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**JANUARY/FEBRUARY**
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**The Clinically Driven Supply Chain**
The clinically driven supply chain involves understanding how a product is being utilized and is performing within the patient care setting—does it improve patient outcomes and help lower costs? Data analytics provides insights on device quality and performance, which can be used by clinical and supply chain professionals to make informed strategic procurement decisions.

- Integrating clinical and supply chain data
- Managing new medical technology
  - Enterprise software
  - Medical devices
- Evidence based outcomes

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**Population Health Management**
Successful population health management programs employ a holistic approach to community care. Currently, hospitals and care providers are transforming their mindset of what constitutes care delivery. In some cases taking proactive steps such as reaching people where they live and work by leveraging touchpoints in the community.

- Social determinants of health
- Community engagement and outreach strategies for population health
- Supply chain’s role in population health management

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CQO KPIs & Benchmarking
In order to manage the intersection of Cost, Quality, and Outcomes today’s healthcare supply chain professional must be able to decipher and leverage complex analytics. This month we will explore the myriad of data sources available and which ones provide actionable data resulting in an improved supply chain and patient care.

- MSPB (Medical Spend per Beneficiary)
- Metrics supply chain should be measuring
- Data sources, consistency, and standards
- Metrics that indicate clinical variation

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AHRMM18 Conference Issue
Top leaders in healthcare supply chain will retire within the next decade. The loss in talent could prove to be a challenge for the field if the next generation of healthcare supply chain professionals are not identified and trained to become impactful leaders. Learn how supply chain professionals and organizations are reaching out to current students and young professionals to prepare them for healthcare leadership roles.

- On-campus outreach and networking strategies with student groups and young professionals
- How to effectively mentor the next generation
- Young healthcare supply chain professionals—what attracted you to the field?

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AHRMM18 Overview • 2018 Board Election Candidates • 2018 National Healthcare Supply Chain Week • AHRMM’s Focus on the Next Generation

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Managing Beyond Medical/Surgical Supplies
Strategic partnerships between suppliers and providers is key to an effective and efficient supply chain, characterized by lower costs, improved patient quality, and financial outcomes. This is achieved when suppliers and providers align individual goals and objectives, while working together to put the needs of patients first.

- Strategic partnerships & collaborations w/providers
- Purchased services
- MRO (maintenance repair and operations)
- Risk-based contracting
Innovation in Healthcare
The healthcare field is rapidly changing thanks to disruptive technologies such as block chain, mobile apps, and the internet. All three allow consumers to shop around for primary care physicians and compare prices for medical procedures. As we look to 2019, we’ll examine new technologies and their role in advancing the healthcare supply chain.

- Disruptive technology
  - Block chain
- Telehealth
- Consumerism in U.S. healthcare

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