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Harm Reduction Toolkit for Non-Prescription Syringe Sales in Community Pharmacies

Attachment 6

Pre-test Survey

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Thank you for agreeing to participate in the Pharmacy-Based Harm Reduction Study. Please complete this survey about you and your experiences with non-prescription syringe sale.

Your responses on this survey are confidential and your answers will have no impact on your employment. While we require you input your email address here, this is only so we can connect your survey with your participant ID number. Once we have connected your survey and your participant ID, your email will be disconnected from the survey.

If you have any questions about this survey or the broader study, you can contact Lane Edwards at <u>lane.edwards@dfusioninc.com</u>

Demographics:

- 1. Email address
- 2. Gender Identity (Select all that apply)
 - a. Woman
 - b. Man
 - c. Non-binary
 - d. Transgender
 - e. Prefer to self-described (please specify): _____
 - f. Prefer not to respond
- 3. Age (short answer)
- 4. Race (select all that apply)
 - a. American Indian or Alaska Native
 - b. Asian
 - c. Black or African American
 - d. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 - e. White

5. Ethnicity?

- a. Hispanic or Latino
- b. Not Hispanic or Latino

6. Please list the name(s) of the pharmacy or pharmacies at which you currently are employed (short answer)

7. What is your position at the pharmacy? (Select all that apply)

- a. Head pharmacist/pharmacist in charge
- b. Pharmacist
- c. Assistant pharmacist
- d. Pharmacy technician
- e. Pharmacy cashier
- f. Pharmacy intern
- g. Other (write in)

8. How many years have you been employed as pharmacy staff (short answer)

Knowledge and attitude:

9. People with drug problems who are not willing to accept abstinence as their goal should be offered options that aim to reduce the harm associated with their continued drug use.

12345Strongly AgreeAgreeNeitherDisagreeStrongly Disagree

10. Making clean injecting equipment available to injecting drug users is likely to reduce the rate of HIV infection.

12345Strongly AgreeAgreeNeitherDisagreeStrongly Disagree

11. Abstinence is the only acceptable treatment goal for people who use illicit drugs.

1	2	3	4	5
Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither	Disagree	Strongly Disagree

12. State NPSS law – please select all options that you believe apply to the state's law in which your pharmacy is located regarding the sale on non-prescription syringes by pharmacy staff (select all that apply)

- a) Non-prescription syringe sale explicitly permitted
- c) There are no specific laws in my state explicitly addressing NPSS
- e) Upon sale, personnel must provide written information on the prevention of bloodborne disease, drug treatment, and safe disposal of syringes.
- g) A sharps container must be distributed with every syringe purchase

- b) Non-prescription syringe sale is explicitly forbidden
- d) Personnel are required to ask the purpose of the syringe use
- f) Non-prescription syringe sale is permitted if a legitimate medical need has been demonstrated (could include the prevention of the transmission of communicable diseases)
- Personnel are required to keep a log with the information about the purchase and purchaser

- i) Purchasers must show valid photo ID
- k) Pharmacists must report if they think syringes will be used for illegal drug use.
- j) Only individuals 18 or older can be sold nonprescription syringes
- Only specific pharmacy staff (such as pharmacists) may complete NPSS sales.
- m) Up to 10 syringes can be sold at a time
- n) Other (write in)

13. Has a pharmacy staff member ever been held civilly or criminally liable for selling a syringe to someone who used it for injecting drugs?

- 14.
- a. Yes
- b. No

14. Did your pharmacy provide you with any information regarding your states NPSS laws?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Other (write in)

15. According to research, does access to non-prescription syringes increase rates of drug use?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. I don't know

16. Does your pharmacy participate in non-prescription syringe sale?

- a. Pharmacy staff are expected to provide non-prescription syringes to all customers seeking them
- b. Pharmacy staff are permitted, but not expected, to provide non-prescription syringes to all customers seeking them
- c. Pharmacy staff have not been informed of expectations regarding the prevision of non-prescription syringes to customers seeking them
- d. Pharmacy staff are discouraged, but not forbidden, to provide non-prescription syringes to all customers seeking them
- e. Pharmacy staff are forbidden from providing non-prescription syringes to all customers seeking them
- f. Other (write in)

17. What is your opinion on pharmacies selling non-prescription syringes to people who use injection drugs?

1	2	3	4	5

Strongly Opposed Opposed Neither In favor Strongly in favor

18. What are your feelings about personally selling Non-Prescription Syringe Sale to people who use injection drugs?

12345Strongly OpposedOpposedNeitherSupportiveStrongly Supportive

19. Indicate your perception of your level of ability to sell non-prescription syringes:

1	2	3	4	5
No level of	Low level of	Average level of	Moderately high	High level of
competence	competence	competence	level of	competence
			competence	

20. Indicate your level of experience with non-prescription syringes:

 1
 2
 3
 4
 5

 No experience
 Little
 Some
 Substantial experience
 Extensive

 experience
 experience
 experience
 experience

 21.
 Indicate your comfort level completing sales to people you believe to be illegal drug

 users:

1	2	3	4	5
Very	Slightly	Neutral	Comfortable	Very
uncomfortable	uncomfortable			comfortable

Think of your last three non-prescription syringe customers, how do you think these customers would review your interaction.

22. Your professionalism out of five stars:

- a. 1 star
- b. 2 stars
- c. 3 stars
- d. 4 stars
- e. 5 stars

23. Your friendliness out of five stars:

- a. 1 star
- b. 2 stars
- c. 3 stars
- d. 4 stars

- e. 5 stars
- 24. Your respectfulness out of five stars:
- a. 1 star
- b. 2 stars
- c. 3 stars
- d. 4 stars
- e. 5 stars
- 25. Your comfort with the transaction out of 5 stars:
- a. 1 star
- b. 2 stars
- c. 3 stars
- d. 4 stars
- e. 5 stars
- 26. How often do you personally sell non-prescription syringes?
- a. At least once a day
- b. At least once a week
- c. At least once a month
- d. At least once every 3 months
- e. At least once a year
- f. Never
- 27. What's the most uncomfortable element for you about doing NPSS sales? (fill in)

Short Answer Scenario:

Please review the following scenario and provide a step-by-step description of how you would handle the following non-prescription syringe sale.

Here is an example of the step-by-step description we are looking for a concierge at a hotel:

You are working at the front desk of your hotel; a man approaches the front desk with his luggage. Please describe how you would handle the situation:

- 0 Welcome the guest to the hotel and ask them for the name for their reservation
- 0 Find their reservation in the system
- 0 Confirm the details of the reservation with the guest
- 0 Describe the hotel amenities and rules
- 0 Give the guest their room key and directions to the room

- 0 Offer to help them with their luggage and make necessary arrangements
- 0 ask them if they need anything else, and if they do, help them with whatever they needed.
- 0 If they need nothing else, tell them to contact the front desk if they need anything, and wish them a nice stay.
- 0 leave and return to the front desk

28. Present a short video scenario in which an individual comes into the pharmacy and asks to buy some syringes

(short answer, advance to next page)

29. Present a short video scenario in which an individual asks for bee stingers (slang for a specific syringe size).

(short answer, advance to next page)

30. Present a short video scenario for pharmacist in which they are giving a consultation and the individual indicates they may want to seek treatment (short answer – pharmacist only) (short answer, advance to next page)

32. How much do your procedures responding to these scenarios differ from other staff in the pharmacy?

- a. Greatly
- b. Moderately
- c. Slightly
- d. Not at all
- e. I don't know

Distribution data

33. Please describe any posted signage or materials regarding NPSS in your pharmacy (short answer)

34. In the past week, how many non-prescription syringes sales did you personally process?) (fill in #)

35. In the past week, how many injection drug use related consultations did you personally provide? (fill in #)

36. In the past week, how many injection drug use related referrals did you personally make? (fill in #)