

National Association of Specialty Pharmacy 2016 Annual Meeting in Partnership with Sponsor Avella Launch Mobile Meeting App

Fourth Annual Meeting to Kickoff September 26th-28th in Washington, D.C.

Washington, D.C. – The <u>National Association of Specialty Pharmacy (NASP)</u> will convene its fourth annual meeting from Sept. 26 to Sept. 28 in Washington, D.C., kicking off with the industry's first-ever Legal Day, and followed by a two-day discussion with senior healthcare executives and Congressman Earl "Buddy" Carter (GA-1) on the rapidly growing industry (full agenda <u>here</u>).

Proud sponsor Avella, is excited to launch the 2016 NASP Annual Meeting mobile app, now available for iOS and Android. The app is designed to help attendees of the NASP Annual Meeting and first annual NASP Legal Day get the most out of the upcoming conference.

With numerous speakers, panel discussions and Members of Congress taking part in the exciting two-day conference, the mobile app will help conference goers stay connected with each other and also stay connected to connected to industry trends. With the help of the NASP Annual Meeting App, attendees are able to:

- $_{\odot}\,$ Create a profile and connect with other attendees
- View the full conference schedule
- $_{\odot}\,$ Learn more about the meeting speakers, moderators and panelists
- $_{\odot}\,$ Navigate the Omni Shoreham Hotel and Washington, DC area
- Receive instant updates and notifications related to the conference

NASP conference attendees will also be able post their comments on various panels, rate and review speakers and share photos creating a truly interactive event.

Specialty pharmacy (SRx) provides medications to treat patients with serious, chronic, rare, progressive, or debilitating or fatal if left untreated or undertreated. Examples of these illnesses include cancer, hepatitis C, infectious disease, infertility, Crohn's disease, rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, HIV/AIDS, multiple sclerosis, Cystic Fibrosis, organ transplantation, human growth hormone deficiencies, hemophilia, and other bleeding disorders. According to the Drug Channels Institute and other sources, specialty pharmacy drugs will represent 44% of the U.S. drug spend by the year 2020.

The conference will commence on Sept. 26 with the sold-out Legal Day, drawing more than 250 practicing lawyers in the health care space who have previously been unable to receive Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits specific to their area of practice. Attendees can obtain 8 to 9.5 credit hours, including an ethics credit, as required by most states. The next two days will feature 30 educational sessions, along with dedicated exhibits and networking time in a compact format for SRx leaders to maximize their time in Washington, D.C.

NASP was founded in 2012 and is the only national trade association that represents Specialty Pharmacy (SRx), serving as the leading educational resource and national advocate for SRx healthcare professionals and patients alike.

In addition to providing medications to severely ill patients, SRx also features support programs and services to ensure patients maximize the benefit from their medication, therapies and services, working to ease the treatment burden for patients, families and caregivers as they work to manage these tough conditions.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

U.S. Congressman Earl "Buddy" Carter (GA-1) Specialty Pharmacy & National Policy

Martin Mattei, Vice President, Clinical Product Innovation, MedImpact Healthcare Systems, Inc.

A Prospective on Pharmacy Benefit Management: The Rise & Role of Specialty Pharmacy

Douglas Long, Vice President, IMS Institute for Healthcare Informatics The Specialty Pharmacy Industry Report

WHERE: Omni Shoreham Hotel | 2500 Calvert St. NW, Washington, D.C.

WHEN: Monday, Sept. 26 – Wednesday, Sept. 28

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