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We request approximately 5 minutes to present information related to the pharmacist's role in managing risk and ensuring the appropriate use of medications, pharmacists' experience with current risk management processes, and the profession's vision for the future—including emerging risk management initiatives.

Correspondence on this issue should be directed to Susan Bishop at the American Pharmaceutical Association (APhA), 2215 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20037-2985. Telephone: 202-429-7538; Facsimile: 202-638-3793.

Please contact Susan K. Bishop, APhA's Manager of Regulatory Affairs and Political Action, with any questions about this request. She may be reached at 202-429-7538 or sbishop@aphanet.org.

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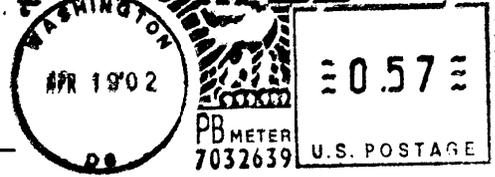
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