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Expanding Infusion Suite Services

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Alternative Infusion Site Implementation

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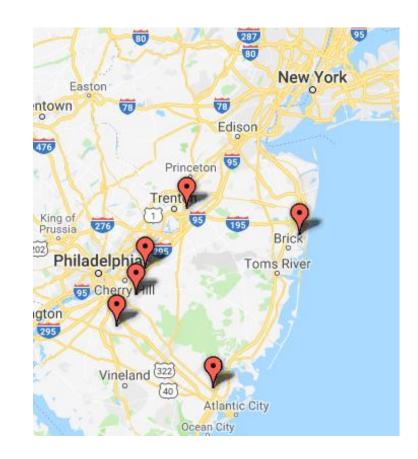


ARBDA is New Jersey's largest independent rheumatology practice

- Single specialty rheumatology practice with 18 providers and 6 locations with offices up to 80 miles apart
- Branded infusion center (31 chairs) supporting ARBDA- and non-ARBDA providers
- Lower cost than hospital-based infusion sites









AIS is a rare opportunity to satisfy unmet patient care needs while also driving business growth

Clinical care gap

Expanded portfolio of provideradministered drug in specialties that are not equipped to handle them



Importance of strategic growth

Extensive competition in regional market requires expansion into ancillary service lines to maintain growth trajectory

Proven business model

Demonstrated success of AIS in driving revenue growth for similarly mature practices

Existing competency

Established infrastructure, buy-and-bill experience, and clinical know-how all support low barrier-to-entry



ARBDA implemented AIS-specific processes to ensure patient safety and mitigate business risk



Opportunity Assessment

- Requires ARBDA medical committee approval (evaluates safety and clinical risks)
- Ensures adequate reimbursement to cover drug and administration costs



Referring Provider Participation

- Must share order, medical records, and any labs necessary for PA
- Completed infusion flowsheets shared back with referring provider



Product-Specific SOPs

 Educates staff on protocol, MOA, safety and side-effects



Mandatory Annual EM Visit with Patient

- First visit must occur before initial AIS infusion
- Enables discovery of safety risks that may not be evident from referring provider's documentation



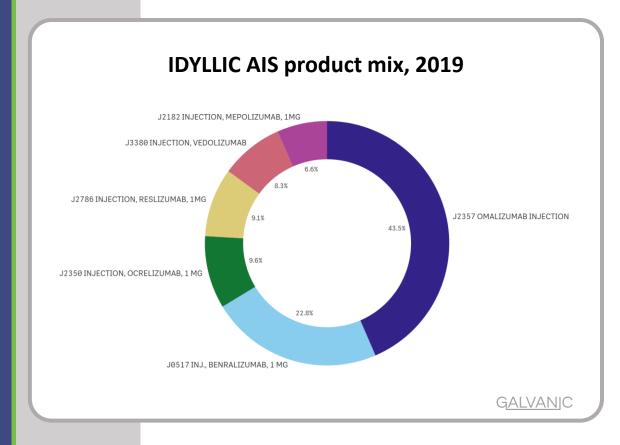
Getting the word out

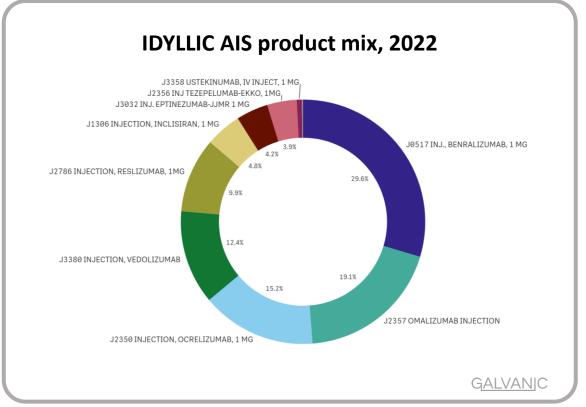
- Rebranding to create a unique, patient- and provider-focused identity distinct from the core practice
- Phased provider outreach to different specialties
- Engaging payers and pharma to build awareness of service line offering and to learn about specific products (pipeline and approved)
- Patient engagement through SEO/DTC, NICA listing, and free stuff





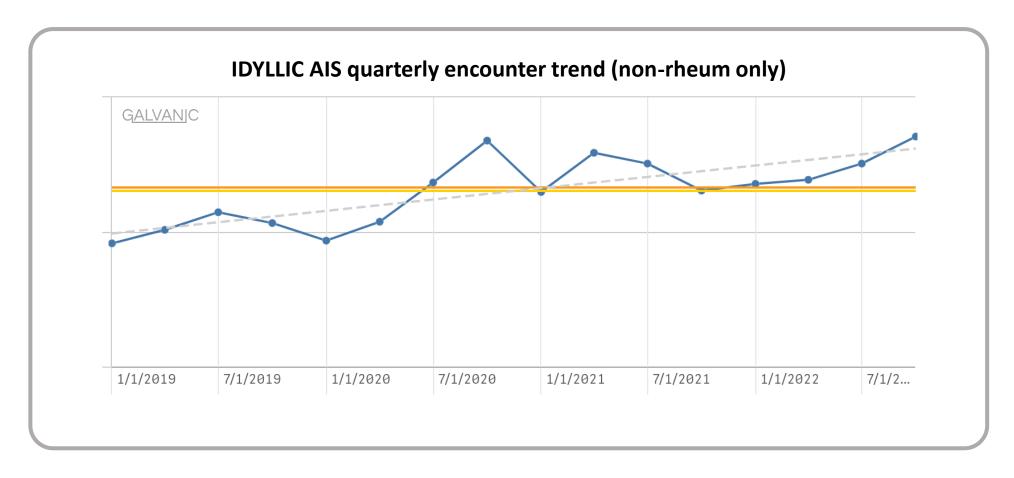
Since inception of the AIS service line, IDYLLIC has continued to expand its product offerings







Quarterly AIS volume has increased by 86%, equivalent to compound annual growth of 17%





Marketing Your Infusion Suite

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CEO, Arizona Arthritis and Rheumatology



Why Market Your Infusion Services to Others?

- To increase revenue
- 2. Improve suite utilization
- 3. Assist with Research efforts
- 4. Gain negotiating leverage with payers



How Do You Market to Other Specialties?

- Hire a marketing firm/consultant to help rebrand your suite
- Use your staff to knock on doors
- Partner with drug reps
- Sign-up with NICA
- Sign-up with manufactures
- Partner with other free-standing infusion sites



How Do You Market to Other Specialties? *(continued)*

- Make the process simple
 - The person knocking on doors is the "person of contact"
 - o Leave flyer/postcards that offer solutions
 - Are you struggling with getting you patients started on infusions?
- Stop in on a regular basis
- Have the liaison follow up with referring provider after the first couple of referrals



Who Oversees These Outside Infusions?

- Community Liaison
 - Someone who is well-versed in:
 - The clinical aspects of your practice
 - Benefit verification
 - Co-pay assistant and foundation programs
 - Comfortable specking with physicians
- Self-motivated
 - Make 25% of their salary productivity based



What is the Process?

- Once the patient is in they system, he is processed the same way as internal infusion referrals
- This includes clearing a 32 point check system

What are the Challenges?

- Specialty pharmacy mandates
- Overcoming the perception that you should only infusion rheumatology patients
- Assuring other rheumatology practices that you do not plan to keep their patients
- State laws
 - Some states require the patient to be seen by provider prior to infusing
 - Federal payors require you to have a provider on site while infusing



How Profitable Can Outside Infusions Be?

- AZIV receives 35-45 new outside orders a week
- AZIV Payments
 - ○2019 = \$3.2m
 - ○2020 = \$6.2m
 - ○2021= \$7.3m
 - ○2022 = \$8.4m
 - 2023 = on track for \$10m



Opportunities in Infusion Center Diversification

Brian Nyquist

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Why Consider Diversifying?

- Market growth means huge opportunity
- Spread risk and manage exposure
 - What if rheumatology drugs take a hit?
- Increase negotiation power
- Improve more lives
- Better serve your community



- Provider-administered biopharmaceuticals are the future of health care.
- Over 150 FDA-approved non-oncology provider-administered drugs on the market.
- Top non-oncology biologic product in 2020 by market share (sales):
 Remicade (\$4.5B)
- Top non-oncology biologic products in 2021 by market share (sales): Ocrevus (\$5.5B), Entyvio (\$4.4B), Gammagard (\$X), Tepezza (\$1.7B), Stelara (\$9.6B)
- Remicade will continue to lose market share to biosimilars through 2027, but unbranded infliximab may counterbalance.



- Biopharma R&D investments continue to trend toward provideradministered monoclonal antibody therapies.
- Market value projected to double from 2022 to 2030 (\$462B \$613B)
- As of April 2023, 45% of research molecules (1,043 trials) are in Phase 3
 - **109** completed in 2022
 - 186 expected to be completed in 2023
 - **51%** to be completed by 2025
- Top 4 specialties (by # of trials): Dermatology, Hematology, Respiratory, Neurology.



Drivers of Market Growth

- Robust pipeline
- Increasing mergers & acquisitions among key players
- Advances in diagnostics leading to earlier intervention
- Expansion of precision medicine beyond oncology

Restraints on Market Growth

- High drug costs
- Nominal cost savings with biosimilars
- Net negative reimbursement for preferred biosimilars
- Inviable reform strategies
- Payer/PBM policies



Important Considerations

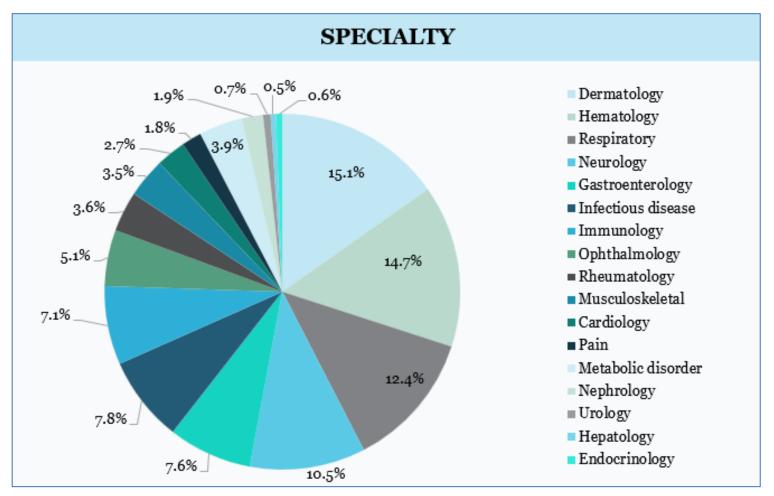
- Navigating prior authorization requirements
- Ensuring timely and adequate reimbursement
- Leveraging position to optimize contracts
- Legal Considerations
 - o"Incident to" billing requirements
 - Staff training & competency
 - Clinical criteria for pre-auths and payment
 - Storage and handling requirements



Drug Resources

Brand			FDA-Approved			
Name	J Code	Generic Name	Indications	Dose	Route	Frequency
						Every 2 weeks x 3
	J0490		Systemic Lupus			doses, then every 4
<u>Benlysta</u>		belimumab	Erythramostus	10 mg/kg	IV	weeks
	J0717				Subcutaneous	Every 2 weeks x2, then
Cimzia	30717	certolizumab	Crohn's Disease	400 mg	inj.	every 4 weeks
			Rheumatoid Arthritis,			
			Psoriatic Arthritis, Ankylosing		Subcutaneous	
			Spondylitis	400 mg	inj.	Weeks 0, 2, and 4, then:
					Subcutaneous	
				200 mg	inj.	Every other week
					Subcutaneous	
			Plaque Psoriasis	400 mg	inj.	Every other week
	J3380					Weeks 0, 2, 6, then
Entyvio	33300	vedolizumab	Ulcerative Colitis	300 mg	IV	every 8 weeks
			Crohn's Disease			
	J0517				Subcutaneous	Every 4 weeks x3, then
<u>Fasenra</u>	30317	benralizumab	Asthma	30 mg	Inj	every 8 weeks

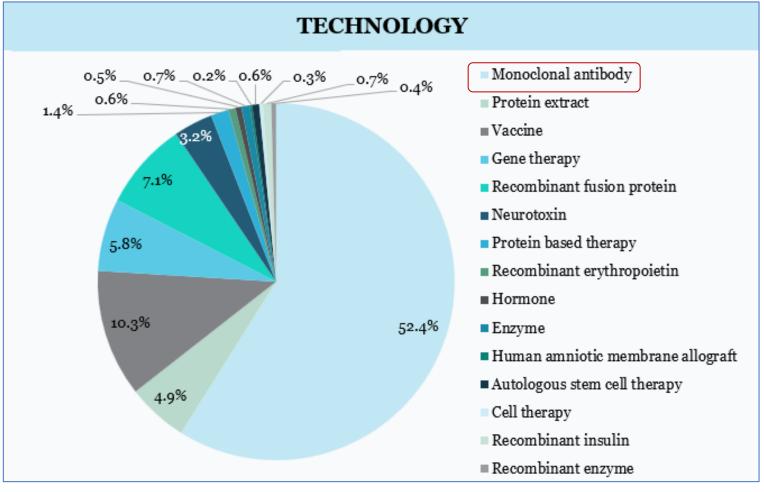




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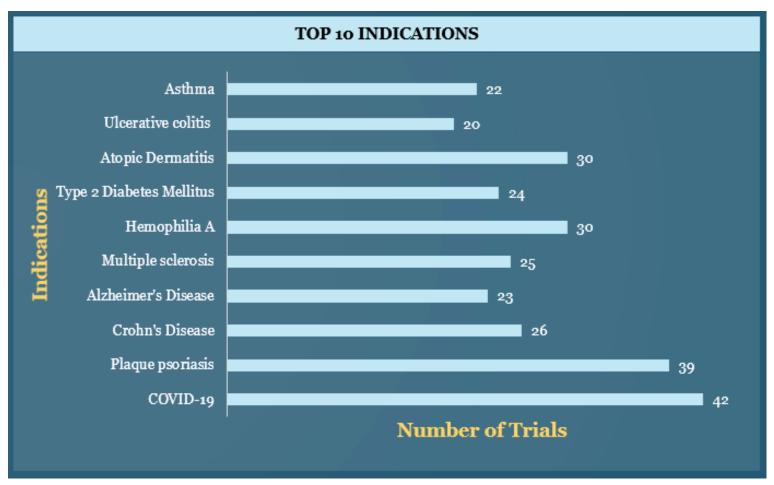


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Questions?

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Upcoming CSRO Events

- Virtual Advocacy Day
 - Thursday, July 13 meetings held throughout the day
 - Details & registration: www.csro.info/conferences/upcomingevents/2023-virtual-advocacy-day
- Advocacy Conference & 20th Anniversary Celebration
 - ○August 25-27 Austin, Texas
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