

Medication Safety Research Network of Indiana (Rx-SafeNet)

What is it?

- The Medication Safety Research Network of Indiana (Rx-SafeNet), is the first practice-based research network (PBRN) comprised solely of community pharmacies in Indiana. Rx-SafeNet is administered by the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI) and the Purdue College of Pharmacy. At its inception, the Network was made feasible through a Lilly Endowment grant received by the College in 2006.

What is a practice-based research network?

- Practice-based research networks are collaborative organizations studying research questions that directly impact patient care and use findings to advance practice. Historically, PBRNs were comprised of physician practices, but community pharmacy PBRNs have become more common.

Our Mission

- The mission of Rx-SafeNet is to “improve medication safety and advance community pharmacy practice in Indiana through the conduct and dissemination of collaborative, patient-centered, practice-based research.” Rx-SafeNet brings together pharmacies throughout Indiana to answer questions that will directly impact patient care.



Why should your community pharmacy join?

- Practicing community pharmacists understand best the challenges the profession faces on a day-to-day basis. Participating in Rx-SafeNet will allow pharmacists to partner with academic researchers to study issues they identify and to find solutions that provide the best possible care to patients.
- There is no requirement to participate in a certain number of projects each year. Becoming a member enables pharmacies to submit project ideas and be contacted with opportunities to participate in upcoming projects.

How does your pharmacy join?

- Identify a site coordinator who will be responsible for communicating with Rx-SafeNet.
- Download, read, and have the appropriate person in your organization sign the membership memorandum of understanding (MOU), and provide the site coordinator's contact information.

If you have questions and want to know more, contact our Network personnel at Rx-SafeNet@purdue.edu or visit our website at pharmacy.purdue.edu/rx-safenet/