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FDA Registered 503B Outsourcing Facility by Cantrell Drug Company

Our experience with cGMP focused policies and procedures along with carefully designed facilities, equipment, training and testing, provide confidence to our customers in the quality of our services.

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Company Background

Established in 1952, Cantrell Drug Company has a long and successful history. Amidst many changes in the field of pharmacy, Cantrell Drug Company has remained committed to maintain a standard of quality exceeding current compounding standards. Pharmacist and CEO, Dell McCarley P.D., has led the privately owned and operated corporation to become one of the nation's most advanced compounding companies.

Innovation and investment in cutting-edge technology at Cantrell Drug Company is evidenced in the Rapid Microbiological sterility testing program and an autonomous and independent Quality Assurance department. Advances in technical processes and programs like these are tangible indicators of our level of commitment to quality and the pharmaceutical sciences.

Service Overview

Cantrell Drug Company is a multi-faceted specialty pharmaceutical company providing sterile and non-sterile pharmaceutical preparations to meet the needs of patients, physicians, clinics and healthcare institutions throughout the United States. Cantrell Drug Company is comprised of two divisions: a custom compounding division primarily designed to "bridge the gap" with commercial product drug shortages and a standard admixture line for every day hospital pharmacy needs.

The goal of Cantrell Drug Company is to provide the highest quality pharmaceutical preparations. We accomplish this with an extensive and continuous quality assurance/quality control program focusing on strict compliance with current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP) and U.S. Pharmacopeia Guidelines (USP) standards. We strive to conduct business in an ethical manner, comply with all applicable federal, state and local statutes and regulations; maintain a high level of consistency and efficiency and assure quality in each and every compounded medication.

Cantrell Drug Company is an FDA registered 503B Human Drug Compounding Outsourcing Facility that specializes in providing customized IVs, OR syringes, epidural preparations, PCA syringes and drug shortage solutions with the highest level of quality. Cantrell meets the daily needs of patients, physicians, clinics and health care institutions nationwide and retains state licenses nationwide, a DEA manufacturing license and an FDA registration.

Drug Shortages

Every healthcare institution is sure to feel the effects of shortages in the coming months; in fact, the amount of shortages has more than tripled since 2005. Over 75% of these shortages were for sterile injectable medications. Of these, 42% were due to product quality issues such as the "presence of particulates, microbial contamination, newly identified impurities, and stability changes." Another 18% were due to product discontinuations where prior notification to the FDA was not required. The shortages lead to increased cost for pharmacies to meet patient and physician needs, and much of the financial impact is felt in acute care divisions. Cantrell Drug Company offers compounded solutions to many of these drug shortages. Currently, we are providing many of the "hard to find" products - please contact us for more information and to see if the product you need is available for compounding. We will help you "fill in the gap" during the time period the shortages are in effect.

Testimonial

"Cantrell Drug Company has been a lifesaver when it comes to drug shortages. A quick e-mail to Cantrell, and more often than not, they are able to provide the needed product. A couple of weeks ago, our metoclopramide injection supply was critically low. Cantrell saved the day by providing what commercial vendors could not. I am confident that the products we receive from Cantrell Drug Company are sterile and accurate because of the rigorous quality control tests that are performed on every batch. It is comforting to know that Cantrell Drug Company will provide a quality product at a fair price."

— Angela N. Powell, PharmD, Director

Quality Control & Quality Assurance

Cantrell Drug Company's FDA Registered Product Lines are produced under a comprehensive Quality System model that supports and sustains robust quality systems consistent with cGMP regulations. These products are produced in an FDA registered facility using current Good Manufacturing Practices. Cantrell's Quality Control and Quality Assurance (QC/QA) program monitors the quality of Cantrell's preparations through testing, documentation and continuous quality improvement procedures and ensures compliance with applicable state and federal regulations.

Cantrell Drug Company utilizes a formalized QA program, which encompasses all aspects of preparation and testing to ensure accuracy and precision of weighing and measuring, and methods of sterilization.