# SAMPLE **SBAR** FOR PITCHING RHAZDRUGS TO YOUR ORGANIZATION



## SITUATION

- To be compliant with USP <800> standards, <Health System/hospital name> must create an initial file on each NIOSH listed drug. <Health System/hospital name> master list currently has<?>dosage forms of <number of generic drugs> drugs) with extensive information on hazard levels by dosage form and handling task (Assessments of Risk or AoR), personal protective equipment (PPE) guides, waste disposal guides, safety data sheets (SDS), receiving and storage instructions, etc.
- 2. This information must be readily accessible to **all** <Health System/hospital name> staff.
- 3. The information must be monitored for changes, additions to NIOSH list, & additions to formulary, with a full review annually.
- 4. The experience of creating files manually has shown that significant pharmacist time is required for all research, compilation, and documentation just to get started.

#### BACKGROUND

USP General Chapter <800> Hazardous Drug-Handling in Healthcare Settings, the first practice and quality standards to protect healthcare workers from exposure to hazardous drugs, will become enforceable in the near term. Regulations require information on drug hazard levels, safety data sheets, PPE guides, and more, to be readily available to all system staff who may inadvertently, or through their job requirements, come into contact with hazardous drugs. All organizations are subject to inspection.

#### ASSESSMENT

<Health System/hospital name> needs a software solution to help manage and keep updated the hazardous drug information. Building the foundation for USP <800> compliance right the first time will save <Health System/hospital name> and the pharmacy FTE time, create a reliable and readable format for healthcare workers' use, and protect the organization's intellectual property.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Software should be purchased so that <Health System/hospital name> will be able to manage, update, approve, run reports, and meet federally mandated guidelines for communication of hazardous drug handling for the entire health system.

- 1. Readily Accessible for All The Rhazdrugs platform allows seamless integration into <Health System/hospital name> intranet and eHR to allow quick access from either for use by any employee of <Health System/hospital name>.
- 2. Research is currently pulled manually for each drug from each source. With Rhazdrugs, all research will flow automatically into the software and into the HazD Resource page created in Rhazdrugs.
- Assessments of Risk Rhazdrugs will allow AoR customization for the situational risk for each dosage form of each drug, using the research collected, and using standardized phrasing created to ensure readability and grade level appropriate documents.
- 4. Safety data sheets SDS for all NIOSH HazD are built into Rhazdrugs. SDS information can flow, as the organization determines, to give us exposure hazards and emergency actions for handling an exposure or spill. (<Health System/hospital name> current MSDS service does not contain all NIOSH HazD and is not quickly accessible as needed in the event of an exposure.)
- 5. PPE guides Any document created by <Health System/hospital name> can be put into Rhazdrugs files to be accessed in the priority we select-Nursing PPE for Administration can open automatically when the link is selected in the EHR.
- 6. <Health System/hospital name> nursing, IS and pharmacy staff have experience with the Rpharmy team and we know how to customize their product.
- 7. Integration with the EHR involves a download with nothing to be built by <Health System/hospital name>.
- 8. Research with Vizient, other healthcare systems (Novant, Atrium, Yale/NewHaven), USP <800> experts Patricia Kienle and Fred Massoumi, and Google have not found another software solution on the market.
- 9. Last but not least, <Health System/hospital name> USP <800> Project Team, Nursing Informatics, IS and Pharmacy Med Use and Safety team (responsible for future maintenance) have demonstrated and approved use of the software to enhance and expedite <Health System/hospital name> compliance.