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The Board of Pharmacy Specialties remains committed to improving the care provided by pharmacists to patients and families, and as such, recognizes that clinician well-being and resilience are critical contributors to quality patient care. As the burden of complex chronic disease grows – especially related to the high number, cost, and complexity of medications available for treatment – we cannot overstate its impact on patients, society, and those who provide health care.

To optimize patient care quality and safety, BPS has begun to investigate the potential causes and prevalence of issues that compromise clinician well-being; particularly, among board certified pharmacists. As part of our ongoing approach to quality improvement, BPS is committed to analyzing and sharing these data with key stakeholders in the pharmacy ecosystem; including residency training programs, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, and other professional societies. We believe this will effectively promote collaboration among stakeholders to develop solutions to address the root causes of clinician burnout.

Furthermore, we remain focused on finding ways to meaningfully incorporate innovation into our certification and recertification programs for pharmacist specialists in order to promote continual professional development and maintain clinician well-being. We believe that integrating these activities into daily practice will facilitate the delivery of high quality care and promote compliance with regulatory requirements, and thereby improve efficiency, reduce waste, and enhance the ability of pharmacist specialists to contribute to optimal medication use on highly-functioning interprofessional teams.

About the Board of Pharmacy Specialties®

The Board of Pharmacy Specialties (BPS) was founded in 1976 as an autonomous division of the American Pharmacists Association to improve patient outcomes, reduce healthcare costs and increase awareness of the increasingly important role of BPS Board Certified Pharmacists on multidisciplinary healthcare teams. With more than 33,000 BPS board certified pharmacists worldwide, BPS board certification has become recognized as the gold standard for determining which pharmacists are qualified to contribute at advanced practice level.