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AMCP Nexus 2017 Draws Nearly 2,500 Managed Care Pharmacy Professionals for Conference Themed 'Changing the Way We Pay for Health Care'

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Oct. 20, 2017 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Nearly 2,500 managed care pharmacy professionals from across the country gathered in the heart of Texas this week for dozens of educational sessions and discussions on how to boost outcomes and control costs for the roughly 270 million Americans covered by a managed pharmacy benefit.



The Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy held its AMCP Nexus 2017 conference, Oct. 16-19 at the Gaylord Texan Hotel & Convention Center in Grapevine, Texas, near Dallas. The theme of this year's event was "changing the way we pay for health care."

Stakeholders from across the health care system are looking for new ways to improve the value and outcomes of care while bending the cost curve, said AMCP CEO Susan A. Cantrell, RPh, CAE.

"AMCP is proud to be at the forefront of innovative efforts to reexamine how we pay for care, including through promising value-based contracts and other innovative payment models," she said. "This conference draws national thought leaders who are providing actionable insights into these and other issues that will improve our health care system now and in the future."

AMCP Nexus 2017 featured more than 30 educational sessions in five tracks: (1) Changing the Way We Pay for Health Care; (2) Drugs, Diseases and the Managed Care Impact; (3) Legislative and Regulatory Trends: From Rhetoric to Practice; (4) Managed Care Research in Action; and (5) Specialty Pharmacy Management: Keeping Up with Runaway Innovation.

The General Session featured a keynote panel of national experts who discussed innovative ways in which to pay for the wave of remarkable, yet high-cost curative therapies coming to market.

In addition, Nexus 2017 included 11 satellite symposia on diverse issues affecting health care; an Exchange hall featuring more than 40 exhibitors presenting the latest ideas, tools and advancements; a slate of Science & Innovation Theaters and Industry Workshops providing additional education on managed care pharmacy issues; and various programming designed specifically for student pharmacists. Nexus 2017 also included the AMCP Foundation's 7th Annual Research Symposium titled "Value Based Health Care: Identifying Benefits for Patients, Providers and Payers."

About AMCP

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