



# TEXAS STAR PHARMACY

## COLLABORATIVE CUSTOMIZED ALLERGY PROGRAM

### ALLERGY TESTING AND TREATMENT FOR YOUR PRACTICE

- Allergies are the fifth leading chronic disease in the US, affecting more than 50 million Americans of all ages.<sup>1</sup>
- Twenty-six million Americans have asthma, and approximately 60% of them have allergic asthma.<sup>1</sup>
- Allergists currently number fewer than 2800 in the United States. That number is expected to decline by 6.8% by 2020. During the same period, demand for allergy related services is projected to increase by 35%.<sup>1</sup>

Patients receive relief from allergy symptoms in as little as 1 year with treatment lasting 2-5 years, resulting in potential long-term remission of allergy symptoms and improved quality of life.

#### **Patient Benefits**

- Broad spectrum Immunotherapy
- Needle free testing
- Option for injectable or sublingual treatment
- Convenience of being treated by their local doctor

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oWZgvGE7AVE>

\*Source 1: AAAPC "Providing a voice for primary care physicians and patients. By Lois Bowers march 14, 2013 Medical Economics. January 27, 2015 available at [www.aaapc.us/allergy-focus-of-new-pcp-organization/#more-484](http://www.aaapc.us/allergy-focus-of-new-pcp-organization/#more-484)

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### TEXAS STAR PHARMACY PROVIDES

**Trained staff** – TSP Pharmacists and compounding technicians have a combined 5 years of experience in the formulation of immunology products.

**Marketing** - TSP provides education and marketing material for the office waiting area and all treatment rooms.

**Support** – TSP provides pharmacists to assist your allergy technician with any immunology questions.

### PROVIDER BENEFITS

- Seamless integration into your current practice.
- Diversification of services.
- New profitable income stream.
- Example Clinic profitability: \$470,000 per year. Assuming \$1880/year insurance reimbursement per treatment per patient, (1 patient per day x 50 weeks per year). May vary based on services provided, type of treatment, insurance coverage and provider. \*

### MEDICAL PROVIDER REQUIREMENTS

- Exam room for testing and treatment.
- Patient prescriptions for Epinephrine Auto Injector and treatment.
- Billing and EOB reports.
- Space for refrigeration of test panels and medications.



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### ALLERGEN IMMUNOTHERAPY PRESCRIPTION SERVICE TREATMENT SETS MADE ACCORDING TO YOUR PRESCRIPTION

Prescription service is available to those practices that prefer assistance with compounding treatment sets and maintenance refills. Each prescription is made based on the formula prescribed and to USP<797> specifications within a Class 100 (ISO 5) environment.

We provide a 6-vial set (**SCIT**) of graduated dilutions in 5ml vials as prescribed, with a maximum of 12 antigens per prescription formula. Our standard dilutions are tenfold; 1:100,000, 1:10,000, 1:1000, 1:100, 1:10, 1:1 Maintenance vials (refills) are 5ml.

Please allow **at least 3-5 days** for delivery. Our customer service personnel and staff pharmacist are available for technical assistance.

#### PROGRAM STEPS

##### STEPS:

- Doctor's office sends us prescription listing all required antigens for a patient (Max 15 antigens for a patient (Max 15 antigens per kit for SLIT; 12 max per kit for SCIT)
- Texas Star Pharmacy will compound the prescription and package it.
- The prescription will be delivered to the doctor's office within 2-4 business days after receiving the prescription.

##### BENEFITS

- Texas Star Pharmacy can provide all the required supplies, if required, including:
  - ✓ **SCRATCH TEST PANELS AND ANTIGENS**
  - ✓ **GLOVES**
  - ✓ **OTHER SUPPLIES**
- Texas Star Pharmacy can compound sublingual or subcutaneous prescriptions.
- Almost all antigens in stock.
- Prescription will be ready **3-5 business days** after receipt of a prescription and delivered to a doctor's office.
- Payment can be made via credit card, charged as we ship prescriptions.
- At the end of the month, a statement will be sent to doctor's office with detail of all prescriptions charged.

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### 3 GOOD REASONS TO ORDER YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS FROM TEXAS STAR PHARMACY

#### 1. Safety, Sterility & Accuracy

- USP 797 compliant.
- Qualified and annually certified clean room technicians wear sterile gowns, hoods, gloves, shoe covers and face masks.
- Environmental monitoring throughout the compounding process.
- Aseptic manufacturing facility with HEPA filtered air and laminar flow individual workstations.
- Every vial is tested for sterility.
- Department supervised by staff Pharmacist, DPh.

#### 2. Economy & Efficiency

- Frees you and other staff members for other important activities.
- Saves valuable storage space and eliminates the need to maintain costly extract inventories.
- Is accepted by most third-party payers.
- Reduces tedious record keeping. We provide mixture and dilution reports, computerized refill tracking and personalized packaging & labeling.

#### 3. Simplified Order Procedure

- FAX form makes order placements fast and efficient.
- Orders acknowledged shortly after receipt and shipped to your office in approximately 3-5 days.

Texas Star Pharmacy is a 503A licensed pharmacy (licenses in, Texas, Florida, and Oklahoma). Texas Star Pharmacy compounds named patient allergy immunotherapy prescriptions in compliance with USP <797> *Pharmaceutical Compounding – Sterile Preparations*, as it specifically applies to Allergen Extracts, as well as the FDA Guidance: *Mixing, Diluting, or Repackaging Biological Products Outside the Scope of an Approved Biologics License Application* (US DHHS, FDA, CDER/CBER), as it also applies to Licensed Allergenic Extracts. Be advised that the preparation of named patient allergy immunotherapy prescription sets in a manner compliant with USP <797> does not require the performance of a 14 day sterility test.

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### TEST AND TREATMENT SPECS

**SLIT** – this is the sublingual treatment that goes in droppers and/or pump

- Glycerin Diluent
- No Colors
- Up to 15 Antigen per Bottle
- Treatment Build Up/Concentrations

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR TREATMENT

- Dropper Bottle 1: 3ml (5 doses) with a 1:5 Dilution of Maintenance = 1:100 w/v if 10 antigen.
- Dropper Bottle 2: 3ml 1:20 (5 doses) w/v assuming 10 antigen treatment.
- 4 Maintenance Pump Vials to complete 1 year treatment (45 doses in each): 10ml Metered Pump Delivers 200 mcl or 0.2 ml per pump @ 1:20.
- Total of 2 Dropper Bottles and 4 Pump Bottles for 1<sup>st</sup> year treatment.

#### SUBSEQUENT YEARS TREATMENT

- 8 Maintenance Pump Vials @ 1:20 for future refill orders on subsequent years.  
**Note: Concentrations will change based on number of antigen present in dropper/vial.**

#### SCIT

- Glycerin Diluent
- 5ml Treatment Vials
- Up to 12 Antigen per Vial
- 4% per Antigen up to 52% Antigen and 48% Glycerin

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR TREATMENT

- 5 Vials in Year 1 = Silver 1:10,000, Green 1:1000, Blue 1:100, Yellow 1:10, Red 1:1 (Red = maintenance)

#### SUBSEQUENT YEARS OF TREATMENT

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Year forward will be all Red 1:1 upon refill unless special orders based on patient history.

#### TEST Antigen

- Glycerin Diluent
- 1:40 Ratio
- 5ml bottles with Dropper for moving from bottle to tray



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**Note: MAKE SURE Antigen will not expire during the 1 year treatment course.**

### Multiple Skin Test System

- **ComforTen** Skin Test Device features ten single surgical steel 1.2mm lancet tips, which creates minimal skin trauma for comfortable allergy testing.
- The only 10-test, self-loading, surgical steel testing device on the market.
- **ComforTen** Test Device is equipped with directional indicators to help insure the proper orientation and application.
- Because the device causes little to no trauma, readings of 3mm or greater are considered positive.

### Item No. Description

1. CFM827 ComforTen® multiple Skin Test Device (sterile) 81 Devices (810 tests).
2. 8406ZA ComforTen® Covered 30-Hole Tray.
3. (Includes Spacers and Labels) 1 tray per Box.
4. 8924ZA HollisterStier Allergy Skin Test Reservoirs (sterile) 30 per Pouch.
5. 8409ZA ComforTen® Evaluation Pack.