




Update on Controlled Substance Diversion


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1850s--Bureau of Habit Forming Drugs
1919--Department of Narcotic Drug Control
1933--Bureau of Narcotic Control
1972--Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement
1985--Bureau of Controlled Substances
2004--Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement

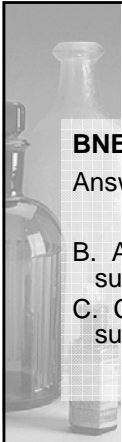




Question 1

BNE's mission is to:

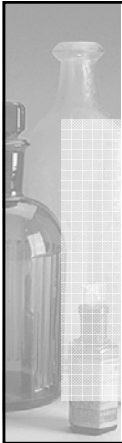
- A. Prevent controlled substance prescribing
- B. Allow legitimate use of controlled substances
- C. Combat illegal use of controlled substances
- D. B & C



Question 1--Answer


BNE's mission is to:
Answer is D. B & C

- B. Allow legitimate use of controlled substances
- C. Combat illegal use of controlled substances



BNE's Mission

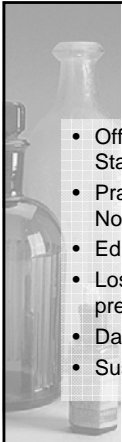
- Allow Legitimate Use of Controlled Substances
- Combat Illegal Use of Controlled Substances



Introduction to BNE

Three Main Sections:

- Official Prescription Program
- Education, Outreach and Diversion Prevention
- Narcotic Investigation & Enforcement



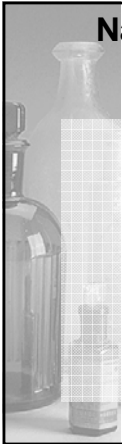
Overview

- Official New York State Prescription
- Practitioner Notification Programs
- Education/Outreach
- Lost /stolen prescriptions
- Data analysis
- Suspicious purchases
- Investigations—civil and criminal
- Licensing
- Inspections
- Drug Destructions
- Regional Offices



Controlled Substance Abuse: Trends and Monitoring

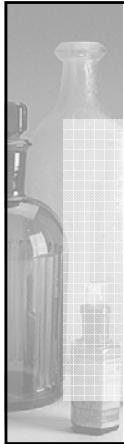
- Nationwide Statistics
- NYS Statistics



National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH)

Non- Medical Use

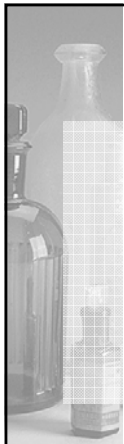
- NOT PRESCRIBED TO YOU
- YOU TOOK THE DRUG ONLY FOR THE EXPERIENCE OR FEELING IT CAUSED



National Statistics



State Statistics




Question 2

Generic drugs are much more valuable than brand-name drugs on the street.

A. True


B. False



Question 2--Answer

Generic drugs are much more valuable than brand-name drugs on the street.


Answer:
B. False



Prescription Drug Abuse

Street Drugs vs Prescription Drugs

- Better Potency
- Consistency
- Purity
- Availability
- Resale Value
- Less Risk of HIV/Hepatitis
- Perception of Lawfulness



Value of Street Drugs

- **Dependent on several factors**
 - Onset of actions-**FAST**
 - Intensity of effect-**HIGH**
 - Duration of action-**SHORT**
 - Administration- **IV/SNORTING**
 - Brand Name vs Generic

Street Prices of Controlled Substances

(per tablet)

- Hydromorphone- \$50-\$100
- Valium-\$2.00-\$6.00
- Alprazolam-\$2.00
- Methadone - \$1.00/mg (spit back less)
- Secobarbital-\$6.00
- Methylphenidate-\$4.00-\$8.00
- Hydrocodone-\$1.00-\$5.00
- Oxycodone- \$20.00- \$80.00 (\$1.00/mg)

SCAMS


• DRUG SCAMS

- DENTIST ON CALL
- PHONY OFFICER criminals posing as...law enforcement personnel call the victims who in most cases previously purchased drugs over the Internet or via telepharmacies inform the victims that purchasing drugs over the Internet or the telephone is illegal and that law enforcement action will be pursued unless a fine...is paid

Question 3

Narcotic Investigations in the institutional setting focus on

- A. Nurses
- B. Physicians
- C. Pharmacists
- D. All of the above

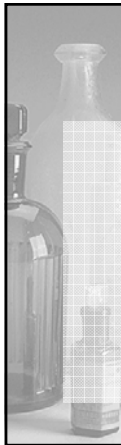


Question 3--Answer

Narcotic Investigations in the institutional setting focus on


Answer:

D. All of the above—Nurses, Physicians and Pharmacists




Narcotic Investigations

- Trafficking
 - Unlawful Sale of Drugs & Prescriptions
 - Forgery Rings
 - Doctor Shoppers
- Impairment
 - Impairment of Practitioners, Pharmacists, Nurses, Technicians, EMT



Narcotic Investigations

- Institutional Diversion
 - Thefts
 - False Entries in Patient Charts
 - Drug Substitution
 - Automatic Dispensing Systems




Institutional Diversion

- How does this affect the institutional practitioner?
- What have we seen?



Institutional Diversion

- Nurses
- Pharmacists
- Physicians
- Not limited to the above



Curtailing Abuse, Misuse & Diversion


- Official New York State Prescriptions
- Statutory & Regulatory Requirements
- Practitioner Notification Program
- Education & Outreach

Official Prescription



- Heat Sensitive Ink
- Copy Protection
- Bar Coded Serial Number

Official Prescription Patient Safety Feature




Prescribers—prevent medical errors!
Complete box below for treatment category.
Questions, please call the NYS Official Prescription Program at 866-811-7957 (Option 2)

Cardiovascular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gastrointestinal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Antibiotic/ Anti-Infective	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pain/ Inflammation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cough/Cold	<input type="checkbox"/>
Respiratory	<input type="checkbox"/>
Central Nervous System	<input type="checkbox"/>
Genital/ Urology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Endocrine	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Official Prescriptions


**“Street Value”
\$300.00/ Prescription**





Data Analysis


- Assist with programs
- Assist with identifying trends and problem areas



Question 4

The on-line practitioner notification program allows prescribers to


- A. See all possible drug interactions their patients may be experiencing
- B. Keep tabs on their neighbor's controlled substance use
- C. Notify their patients of new controlled substances to market
- D. View their own patient's recent controlled substance history



Question 4--Answer


The on-line practitioner notification program allows prescribers to

- D. View their own patient's recent controlled substance history




Practitioner Notification Program Goals

- Deter diversion and abuse of controlled substances
- Inform practitioners when their patients are obtaining controlled substances from multiple practitioners in a 30 day period
- Provide information to practitioners on rehabilitation treatment




Practitioner Notification Program


- **Manual or Unsolicited Program**
Letters alert practitioners of potential "Doctor Shoppers"
- **On-line Program**
Secure on-line access to patient's recent controlled substance history



Practitioner Notification Program Map 2009



Prevalent Drugs PNP-2009



Profile of a “Doctor Shopper”

- 31 YO Male
- 6 Addresses
- 20 Prescribers
- 20 Pharmacies
- 32 Prescriptions

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**Official Prescription Program
Practitioner Notification**

Confidential
Patient Drug Utilization Profile Report

Patient Name: *31 year old male*
 Date of Birth: *1977*
 Report #: *6 addresses, 20 prescribers (2 no. rx), 20 pharmacies, 32 scripts*
 Practitioner: _____
 DEA #: _____

Controlled substance prescriptions issued <u>by you</u> and dispensed in March 2008				
Date RX Dispensed	Controlled Substance	Quantity Dispensed	Days Supply	
2008-03-24	HYDROCODONE	20	5	
2008-03-24	HYDROCODONE	20	5	
2008-03-27	OXYCODONE	12	3	
2008-03-30	HYDROCODONE	20	5	

Controlled substance prescriptions issued <u>by other practitioners</u> and dispensed in March 2008				
Date RX Dispensed	Controlled Substance	Quantity Dispensed	Days Supply	
2008-03-03	HYDROCODONE	30	15	
2008-03-05	HYDROCODONE	24	4	
2008-03-05	HYDROCODONE	6	2	
2008-03-06	HYDROCODONE	15	2	
2008-03-06	HYDROCODONE	10	3	
2008-03-07	HYDROCODONE	20	3	
2008-03-08	HYDROCODONE	10	2	
2008-03-10	HYDROCODONE	6	1	
2008-03-11	HYDROCODONE	12	3	
2008-03-11	HYDROCODONE	8	1	
2008-03-12	HYDROCODONE	12	3	
2008-03-13	HYDROCODONE	20	3	



**TELL your doctor...
it's THE LAW!**

If you are taking a controlled substance prescribed by a doctor, you must tell every other doctor you visit.

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Thank You!
