# Advancing the Practice of Pharmacy

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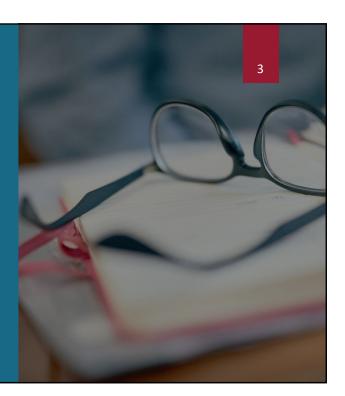
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# Learning Objectives

At the completion of this activity, pharmacists and pharmacy technicians will be able to:

- State key policies, procedures, and guidelines from the Indian Health Manual
- Outline actionable steps for implementing national I/T/U policies at the local level
- Describe collaborative initiatives that maximize the scope of practice of each pharmacy team member



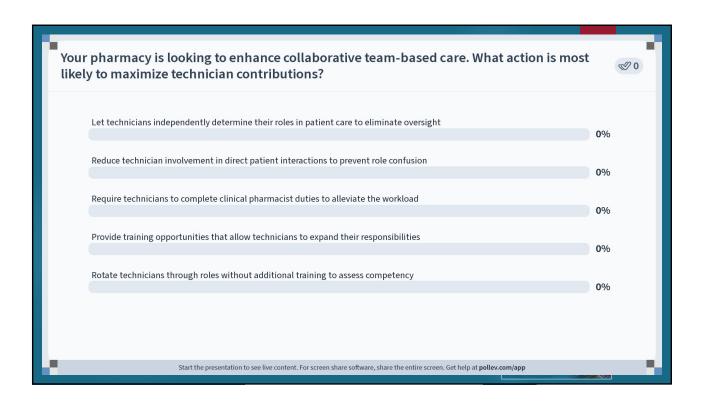
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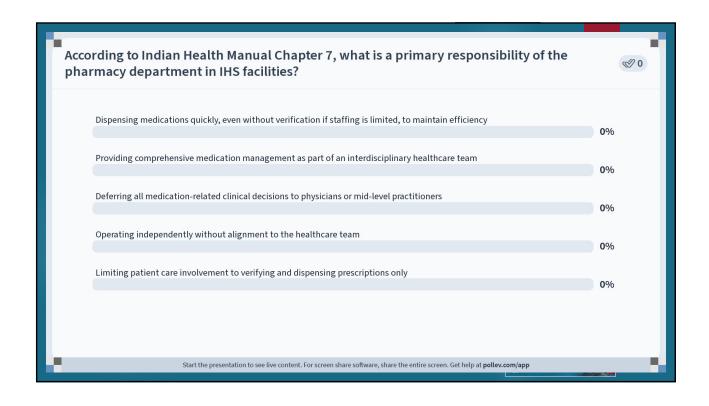
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Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians in IHS, Tribal, and Urban Indian Health settings face challenges in implementing national policies, optimizing workflows, and maximizing their roles in patient care. Limited access to training, workforce shortages, and administrative burdens hinder efficiency and limit pharmacists' clinical impact. Further, pharmacy technicians are often underutilized, despite opportunities to expand their responsibilities and support pharmacists. A thorough understanding and consistent implementation of the Indian Health Manual and national initiatives will have a positive impact on advancing the practice of pharmacy in our communities.



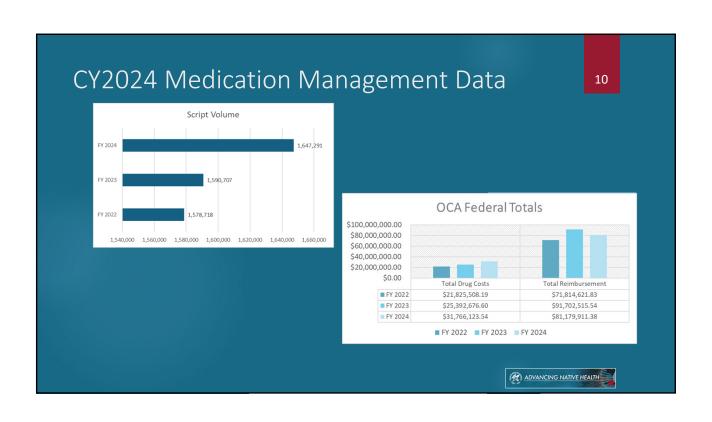


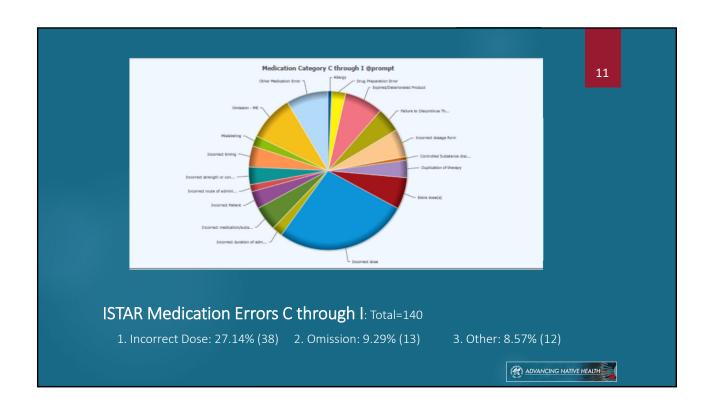




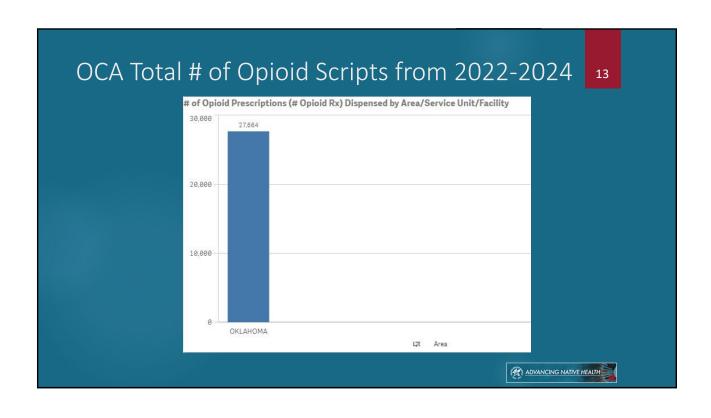


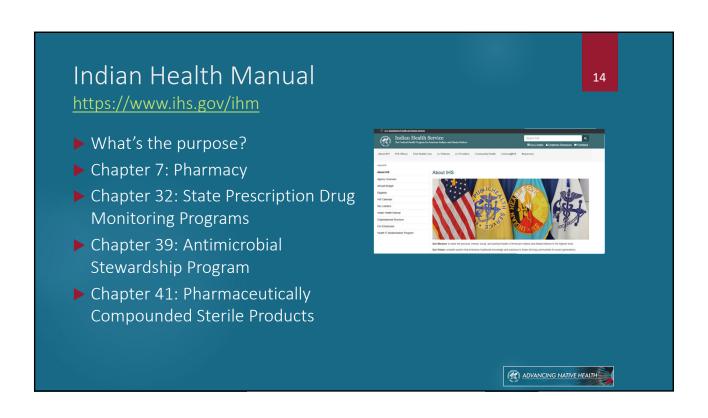








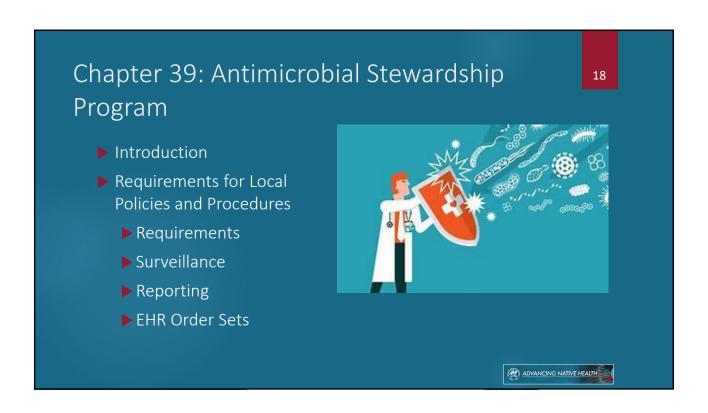




# Chapter 7: Pharmacy Annual Pharmacy Program Review Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee Inventory Management Pharmacy Security Pharmacy Service Quality Assurance and Improvement

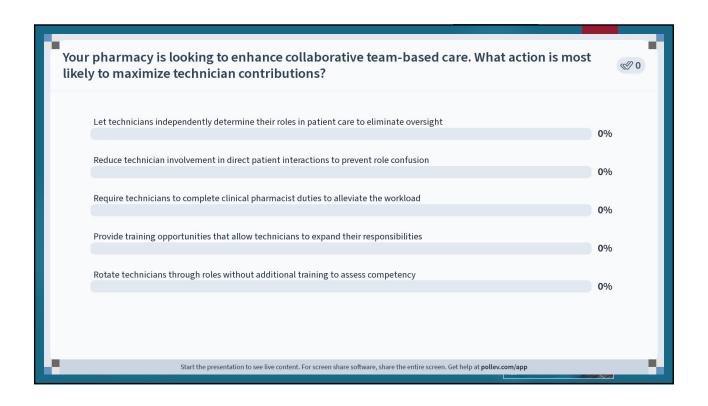


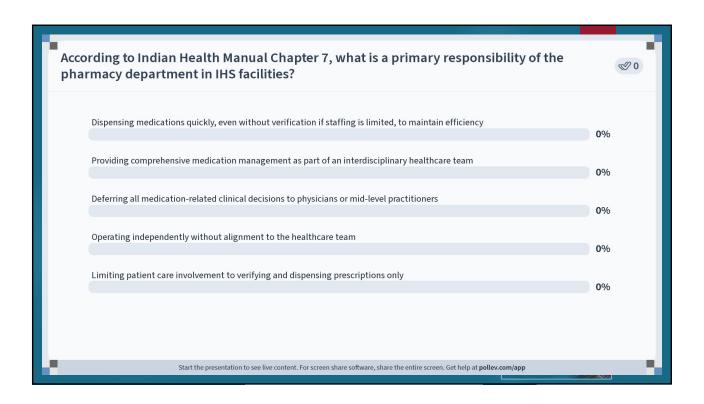












### Conclusion and Clinical Pearls

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- ► The IHS, an agency within HHS, is responsible for providing federal health service to American Indians and Alaska Natives.
- ▶ The Indian Health Manual is the foundation to our local policies and procedures. The importance of following these guidelines will help push us into the future of pharmacy as we fulfill the IHS mission.
- ▶ Pharmacies and pharmacy staff offer the perfect position in healthcare to provide education and support in reducing risk and harm in the war against opioid overdose, medication errors, immunizations and chronic disease state management.





### Additional Resources and References

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