



WORKING FOR PHARMACY through COVID-19

Though times are uncertain, one thing is certain - MPA is **ALWAYS** working for you, our members and the profession of pharmacy.



MPA staff has spoken with **281** pharmacy professionals in response to COVID-19 information.



MPA staff has participated in **94** video conference calls with various industry organizations.



MPA staff has responded to **986** emails directly related to COVID-19 questions and concerns.

- ADDITIONAL SUPPORTIVE ACTIONS -

- MPA staff pharmacist operating out of the State of Michigan's Emergency Operation Center since mid-March.
- Made recommendations for the two initial Executive Orders made by the Governor that impacted pharmacy.
- Screened 75 Representatives, 24 Senators plus numerous staff, media and members of the public for the legislative session on April 7, 2020.
- Worked with LARA to obtain appropriate licensure for the State to order and obtain drugs to assist in emergency situations.
- Directly worked with the state to procure drugs and federal resources for hospitals experiencing shortages.
- Assisted LARA with follow-up messaging on Hydroxychloroquine.
- Released a joint statement with the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) on Hydroxychloroquine.
- Supported weekly calls through the MSHP Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee of infectious disease pharmacists in the hospitals across the state.
- Coordinated meeting with health-system directors, ASHP and FDA to discuss drug shortages.
- Coordinated meeting with ASHP, MPA emergency preparedness team and the State to strategize on medication procurement.
- Worked in coordination with the Michigan Board of Pharmacy on requested clarifications to LARA.
- Worked to get pharmacy professionals included in the HEROES Act being introduced by U.S. Representative (MI 2nd District) Bill Huizenga.
- Issued a press release recognizing the impact pharmacy professionals have during pandemics.
- Provided important and timely communications to pharmacy professionals (eight COVID-19 Updates touching on 52 pharmacy related topics and resources).

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