



## 2025 APhA Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery Certificate Training Program - Pharmacists

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#### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

APhA's Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery certificate training program is based on national educational standards for immunization training from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This practice-based curriculum represents a fusion of science and clinical pharmacy. The program, which emphasizes a health care team approach, seeks to foster the implementation of interventions that will promote disease prevention and public health. The purpose of this certificate training program is to prepare pharmacists with comprehensive knowledge, skills, and resources necessary to provide immunization services to patients across the life span.

The registration fee for this program is \$400.

Following registration, participants will have access to course instructions, updates, presentations, webinar link, program evaluation, CE certificates and credits, etc. **This program is approved for 20 ACPE Contact Hours**, **2 CEUs**. Once credit is awarded, transcripts will be available online within 24 hours on the learner's CPE Monitor profile at <a href="http://nabp.pharmacy/">http://nabp.pharmacy/</a>.

The Office of Alumni and Professional Affairs -Continuing Education strongly encourages each participant to check their profile online within 60 days of attendance to ensure credit has been awarded properly. ACPE will not accept CE submissions after 60 days from the live seminar date.

This program is offered as an approved provider with APhA.

#### TARGET AUDIENCE

This knowledge-based program is intended for Pharmacists (ACPE) seeking immunization certification.

#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Educate pharmacists about the impact of vaccines on public health, pharmacists' role in immunization, immunologic principles of vaccine development and immunizations, vaccine preventable diseases and the vaccines used to prevent them, strategies for improving immunization rates, and requirements for pharmacists who provide immunization services.
- Prepare pharmacists to read an immunization schedule and identify appropriate vaccines for individuals
  across the life span and with special needs, educate patients about the benefits of vaccines and dispel myths
  about vaccines, safely administer vaccines to patients via subcutaneous, intramuscular, intranasal, and
  intradermal routes, operate an immunization service in compliance with legal and regulatory standards,
  and partner with immunization stakeholders to promote immunizations and the immunization
  neighborhood.
- Direct pharmacists to resources necessary to promote public health through immunizations, access regularly updated information about vaccines and their use, effectively communicate with patients and other stakeholders about resources, and operate an immunization service in compliance with legal and regulatory standards.

#### **ACTIVITY COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS**

To obtain 20.0 contact hours of CPE credit (2.0 CEUs) for *APhA's Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery* certificate training program, the learner must have an updated APhA <u>My Account, CPE & License Information</u> BEFORE completing the home-study course, and completing the live components listed above. Participants will need to have a valid APhA (pharmacist.com) username and password, as well as a <u>CPE Monitor</u> account to obtain credit. After credit has been earned, please visit CPE monitor for your transcript. The Certificate of Achievement will be available online upon successful completion of the necessary activity requirements on the participant's <u>My Training</u> page. Please email <a href="mailto:hcopce@auburn.edu">hcopce@auburn.edu</a> with any questions.

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Faculty disclosures will also be included on an introductory slide during the presentation. Lea Eiland and Jeanna Sewell have no actual or potential conflict of interest in relation to this program.

#### ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

The American Pharmacists Association is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education. *APhA's Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery* certificate training program is approved for a total of 20.0 contact hours of continuing pharmacy education (CPE) credit (2.0 CEUs). The ACPE Universal Activity Numbers (UAN) for this activity are listed below.

Successful completion of the home-study component involves completing each activity and passing the home-study assessments with a grade of 70% or higher and will result in 12 contact hours of CPE credit (1.2 CEUs).

ACPE UAN: 0202-0000-23-154-H06-P

Successful completion of the live session component involves attending the full live seminar, successfully completing & uploading the injection technique assessment, completing the online assessment with a grade of 70% or higher and evaluations. Successful completion of this component will result in 8 contact hours of CPE credit (0.8 CEU).

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### PROGRAM FACULTY

Gladys Heard graduated from Auburn University's Harrison College of Pharmacy in 2019 and joined the faculty on Oct. 14, 2019. She currently is part of the Division of Academic Programs, serving as the Curricular Coordinator for students on the Mobile campus. As the Curricular Coordinator, she provides curriculum, classroom, assessment and administrative support as well as coordinating the skills laboratory experience throughout the Doctor of Pharmacy program for all three didactic years on the Mobile campus. Heard works with a team of faculty and administrators to implement a variety of learning experiences. The program emphasizes student-centered learning, active learning, experiential integration of competencies and skills from all areas across the pharmacy curriculum. Heard earned a master's degree in education from Grand Canyon University in 2010 and followed up with a Master of Science degree from Touro University in 2015. She earned her Pharm.D. from the Harrison College of Pharmacy in 2019. A native of El Paso, Texas, she has been a pharmacist with Walgreens since 2018 and is active within the Alabama Pharmacy Association and American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy. She and her husband, Herman Doriean Heard, live in Mobile.

Erika L. Kleppinger, Pharm.D., BCPS is an Associate Clinical Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice. Since joining the faculty at the Harrison School of Pharmacy in 2003, she has practiced in several ambulatory care practice settings, coordinated and taught in a variety of skills laboratory activities, and worked passionately on curriculum development and revision. Dr. Kleppinger graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in 2001 with a doctor of pharmacy degree. After graduation, she completed two years of post-graduate residency training - a Pharmacy Practice residency at Temple University Hospital and a Primary Care specialty residency at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in association with the Philadelphia VA Medical Center. In 2003, Dr. Kleppinger became a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist (BCPS) and from 2006-2016 she was a Certified Diabetes Educator (CDE). During the first seven years after joining the faculty of HSOP, Dr. Kleppinger practiced as a Clinical Pharmacist Specialist at the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System (CAVHCS), managing patients with diabetes and lipid abnormalities. Additionally she practiced as a Clinical Pharmacist in the Auburn University Pharmaceutical Care Center (AUPCC) for two years assisting with wellness screenings and medication management education. Currently Dr. Kleppinger dedicates most of her time to skills activity coordination and assessment with Objective Structured Clinical Exams (OSCEs) and other performance-based assessments. She teaches in many areas of the Practice-Ready Curriculum, including patient assessment skills, communication skills (specifically assessing patient understanding and new prescription counseling), the pharmacists' patient care process, self-care, dermatology, cough and cold management, and immunization certification training. She also serves as a Skills Coordinator and a Learning Experience Coordinator for the first professional year of the PharmD program.

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