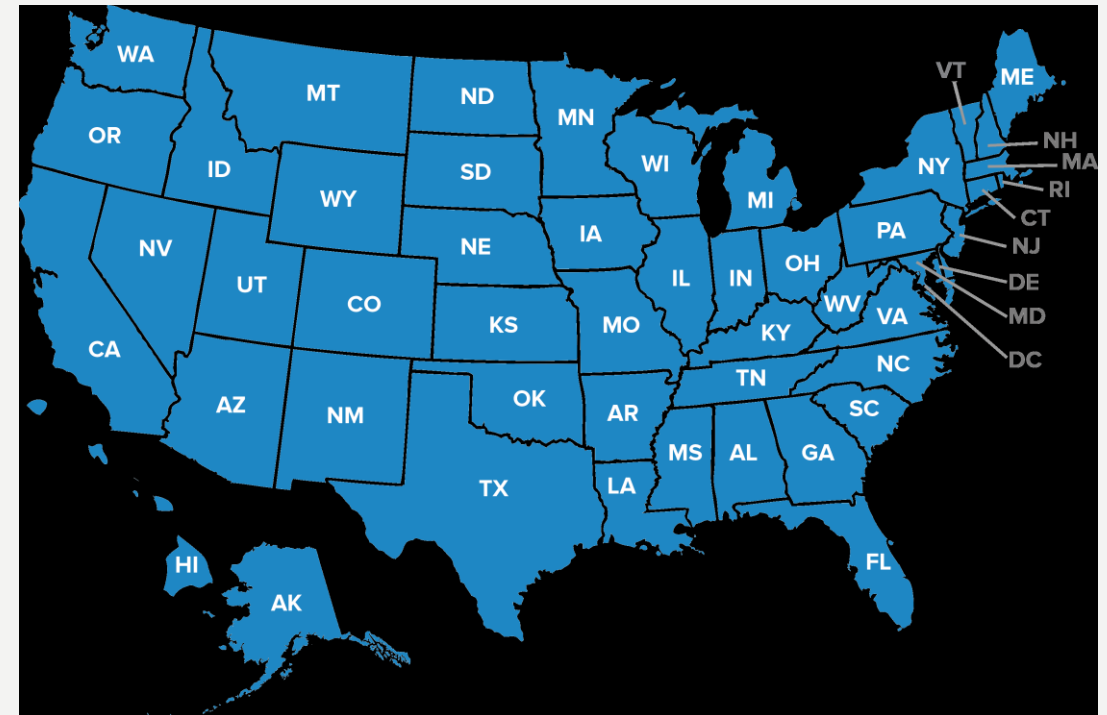
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## NON-STERILE



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# ACCREDITATION

- Accreditation provides competitive edge in the marketplace
- Voluntary accreditation through the Pharmacy Compounding Accreditation Board (PCAB), ACHC
- Pharmacy must agree to meet all standards for sterile and nonsterile compounding
- Includes monthly or quarterly spot check
  - Random product sent to outside lab for analysis
  - Product must be +/-2% of potency
  - Any corrective action must be documented and dated by pharmacist
  - Compounding pharmacies must have continue quality improvement (CQI) process to identify and resolve any problems

# ENSURING PROPER COMPOUNDING TECHNIQUES

- Properly identifying all nonsterile compounding being done
- Categorizing nonsterile compounds
  - Simple, Moderate, or Complex
- Personnel requirements
  - Supervisor and compounders
- Facility requirements
  - Nonhazardous or Hazardous
- Component Selection
  - USP-NF Compendium
- Compounding practices
  - Selecting, storing, compounding, dispensing, monitoring the patient
- Packaging and Storage
  - Meet USP requirements
- Documentation
  - Policies and procedures
  - Safety data sheets
  - Master formulation records
  - Compounding records
- Quality Assurance Plan



# RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH COMPOUNDING

- Patient Safety
- Accuracy
- Appropriate dosage forms
- Drug efficacy
- Compounder safety

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