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This month's issue we catch up with developments close to home following Alliance Healthcare's acquisition last year by AmerisourceBergen. Editor Rob Darracott has been talking to AmerisourceBergen's CEO Steve Collis and managing director of international wholesale Juan Guerra on the rationale for the deal and the benefits that might accrue to the customers of a global healthcare distribution and specialist logistics business. We've got the latest analysis of community pharmacy contracts from economist Leela Barham and the first module in a short series providing insights into how you can build your online presence to attract more customers looking for answers.

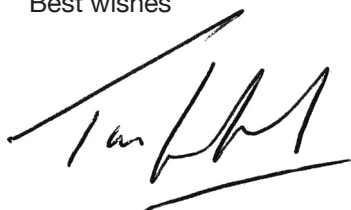
At Alliance Healthcare and as a part of AmerisourceBergen, we continue to follow the tragic developments in Ukraine, and our hearts and our thoughts remain with the local people. We are united in our responsibility to create healthier futures and we are honoured to be able to offer philanthropic support to the Ukraine appeal.

In alignment with AmerisourceBergen Foundation's mission, a total of \$500K to support the humanitarian response in and around Ukraine has been granted. Recipient organisations include International Health Partners (IHP) – a UK non-profit organisation that supports people in disaster-hit and vulnerable communities to get the medicines they need, by coordinating the safe and responsible donation of long-dated medical products. Visit www.alliance-healthcare.co.uk to find out more.

Alliance Healthcare and Communications International Group are both proudly independent and committed to supporting the future of independent community pharmacy.

We hope you enjoy this month's read.

Best wishes



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