

ACCP Report

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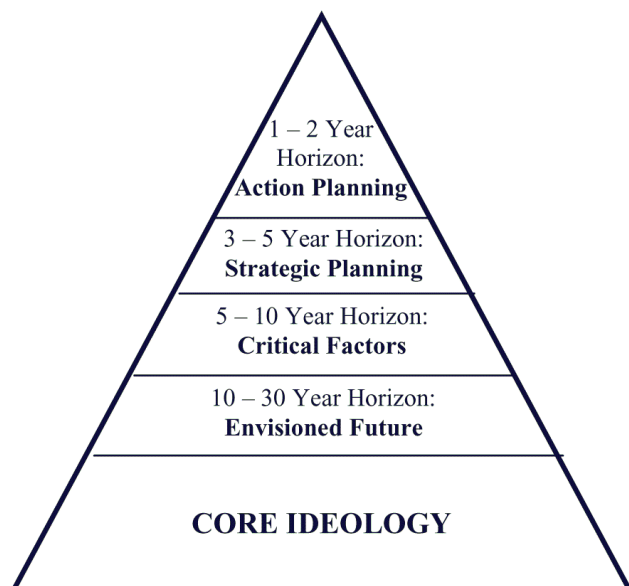
ACCP to Engage in 16-Month Strategic Planning Process

The goals of ACCP's ongoing strategic planning effort are to develop, implement, and monitor an integrated strategic plan for all facets of the organization. The College's strategic planning process operates on a 4- to 5- year cycle. Every fourth or fifth year, ACCP organizes a major planning initiative that includes broad representation of its membership. For example, nearly 1000 ACCP members provided input to the College's 2002 strategic plan.

This initiative creates and updates the College's strategic plan, identifies goals and objectives, and begins the process of developing action-oriented strategies to achieve the stated objectives. In the interim, the ACCP Board of Regents, Research Institute Board of Trustees, and Pharmacotherapy Board of Directors assume primary responsibility for establishing priorities, monitoring progress, and refining the plan as needed to reflect changes in environmental conditions.

The model presented in the accompanying figure includes four planning horizons, built on a foundation composed of ACCP's "Core Ideology" – that is, its core purpose and the

Figure. Strategic Planning Model



core values held by members. Over the next 16 months that extend through the College's Annual Meeting in October 2007, ACCP will conduct a thorough review and update of its strategic plan. The first 7 months will be devoted to reaffirming the College's core ideology and envisioned future; identifying critical issues expected to affect ACCP, its members, and the pharmacy profession during the next five to 10 years; and developing strategic directions to address the critical issues. The subsequent 9 months will be used to refine the College's strategic direction, determine goals and objectives, identify potential strategies, and establish priorities.

Member Participation Sought

You can help shape the future of your profession and ACCP. Significant input from College members is being sought at several key points over the next 16 months:

- June/July 2006: a survey of ACCP members, conducted via the College's Web site, will seek input on the College's existing core values, future visions, and critical issues for the pharmacy profession, ACCP members, and the organization;
- October 2006: several focus groups will be conducted during the College's 2006 Annual Meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, as part of conducting an analysis of critical issues for ACCP;
- November 2006: information gathered in October will be posted on the ACCP Web site for further input from members;
- Strategic Planning Meeting: a 2-day strategic planning session is planned for winter 2007. This will include a number of members-at-large who represent the full spectrum of the ACCP membership. Two of these members also will be asked to serve on the Strategic Planning Committee. This committee will guide the overall plan development process;
- 2007 Annual Meeting: the College's updated strategic plan will be presented and discussed during the annual Town Meeting.

You Can Volunteer

ACCP members who wish to participate in the focus groups scheduled for the 2006 Annual Meeting in St. Louis, or in the winter 2007 Strategic Planning Meeting, are encouraged to contact ACCP Executive Director Michael Maddux by e-mail at mmaddux@accp.com.

Meet Us in St. Louis!

Mark your calendars for ACCP's 2006 Annual Meeting Thursday, October 26 through Sunday, October 29, at the America's Center Convention Center in the heart of downtown St. Louis, Missouri. Go online today

<http://www.accp.com/am06.php> to register at early bird rates! Meeting activities get underway on Wednesday, October 25, with six premeeting symposia from which to choose. Topics include HIV pharmacotherapy, cardiovascular pharmacotherapy, controversies in critical care, leadership skills, clinical faculty and preceptor training, and special programming just for students.

"HIV Pharmacotherapy: An Update for the Practicing Clinician (and Occasional HIV Pharmacist)," runs from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Developed by the Infectious Diseases PRN, this half-day symposium will help attendees understand the role of newly approved antiretrovirals, incorporate resistance patterns into daily treatment decisions, and use drug interaction and antiretroviral monitoring research to minimize potential adverse outcomes in patients receiving these drugs. Presenters will identify appropriate regimens for patients initiating therapy and address practically the concerns of starting and changing courses of therapy in HIV-infected persons.

If cardiology is your area of interest, plan to attend the full-day symposium, "Update in Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapy: An Overview and Application of Recent Guidelines," presented by the Cardiology PRN. This afternoon program will discuss recently published guidelines, including Heart Failure Society of America Guidelines for the Management of Heart Failure, ACC/AHA Guidelines on Percutaneous Interventions, AHA Guidelines for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiovascular Care, and ACC/AHA Guidelines for the Management of Patients with Peripheral Arterial Disease. Controversies surrounding these new guidelines will be discussed, and practical applications of the guidelines, including patient case examples, will be presented.

"Current Controversies in Critical Care Pharmacotherapy: Incorporating Evidence into Practice," developed by the Critical Care PRN, will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This full-day symposium is designed for clinical pharmacists with an interest in critical care, but whose primary practice is in another specialty area. Attendees will be guided through a case and presented with controversial pharmacotherapeutic dilemmas. Presenters will review evidence for treating multiple complications of the patient's case and will construct an evidence-based approach to treatment.

Those wishing to improve their leadership skills should attend the full-day symposium titled "The Leadership of Self and Others." This symposium, part of the ACCP Leadership Series, is designed to motivate attendees to first lead themselves and then to lead others. The morning sessions will revolve around the significance of exploring one's own life and work in order to develop a personal mission statement. The afternoon session will focus on interpersonal applications and on understanding others to create a synergistic environment.

New faculty and preceptors will want to attend the annual offering of "Basic Training for New Clinical Faculty and Preceptors," a full-day symposium that serves as the foundational offering in the ACCP Academy Faculty Development Curriculum. A prerequisite for other required coursework in the ACCP Academy Teaching and Learning Certificate Program, this highly interactive symposium addresses teaching ability outcomes, critical thinking and



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social and professional events of the week and also discover how ACCP can meet career development needs. These premeeting symposia will fill up quickly so reserve your spot today! For complete meeting information and to register online, visit the ACCP Web site at <http://www.accp.com/am06.php>. Register by September 15 to receive the early bird rates.

Attention, Students—ACCP Student Meeting Award Fund Now Accepting Applications

Have you thought about attending an ACCP meeting, but you have limited financial resources available to cover your travel and registration costs? The Student Meeting Award Fund will help students who wish to attend an ACCP meeting by awarding a \$500 travel stipend and complimentary meeting registration. The Fund is now accepting award applications for the Annual Meeting in St. Louis, October 26-29, 2006.

How to Apply

Student members of ACCP who are full-time pharmacy students are invited to apply for the awards by downloading the instructions and application form at www.accp.com/studenttravel.pdf and submitting a completed application, a CV or resumé, two letters of reference, and a one-page essay. (If you are not an ACCP member, but would like to apply for an award, you can become a member by downloading a membership application at <http://www.accp.com/appstu.pdf>). Application packets must be received by August 18, 2006, by mail, fax, or e-mail. A panel of ACCP member judges will review the applications and select the winners for the 2006 Annual Meeting awards. Once judging is complete, all applicants will be notified of the winners by September 8, 2006.

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The Student Meeting Awards are administered through the ACCP Research Institute and funded by the Student Meeting Award Fund. Meeting awards will be available for each of ACCP's national meetings: the fall Annual Meeting and the Spring Practice and Research Forum.

What Students Can Expect at the Meeting

In addition to ACCP's regular meeting programming, student attendees can look forward to special premeeting programs that explore their future as healthcare providers and present key hints on how to select the right residency or fellowship. Student attendees are also welcome to attend any sessions during the meeting, including the Business Meetings and Networking Forums of any of ACCP's 21 Practice and Research Networks (PRNs) and the Opening Reception. Students are also encouraged to submit a poster for presentation in the student sections of the Scientific Poster Sessions. Find more detailed information about student programming at http://www.accp.com/stunet/stunet_am06.php.

For more information on the Student Meeting Award Fund, contact Melissa Morris, ACCP Membership Project Manager, at mmorris@accp.com, or (816) 531-2177, ext. 13.

ACCP Silent Auction. You Can Help!

Although it may seem like the 2006 ACCP Annual Meeting in October is still far in the future, it is time to start planning for another fun-filled ACCP Research Institute Silent Auction. And you can help!



Members enjoy the Silent Auction held at the 2005 Annual Meeting.

The Research Institute Reception and Silent Auction is a wonderful event that allows Annual Meeting attendees to have some fun and spend an enjoyable evening with their friends and colleagues, all while helping to support the ACCP Frontiers Fund. This year's Silent Auction will take place on Friday evening, October 27, as part of the 2006 ACCP Annual Meeting in St. Louis. (See <http://www.accp.com/am06.php> for more information about the Annual Meeting.)

You can easily support the ACCP Frontiers Fund by donating items to be included in the auction. You don't have to be in St. Louis to help out. In addition, the value of your item is considered a tax deductible contribution to the Research Institute.

The following are just a few examples of the nearly 140 wonderful items donated by more than 80 ACCP members to last year's auction:

- Artwork and Photography: underwater and landscape photography.
- Books and Subscriptions: cookbooks, online newsletters, textbooks.
- Clothing and Sports Equipment: handmade clothing and accessories, sports memorabilia, school logo clothing.
- Education and Training: minisabbatical experiences.
- Electronics: iPods, survival lantern.



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- Food and Regional Items: mail order steaks, lobster dinner, regional food baskets, wine...wine...wine.
- Home and Luxury Items: fine and handcrafted jewelry, pottery, home accessories.
- Travel and Recreation: time share weeks, golf packages, vacation travel.

Don't have anything to put up for auction? Cash contributions of at least \$100 will be used to obtain merchandise for the evening's raffles.

Please help! Send an e-mail to Research Institute Director Robert Elenbaas at relenbaas@accp.com that includes your name, the item to be donated, a brief description of the item, and the item's dollar value.

Remember, it's for an excellent cause!

Washington Report

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Brief Reports from the Washington Office

Often, given the number of issues and opportunities that are being pursued here in the Washington office, it is a challenge to choose a single issue or topic on for this column. This dilemma seems particularly true in the summer of '06. The current Congress is slowly grinding and posturing its way toward the fall election by paying little if any attention to significant health policy or professional education issues. The political climate is, to observers who have been around for the past two decades or so, the most partisan and uncompromising (and consequently most nonproductive) in memory.

And yet activities and developments of importance to ACCP and its members continue either to emerge or to require continuing emphasis and commitment. To that end, the following brief reports highlight some current developments and activities of interest.

Legislation Introduced to Enhance MTM Provisions Under Medicare Part D

On April 6, 2006, Senator Thad Cochran (R-MS), together with Senators Michael Enzi (R-WY) and Jim Talent (R-MO), introduced legislation—the Pharmacists Access and Recognition in Medicare (PhARM) Act (S. 2563)—to address some of the initial challenges and problems presented by the Medicare Part D prescription drug program. Of particular importance to ACCP members, this bill would require the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to develop additional guidance to prescription drug plans (PDPs) on the

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structure and enhancement of their medication therapy management (MTM) programs.

The PhARM Act specifically aims to:

- Improve payment processing times by requiring prompt payment of “clean” (i.e., properly completed and filed) claims;
- Decrease confusion about where beneficiaries can use their Medicare drug coverage by prohibiting co-branding on beneficiary identification cards;
- Enhance the pharmacist’s role in improving medication use by standardizing medication therapy management programs and establishing a two-year community-based MTM demonstration program.

A companion bill has been introduced in the House of Representatives by Congressman Walter Jones—H.R. 5182, the Fair and Speedy Treatment (FAST) of Medicare Prescription Drug Claims Act of 2006. This bill has the same MTM provision as S. 2563.

In collaboration with Senator Cochran’s current health fellow (and ACCP member) Leigh Ann Ross, we are working to make other Senators aware of the legislation and its importance to improved MTM programs within the new Part D benefit.

ACCP Joins the Newly Formed Pharmacy Quality Alliance

Also in April, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Administrator Mark B. McClellan, M.D., Ph.D. announced the formation of the Pharmacy Quality Alliance (PQA), a collaborative effort among the pharmacy community, health plans, government, employers, physicians, and consumer groups aimed at both defining and improving health care quality associated with the use of medications.

The development of the alliance was prompted by both the legislative history of the Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) and the implementing regulations established by CMS for the Medicare Part D drug benefit. The approach mirrors similar efforts with two other “health care quality” initiatives established in recent years and supported by CMS: the “Hospital Quality Alliance” and the “Ambulatory Care Quality Alliance.”

As noted on its Web site (www.pqaalliance.org) the PQA mission is to “improve health care quality and patient safety through a collaborative process in which key stakeholders agree on a strategy for measuring performance at the pharmacy and pharmacist levels; collecting data in the least burdensome way; and reporting meaningful information to consumers, pharmacists, employers, health insurance plans, and other healthcare decision-makers to help make informed choices, improve outcomes, and stimulate the development of new payment models.”

ACCP has joined the PQA and will be represented on the alliance’s two working groups by ACCP members Stuart T. Haines, Macary W. Marciniak, and Mary Roth, as well as ACCP staff. The College’s representatives will work to ensure that the development of policies and metrics, which will provide guidance to various audiences for the assessment of quality of medication use and pharmacy services, includes the perspective and values of clinical pharmacists.

National Practitioner Identifier Number—the Final Countdown Begins

Less than a year remains for health care providers, including pharmacists, to obtain a “national practitioner identifier” (NPI) number. Health care providers, **including pharmacists**, were

able to begin applying for their NPI on May 23, 2005, as previously published in the ACCP Report. The NPI is a standardized, unique 10-digit number that will be used to identify health care providers in electronic transactions with federal and state programs such as Medicare and Medicaid, and in claim transactions with other third-party payers. The NPI is intended to remove the need for providers to have multiple identification and/or billing numbers for communication with various health plans or payers. This was mandated as part of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 to promote greater standardization and efficiency in health care delivery.

“Covered health care providers” under HIPAA are required to obtain an NPI. A covered health care provider is a health care provider who electronically transmits any health information between two parties to carry out financial and administrative activities and claims related to health care. Pharmacies and some pharmacists (those who transmit information electronically and/or bill on their own behalf, not on a pharmacy’s behalf) are considered a covered health care provider under HIPAA and are required to obtain a NPI.

ACCP strongly recommends that all members, indeed all pharmacists, regardless of their current practice setting or structure, apply for their individual NPI number. As the practice of clinical pharmacy continues to evolve, the NPI will serve a vital function in identifying the pharmacist as a provider of patient care services. The Web site for NPI application is: <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/StaticForward.do?forward=static.instructions>

First Pharmacy Policy Fellow Selected

George Neyarapally, Pharm.D., M.P.H., has been selected as the inaugural Fellow in the Pharmacy Healthcare Fellow Program, a new joint venture of the Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy, ACCP, and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists. This year-long experience is designed to immerse the fellow in the academic, legislative, regulatory, and professional association environments from which various perspectives on the development and evaluation of Federal healthcare policy emanate. It is structured to help prepare the individual for a career as a congressional staff member, as an agency policy development staff member or congressional liaison, or as a government affairs or policy staff member for a professional society or within the pharmaceutical industry. Information on the program may be found at (<http://www.pharmacy.vcu.edu/publicpolicy/index.html>)

Dr. Neyarapally received his Pharm.D. degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and has just completed studies for his M.P.H. degree from Johns Hopkins University. He previously participated in an elective rotation in policy/government affairs with the American Pharmacists Association. He will spend one month of his fellow year with the ACCP staff in Washington, including participation in the College’s annual meeting in St. Louis. Staff Expansion in Washington

Plans are proceeding for the addition of a second staff member in ACCP’s Washington, DC, office. Recruitment will begin shortly for the position of Assistant Director, Government Affairs. The new staff position will have primary responsibility for daily government affairs legislative tracking, issues management and communication, assistance in the

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development and operation of the ACCP Advocates grassroots program, and other activities within the Washington office.

As one can see, since the opening of the Washington office in 2000, the increase in number and diversity of activities and opportunities in the government and professional affairs arenas have paralleled the growth of ACCP itself. Going forward, we anticipate additional opportunities, more programs and services, and greater influence and impact on health care policy and advocacy by ACCP and its members.

Leadership Development: Responsibility—Lose It to Use It

(Ed. Note: The following is the first in a recurring series of columns adapted from management and leadership articles written by LeaderPoint's Jon Hope. LeaderPoint is the organization with which ACCP partners to provide the Leadership Experience.* You needn't have "manager" as part of your job title to benefit from this series or from the concepts developed in the Leadership Experience. We hope you will enjoy and benefit from these columns.)

We've all seen those people who get things done despite obstacles and who seem to be driven by a sense of responsibility. How do we as managers encourage our staff to develop a sense of responsibility?

Responsibility is a useful, misunderstood concept that is often confused with morality or character. In truth, managers should value responsibility because responsible individuals remain focused and active even when faced with overwhelming pressures.

Responsibility is often confused with accountability. Accountability is a set of expectations created by one person for another. Responsibility is a set of expectations that people create for themselves. Both are required in the work setting.

Accountability is often delegated, but responsibility cannot be delegated. Accountability requires the formal, communicated expectation of outcomes as a normal and necessary part of management. Responsibility is accepted as a natural and necessary part of everyday life. So what's the problem with incorporating these two compatible concepts in the workplace? The answer is that we do not make our expectations clear to our subordinates, and we reserve too much responsibility for ourselves. Jack Welch, former chief executive officer of General Electric, calls on leaders and managers to have the intellectual strength to clearly spell out expectations if employees are to accept the responsibility necessary to make the workplace function effectively.

Employees can accept responsibility only if managers allow them to. Managers who hold on to the responsibility for accomplishing the outcome prevent subordinates from taking charge. Ironically, a manager with a strong sense of responsibility (good) can limit the subordinate's ability to assume responsibility (bad). Few subordinates have the courage or capability to defend their work against a manager who won't let go.

Often managers fail to understand that it is usually unproductive to tell someone else how to do something. Many managers explain how they complete tasks by offering a list of their techniques. People complete tasks in a variety of ways because their actions are based on a unique understanding and their own set of individual skills. Ultimately, managers can best

encourage a sense of responsibility by focusing on accountability. After making expectations to subordinates clear, assess whether the work is done and whether the outcomes are achieved using the allocated resources. If so, do not criticize how the task was completed. Instead, be willing to let go of the project and celebrate its successful outcome.

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* *The next ACCP Leadership Experience, a multiday management and leadership development experience, will take place November 6-9, 2006. For information, visit <http://www.leaderpoint.biz/accp.htm>.*

Pharmacotherapy Pearls

Fact and Comparisons

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With 2005 behind us, we would like to share with you some of *Pharmacotherapy's* performance measures. As you will see, the performance of the journal has continued to trend in a very positive direction.

New Manuscript Submissions to *Pharmacotherapy*^a

<u>Year</u>	<u>No. of Submissions</u>
1995	171
1996	205
1997	216
1998	228
1999	233
2000	309
2001	291
2002	308
2003	365
2004	395
2005	353

^aExcludes supplements.

Numbers of Articles and Pages Published^a

<u>Year</u>	<u>No. of Articles</u>	<u>No. of Pages</u>
1995	106	832
1996	153	1224
1997	180	1351
1998	165	1380
1999	194	1462
2000	186	1515
2001	189	1578
2002	202	1635
2003	198	1666
2004	206	1807
2005	202	1820

^aExcludes supplements and advertising pages.

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Manuscript Turnaround Time

Turnaround times (median times in months) from time of manuscript receipt to accept/reject judgment, time for author to complete all revisions, and the time from acceptance of final revision to publication are as follows:

Year	Median Time (mo)			Total Turnaround Time
	Manuscript Receipt to Judgment	Revision Time	Revision Receipt to Publication	
1995	2.3	1.8	6.5	10.6
1996	2.3	1.9	7.9	12.1
1997	2.1	1.8	5.2	9.1
1998	2.1	1.9	4.8	8.8
1999	1.9	1.8	4.5	8.2
2000	1.9	1.9	3.8	7.6
2001	2.0	2.0	3.2	7.2
2002	2.0	2.1	3.0	7.1
2003	2.1	1.9	3.3	7.3
2004	1.8	1.2	5.1	8.1
2005	1.6	1.7	5.3	8.6

ISI Impact Factor

The Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) impact factor reported each year reflects data from the previous 2 years. The 2004 impact factor (the most recent available) is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Number of cites in 2004 to articles published in 2002 and 2003}}{\text{Number of articles published in 2002 and 2003}}$$

Ranking in the pharmacy and pharmacology journal category is by "x/N," where "x" is the rank and "N" is the number of journals. Comparative data with other journals in this category are also shown below:

Year	PPI	DICP	AJHP	CP&T
1998				
IF	1.169	1.276	1.044	4.394
x/178	84	77	93	12
1999				
IF	1.376	1.610	1.085	4.846
x/175	75	63	98	11
2000				
IF	1.724	1.868	1.154	5.275
x/181	69	61	103	7
2001				
IF	1.651	1.729	1.385	5.061
x/186	73	68	93	10
2002				
IF	1.924	1.796	1.305	5.336
x/188	69	77	109	11
2003				
IF	2.002	1.822	1.440	6.141
X/184	73	90	105	9
2004				
IF	2.277	1.739	1.213	6.825
x/186	63	98	128	10

IF = impact factor; PPI = Pharmacotherapy; DICP = Annals of Pharmacotherapy; AJHP = American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy; CP&T = Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Please contact us if you have any questions or comments on these positive trends for your journal.

2006 Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Course Instructional Materials Now Available

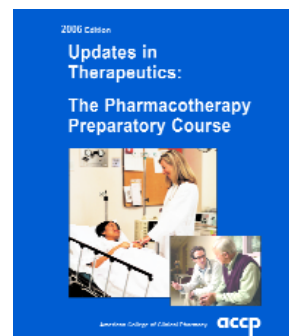
Instructional materials are now available for the 2006 edition of Updates in Therapeutics: The Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Course, the same course that is presented live each year during ACCP's Spring Practice and Research Forum.

Updates in Therapeutics: The Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Course is ideal for pharmacy professionals who are preparing for the Pharmacotherapy Specialty Certification Examination administered by the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties and for those seeking a self-paced review and refresher of disease states and therapeutics. Developed by Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialists, the course content provides a comprehensive review of the knowledge domains covered in the Pharmacotherapy Specialty Certification Examination. The course uses a case-based approach, with strong emphasis on the thought processes needed to solve patient care problems in each therapeutic area.

Course materials are presented in a variety of formats to suit different learning styles. Continuing pharmacy education credit is available through successful completion of online post-tests. The maximum number of continuing pharmacy education credits available for the preparatory course is 20.0 hours. Instructional materials are available in the following formats: Course workbook. Presenter handouts are provided in a spiral-bound book. These materials include case studies, study questions with answer explanations, and literature citations for further reference.

- **Online book.** Information contained in the printed course workbook is also available in this online version. The online book provides access to course workbook contents as Portable Document Format (PDF) files.
- **CD-ROM.** The CD-ROM includes the presenters' lectures, which are audio-synchronized to the slide presentations from the live program. The CD-ROM is both PC and Macintosh compatible. (The CD-ROM is not CD-Audio compatible.)
- **CD-ROM and Course Workbook with CE.** This package includes the full course workbook and a CD-ROM, plus access to the Web-based post-tests for continuing pharmacy education credit.
- **Web-based Online Course with CE.** This combination provides participants with the online workbook and includes the presenters' lectures, which are audio-synchronized to the slide presentations from the live program. The online course additionally provides participants access to the Web-based post-tests for continuing pharmacy education credit.
- **CD-ROM and Online Workbook with CE.** This package includes the CD-ROM and full course online workbook, plus access to the Web-based post-tests for continuing pharmacy education credit.

Instructional components also are priced for individual sale. Orders for Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Course



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instructional materials may be placed online at http://www.accp.com/th_06bcps.php. Orders may also be placed by phone at (816) 531-2177, or by fax at (816) 531-5055.

Prices	Member	Nonmember
Print Workbook and CD-ROM with CE Credit	\$285.00	\$400.00
Online Workbook and CD-ROM with CE Credit	\$275.00	\$390.00
Online Course with CE Credit	\$260.00	\$385.00
CD-ROM	\$180.00	\$275.00
Print Workbook	\$125.00	\$175.00
Online Workbook	\$110.00	\$160.00

This course is supported in part by educational grants from Amgen, Berlex Oncology, and Schering-Plough.



The American College of Clinical Pharmacy is approved by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education. To receive ACPE credit, the Web-based post-test must be completed, and a score of 70% or above achieved. The Universal Program Numbers are: Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Course Online, 2006 Edition: Endocrine and Metabolic Disorders; Infectious Diseases; Acute Care Cardiology, 217-000-06-011-H01, 3.0 contact hours; Biostatistics—A Refresher; Clinical Trial Design; Biostatistical Applications, 217-000-06-012-H01, 3.0 contact hours; Ambulatory Care; HIV/Infectious Diseases, 217-000-06-013-H01, 2.0 contact hours; Nephrology; Critical Care; Outpatient Cardiology, 217-000-06-014-H01, 3.0 contact hours; Fluids, Electrolytes, and Nutrition; General Psychiatry, 217-000-06-015-H01, 2.0 contact hours; Geriatrics; Pharmacokinetics—A Refresher; Pediatrics, 217-000-06-016-H01, 3.0 contact hours; Oncology Supportive Care; Gastrointestinal Disorders; Men's and Women's Health; and Neurology, 217-000-06-017-H01, 4.0 contact hours.



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Register Now for ACCP Leadership Experience November 6-9

The ACCP Leadership Experience, an intense 3½-day course in management and leadership, will be held November 6-9 in Phoenix, Arizona. Enrollment in this highly interactive course is limited to 24 registrants. Register now to ensure a place in the course.

Course tailored for leaders and managers

Designed for those who hold, or will soon assume, significant management responsibilities, the Leadership Experience uses both didactic and experiential learning methodologies to empower participants to integrate a comprehensive, systematic management and leadership model into their daily personal and professional work. Course participants are also eligible to earn 30.0 hours of continuing pharmacy education credit.

Curriculum Addresses Key Management Topics

The course curriculum is a product of extensive research to determine the specific skills required for exceptional management and leadership. Participants will learn the following key management and leadership topics:

- Recognizing the difference between management and leadership and how they should be applied.
- Developing an understanding of how to increase cooperation within and between work groups.
- Applying strategic planning to real-world management settings.
- Learning how to intervene when required results are not achieved.
- Identifying and correcting dysfunctional group dynamics.
- Recognizing and removing barriers that prevent people from focusing on their work.

Rave Reviews

Here's what some past ACCP participants say about The Leadership Experience:

- "Overall an excellent learning opportunity. The variety of 'real world' and didactics complemented each other and the learning process."
- "Working through the simulation experience with peers was an excellent way to learn, share, network, and grow!"
- "It helped me understand why policy is an excellent tool in management."
- "An amazing experience! I am grateful to have experienced this session so early in my leadership/management career."

Learn More About ACCP Leadership Experience

More information about the ACCP Leadership Experience is available through the LeaderPoint Web site at <http://www.leaderpoint.biz/accp.htm>. Through the Web site, access a detailed schedule of the ACCP Leadership Experience, course learning objectives, continuing pharmacy education credit, and information on enrollment and fees. Once you make your decision to register for the Leadership Experience, the LeaderPoint Web site also offers online registration for the course. Remember, the course is limited to 24 registrants, so enroll early to ensure your place in the ACCP Leadership Experience.

New Online NIH Course Offers Insight into the Importance of Sex and Gender Differences in Human Health

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH), in collaboration with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Office of Women's Health (OWH), has announced the launch of a new online course, "The Science of Sex and Gender in Human Health." The course offers participants a basic scientific understanding of the major physiological differences

between the sexes, their influence on illness and health outcomes, and their implications for policy, medical research, and health care.

"This online course will be an excellent resource for investigators and clinicians, ensuring a better understanding of sex and gender differences."

— Kathleen Uhl, M.D.

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Designed for researchers, clinicians, members of academia, and students in health professional schools, this course was created to emphasize the importance of looking at the roles of sex and gender in clinical research and treatment and builds upon the Institute of Medicine (IOM) report, "Exploring the Biological Contributions to Human Health: Does Sex Matter," issued in 2001 for which NIH and FDA were co-funders.

This course is free, self-paced, and consists of six lessons that cover definitions of sex and gender; the development and implementation of applicable Federal guidelines and regulations; cell physiology; developmental biology; pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics; and clinical applications of genomics. The course can be accessed at <http://sexandgendercourse.od.nih.gov/>.

Participants who complete the course will receive a certificate from the NIH. A second module, which will apply the basic concepts presented in this course to specific conditions and organ systems where sex differences play a significant role, is in development.

For more information about NIH's Office of Research on Women's Health, visit <http://orwh.od.nih.gov/>. For more information about FDA's Office of Women's Health, go to <http://www.fda.gov/womens/>.

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Awards, Promotions, Grants, etc.

Jerry Bauman, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, has been appointed interim dean at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Pharmacy....**Jill Burkiewicz**, Pharm.D., BCPS, was recently selected as the 2006 Nontraditional Pharm.D. Program Teacher of the Year at Midwestern University's Chicago College of Pharmacy....**Henry Bussey**, Pharm.D., FCCP, has received the 2006 Pinnacle Award for Individual Career Achievement in recognition of his clinical research and patient care advocacy in cardiovascular therapeutics and antithrombotic therapy....**Patricia Chase**, Ph.D., has been selected as dean at West Virginia University School of Pharmacy....**Wafa Dahdal**, Pharm.D., BCPS, recently earned tenure at the rank of associate professor at the Midwestern University Chicago College of Pharmacy....**Lesbia Hernandez**, Pharm.D., M.P.H., has been named dean at the University of Puerto Rico School of Pharmacy....**Julie Hixson-Wallace**, Pharm.D., BCPS, was recently selected as dean of the Harding University College of Pharmacy....**Judi Jacobi**, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, has been elevated to the executive committee of the Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM). She will assume the position of SCCM President in 2010, becoming the first-ever pharmacist president of that society....**Amie McCord**, Pharm.D., BCPS, recently earned tenure at the rank of associate professor at the Midwestern University Chicago College of Pharmacy....**Carrie Sincak**, Pharm.D., BCPS, has been promoted to the rank of associate professor of pharmacy practice at the Midwestern University Chicago College of Pharmacy.

New Members

Mashaal Al Shaikh
Mike Andrus
Eun-Jin Bae
Cynthia Boyle
Salome Bwayo
Sandra Calenda
Hua Chen
Yuk Ying Cheung
Jeffrey Cies
Stacey Curtiss
Sara Dadayan
Oanh Dang
Kathy Dasse
Shawn Davis
Dawn DeAngelo
David Decker
Jessica Dicks
Amy Dill
Cheryl Haag
Ross Hemmer
LaWanda Higgins
Mohammed Ibrahim
Kurt Johnston
Veena Kamath
Shakeel Khan
Teresa Kwong
Dennis Lee

Ciara Luna
Scott McLain
Christine Mulcair
Anne Myrka
William Neff
Heather Pace
Daniel Pak
Katie Pallotta
Priya Patel
Gayle Pearson
Alexis Platt
Monica Puebla
Rima Rabah
Mary Roswarski
Rheta Sandoval
Annette Sanford
Brianna Schmid
Stacy Schoepke
Lisa Skariah
Mikayla Spangler
Eunyoung Suh
Stephanie Thune
Angela Tice
Lila Vecino
Jennifer Wallace
Christy Weiland
Frances Wong
Rony Zeenny

The following individuals recently advanced from Associate to Full Member

Neil Barrington
Sandra Benavides
Scott Bolesta
Cynthia Borda
Timothy Brenner
Reamer Bushardt
Joshua Caballero
John Faragon
David Ferris
Kezia Finley
Brenda Gleason
Jeremy Johnson
John Johnson
Salmaan Kanji
Mary Jayne Kennedy
J. David Ketchum
Michael Kotlyar
Pamela Lada
Chelsea Landgraf
April Laney
Jennifer Le
Leanne Leung
James Lewis

Susan Lottimer
Grant Lum
Robert Maloney
Amber Polk-Coleman
Seonggil Ryu
Ryan Schimmer
Scot Simpson
Audrea Szabatura
Renee Weng

New Member Recruiters

Many thanks to the following individuals for recruiting colleagues to join them as ACCP members:

Brooke Beavers
Janelle Berg
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Donna Ginsberg
Stuart Haines
J. Maria Mikuta
Oussayma Moukhachen
Robert Mowers
Timothy Nikstad
Laura Shane-McWhorter

Clinical Pharmacy Faculty Position Drug Information

South Carolina College of Pharmacy (SCCP) – MUSC Campus

This 12-month tenure-track or nontenure-track appointment in the Department of Pharmacy and Clinical Sciences is available immediately.

General Duties. The position entails traditional faculty duties, including clinical and didactic teaching; service to the department, college and university; and an active program of scholarship. The faculty member is expected to contribute to the administration and delivery of departmental didactic courses and clinical clerkships. He/she will also provide training for pharmacy residents. Service on various departmental and college committees is expected. In addition, the faculty member will serve as the Manager of Drug Information Services in the Department of Pharmacy Services within the Medical University of South Carolina Medical Center. The successful candidate will also serve as program director of the residency in drug information, a joint program of the MUSC Medical Center and College. A service obligation of 8 months is anticipated. Lastly, the faculty member will explore and develop opportunities for statewide initiatives for drug information services designed to benefit both SCCP campuses, as well as the College's health-system partners.

Qualifications. The faculty member should hold the doctor of pharmacy degree, should have completed two years of postgraduate residency training and/or a fellowship or equivalent experience, and have several years of experience as a drug information practitioner, preferably with supervisory/leadership responsibilities. The faculty member is expected to be board certified in Pharmacotherapy or to become certified within 2 years of employment.

Rank and Salary. Faculty rank (assistant or associate professor) and salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications.

Applicants should send a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference to:

**Anne Spencer, Pharm.D.
Chair, Faculty Search Committee
Department of Pharmacy & Clinical Sciences
South Carolina College of Pharmacy – MUSC Campus
280 Calhoun Street
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Clinical Faculty in Drug Information

University of Michigan College of Pharmacy

The University of Michigan College of Pharmacy is accepting applications for a nontenure-track clinical faculty position in drug information. The individual in this full-time, clinical faculty position will work at the University of Michigan Health Systems.

Maintenance of an active clinical service in drug information; individual and collaborative scholarship/research activities; and didactic/experiential teaching are expected in this position. The successful candidate will preferably hold the doctor of pharmacy degree, have completed residency training or gained equivalent experience, and be eligible for pharmacy licensure in Michigan.

This position is available immediately. Interested individuals should submit a letter of interest, three letters of recommendation, and a curriculum vitae to:

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