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ANALYSIS OF PRESCRIBER EDUCATION ON RETURNED TO STOCK PRESCRIPTIONS BY PHARMACISTS (C1), Regina Nguyen. Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program, Sacramento, CA (Regina.X.Nguyen@kp.org) IRB exempt.

Returned to stock prescriptions (RTS) are a common problem in outpatient pharmacies. Previous studies have shown that up to 30 percent of prescriptions are filled and unclaimed. These unwanted prescriptions contribute to an increase in pharmacy budget and impact the efficiency of outpatient pharmacies. The purpose of this project will be to implement an educational program for sixty Internal Medicine prescribers in the North Sacramento Valley Area. This education will consist of methods to reduce the number of computerized physician order entries returned to stock in the outpatient setting. Prescription data of the Internal Medicine department will be assessed two months prior to the education and three months thereafter. Chart review will comprise of the most returned to stock medications and evaluate potential reasons for RTS which may include prescriptions sent to undesired pharmacies, duplicate prescriptions, or prescription updates with no intent to fill at the current time. PowerPoint presentations on how to minimize return to stock medications will be provided to groups of Internal Medicine prescribers. Through this program, an analysis will be completed to determine if there are any decreases in prescriptions returned to stock due to education provided by pharmacists. Results and conclusions will be presented.