

**Pharm-PAC Agency Liaison Report**  
**Indian Health Service National Pharmacy Council**

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- **2009 IHS Pharmacy Practice Training Program (PPTP)**
  - 2 sessions were held in August in Scottsdale, AZ
  - Total of 52 pharmacists attended
  
- **IHS Pharmacy Task Force**
  - Commissioned by the IHS Principle Pharmacy Consultant to explore transition of pharmacists into **full-time** clinical roles in IHS
  - Task Force Focus Areas:
    - Achieve recognition and compensation for pharmacist cognitive/clinical services
    - Integrate pharmacists into the Chronic Care Model/Innovations in Planned Care activities
    - Publish an ideal practice model to guide Indian Health System pharmacists to establish efficient, safe, and patient-centered pharmacy programs that integrate pharmacists more fully into the facility's clinical activities
    - Improve efficiency of the dispensing process
  - [http://home.pharmacy.ihs.gov/index.cfm?module=gen\\_one&id=55](http://home.pharmacy.ihs.gov/index.cfm?module=gen_one&id=55)
    - Pharmacy Task Force section of IHS Pharmacy Intranet (accessible only inside IHS firewall)
  
- Loan Repayment site scores for FY2010 will be determined and published soon.
  
- The IHS National Pharmacy Council is working with the IHS National Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee on a joint position statement regarding business relationships between Indian Health System medical facility personnel and representatives from pharmaceutical industry.
  
- IHS National Pharmacy Council will be reviewing suggested changes to the IHS Pharmacy Internet site ([www.pharmacy.ihs.gov](http://www.pharmacy.ihs.gov)) by the IHS Health Profession Recruitment Program to align with the websites of other IHS professions