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Bratberg, Coleman, Flynn to Receive ACCP Honors

ACCP members Jeffrey Bratberg, Pharm.D., BCPS; Craig Coleman, Pharm.D.; and Jeremy Flynn, Pharm.D., BCPS, were selected by the 2008 ACCP Awards Committee to receive the College's prestigious 2009 New Educator, New Investigator, and New Clinical Practitioner Awards, respectively. The awards will be presented in Orlando on Monday, April 27, 2009, during the Opening General Session of the 2009 International Congress on Clinical Pharmacy.

The ACCP New Educator Award is given to recognize and honor a new educator for outstanding contributions to the discipline of teaching and to the education of health care practitioners. The awardee must have been a Full Member of ACCP at the time of nomination and a member at any level for a minimum of 3 years; in addition, the awardee must have completed his/her terminal training or degree less than 6 years previously. Jeffrey P. Bratberg, Pharm.D., BCPS, is Clinical Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice at the University of Rhode Island (URI). He also serves as Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at the Brown University Medical School and Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Infectious Diseases at Roger Williams Medical Center in Providence, Rhode Island. Dr. Bratberg is involved in the clinical education of students in the schools of pharmacy, medicine, and nursing. His teaching evaluations consistently reflect those of an exceptionally student-centered instructor. A colleague commented in her letter of support, "I have been especially impressed by Professor Bratberg's ability to create authentic assignments and evaluation procedures. The innovations [he] has introduced into the pharmacy curriculum take students beyond memorizing drug characteristics and applying them to formulaic case studies. . . . Professor Bratberg uses case studies, to be sure, but they tend to be more authentic representatives of the real challenges clinicians face. . . ." He currently coordinates the infectious diseases core therapeutics course at URI, teaches an elective course on advanced infectious diseases and pulmonary diseases, and precepts students on his infectious diseases rotation.

The New Investigator Award recognizes an ACCP member who has made a major impact on an aspect of clinical pharmaceutical science. The awardee must have



Jeffrey Bratberg,
Pharm.D., BCPS

been a member of ACCP for more than 3 years; must have completed his/her terminal training or degree less than 6 years previously; and must have a research program with a significant publication record having a programmatic theme or an especially noteworthy single publication. Craig I. Coleman, Pharm.D., is a tenure-track assistant professor of pharmacy practice at the University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy. Dr. Coleman's research focuses on pharmacoconomics and outcomes, with an emphasis on preventing cardiothoracic surgery-associated adverse events. At the time of his nomination, he had been a lead or senior author of more than 40 research abstracts, published more than 30 peer-reviewed research manuscripts, and received numerous competitive research awards, including an ACCP Research Institute Grant Award. His meat-analysis on the impact of *Echinacea* on common cold incidence and duration, published in *The Lancet Infectious Diseases*, was cited in major media outlets across the country, including *Good Morning America*, *The Today Show*, *USA Today*, CNN, and BBC News, among others. One of Dr. Coleman's letters of support states, "I would contend that Craig is one of the most prolific young clinical pharmacy researchers in the country. Craig's work is of the level one would expect from a much more senior scientist. . . ." Dr. Coleman will deliver the annual New Investigator Award Lecture at 2:30 p.m. during the April 27 awards session in Orlando.

The New Clinical Practitioner Award honors a new clinical practitioner who has made outstanding contributions to the health of patients and/or the practice of clinical pharmacy. The awardee must have been a Full Member of ACCP at the time of nomination, as well as a member at any level for a minimum of 3 years; in addition, the awardee must have completed his/her terminal training or degree less than 6 years previously. Jeremy D. Flynn, Pharm.D., BCPS, is Critical Care Specialist in Surgical Critical Care at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center and Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science and the Department of Surgery at the University of Kentucky Colleges of Pharmacy and Medicine, respectively. His practice focuses on critical care



Craig Coleman,
Pharm.D.



Jeremy Flynn,
Pharm.D., BCPS

in general and the pharmacotherapy of patients undergoing cardiothoracic surgery in particular. The Chief of the University of Kentucky Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery wrote in his letter of support for Dr. Flynn's nomination, "He has assumed a truly hands-on role and developed a very close working relationship with the cardiothoracic surgeons and staff in our intensive care unit. . . Largely through Jeremy's efforts, our clinical practice has flourished. The safety and use of numerous drugs is monitored on a daily basis by Jeremy and his students and countless helpful suggestions come from these sources. . . ." In 2004, his first year as a member of the pharmacy residency program faculty, Dr. Flynn received the Residency Preceptor of the Year Award from the pharmacy residents at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center for his exceptional efforts in resident teaching and mentoring. In addition, he has published and presented numerous papers as an extension of his practice that focus on improved patient outcomes in the critical care setting.

The members of the 2008 ACCP Awards Committee were Dawn Havrda (Chair), Amanda Corbett (Vice Chair), Michael Bentley, Cheryl Chow, Mark Garrison, Mary Hayney, Jennifer Le, Thomas Majerus, April Miller, Jean Nappi, Robert Parker, Katie Suda, and Scott Sutton.

Curricular Programming at International Congress

This spring, join other clinical pharmacists from around the world at the 2009 ACCP/ESCP International Congress on Clinical Pharmacy. On April 24–28, join your colleagues to exchange best practices and discuss hot topics in the global health care arena. Meeting events will be held at the Orange County Convention Center and Rosen Centre Hotel in sunny Orlando, Florida. Register online at <http://www.accp.com/congress> and begin planning your Congress itinerary.

The Congress agenda includes core curricular programming covering many of the hot topics in health care today:

- Curricular Track 1: Technology and Medication Safety
- Curricular Track 2: Complementary and Alternative Medications
- Curricular Track 3: Impact of Pharmacogenomics and Culture on Medication Use and Safety
- Curricular Track 4: Medication Error Assessment and Strategies for Error Prevention

These Curricular Tracks run throughout the meeting week and include interactive workshops for hands-on application of key concepts. Technology and Medication Safety is the focus of track 1, with opening sessions discussing the current and future impact of both provider- and patient-oriented technologies on medication safety, as well as the clinical pharmacist's role in ensuring appropriate use of these technologies to optimize patient outcomes. Also discussed will be the technologies designed for care in home-based settings and applications that have been documented to improve safe medication administration and increase adherence. Two accompanying workshops will provide participants the opportunity for hands-on use of various software and technology applications.

Curricular Track 2 includes a pro-con debate on case-based evidence, focusing on kava and mono versus combination therapy. The following day, attendees can participate in a workshop designed to increase their CAM counseling skills. Discussions continue on day 3 with the importance of reporting adverse drug reactions associated with CAM, from both the European and North American perspectives. The second workshop for this track will focus on the use of CAM in clinical practice—attendees will be engaged in finding, interpreting, and evaluating CAM resources.

The impact of pharmacogenomics and culture on medication use and safety is the focus of Curricular Track 3. The opening session of this track will include discussions focusing on oncology therapy, cardiovascular therapy, and infectious diseases therapy. Sunday's workshop, focused on challenges posed by the clinical applications of pharmacogenomics, will offer participants a chance to critique pharmacogenomic study designs and discuss justifications for universal testing, including whether this testing should be covered by health plans. Monday morning's session will explore the health care beliefs that influence medication safety among major religious and ethnic groups. Finally, the closing case-based workshop for this track will include discussions on individualized care and cultural issues that affect patient care.

Curricular Track 4 focuses on error assessment and strategies for prevention. Advances in both North American and European hospitals and community settings will be discussed. Workshops for this track will include drug-related problem assessment and reporting strategies to increase the quantity and quality of reported events. Day 3 presentations will include sharing best practices, examining health care system differences, and comparing and contrasting practices across the globe. The closing workshop in this track will provide suggested approaches to establishing steps for preventing medication errors in a variety of practice settings.

In addition to these curricular track programs and workshops, meeting registrants will benefit from ACCP PRN-ESCP SIG–developed programs, networking events, and the ACCP Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Course. Attendees can also participate in the International Pediatric Pharmacy and Clinical Pharmacology Symposium, presented by the Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group (PPAG). With one registration, you will have access to all three meetings! Visit the ACCP Web site (<http://www.accp.com/congress>) to access the complete meeting schedule and to register online. See you in Orlando!

Dahdal Joins ACCP as Associate Director of Professional Development

Wafa Y. Dahdal, Pharm.D., BCPS (AQ Cardiology), has been named ACCP Associate Director of Professional Development after a national search conducted this fall. She will oversee the planning, development, and delivery of key components of the College's professional development products and services, including the *Pharmacotherapy Self-Assessment Program* (PSAP) and the ACCP Academy.



Wafa Y. Dahdal,
Pharm.D., BCPS
(AQ Cardiology)

Dr. Dahdal received her doctor of pharmacy degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago and completed residency training at St. Louis University Hospital. She has served on the faculty of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy and the Midwestern University Chicago College of Pharmacy, where she was professor of pharmacy practice before joining ACCP. Dr. Dahdal has been a member of ACCP since 1994 and has served as president of the Gateway College of Clinical Pharmacy and on numerous ACCP committees. She currently serves as secretary of the Academic Pharmacy Section and member of the Board of Pharmaceutical Practice of the International Pharmaceutical Federation. She has presented and published on issues related to cardiovascular pharmacotherapy, curricular reform, global standards for pharmacy education, ability-based education, and active learning.

"I'm excited about joining ACCP and look forward to contributing to the College's development of new and innovative professional development services for clinical pharmacists," Dahdal commented. "As a current and past subscriber to PSAP and other ACCP services, I have a real appreciation for the need to provide high-quality, cutting-edge products that will be useful to clinicians, educators, and researchers. It is a distinct pleasure for me to serve the College as a member of its staff."

"We are thrilled to have Wafa join our staff and help lead the development and enhancement of ACCP's professional development offerings," noted ACCP Director of Professional Development Nancy Perrin. "She brings a wealth of clinical and academic experience to this position. In addition, as member of the College, she shares ACCP's professional vision and core values." Dr. Dahdal will join the ACCP staff on January 12, 2009.

ACCP Papers Released on ACCP.com

Several papers developed by ACCP members and committees were recently published on the ACCP Web site. Most ACCP-developed papers now appear on the ACCP Web site as early, pre-publication drafts before their publication in the College's official journal, *Pharmacotherapy*.

Among the group of recently released papers is a timely ACCP White Paper recommending a new framework for specialist certification and the first installment in a new series of ACCP Student Primers, "Pharmacy Practice Research Careers." Visit <http://www.accp.com/govt/positionPapers.aspx> to download any of the new entries below.

1. 2008 ACCP Certification Affairs Committee. Proposed revision to the existing specialty and specialist certification framework for pharmacy practitioners.
2. Smith JA, Olson KL, Sowinski KM. Pharmacy practice research careers. *Pharmacotherapy* (in press).
3. Ernst EJ, Klepser ME, Bosso JA, et al. Recommendations for training and certification for pharmacists practicing, mentoring, and educating in infectious diseases pharmacotherapy. An opinion of the Society of Infectious Diseases Pharmacists and the ACCP Infectious Diseases PRN. *Pharmacotherapy* (in press).

4. Page RL, Hume AL, Trujillo JM, et al. Interprofessional education: principles and application. A framework for clinical pharmacy. *Pharmacotherapy* (in press).
5. The American College of Clinical Pharmacy. ACCP position statement: interprofessional education and practice. *Pharmacotherapy* (in press).

December Special: Residents and Fellows Can Join ACCP for Half Price!

Attention residents and fellows: From now through December 31, first-time resident or fellow members of ACCP can join for just \$37.50—half off the regular resident and fellow member rate!

ACCP resident or fellow members have access to several important membership benefits, including:

- **Deeply discounted rates for the 2009 Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Course and International Congress on Clinical Pharmacy in Orlando, Florida, April 24–28:** Considering BCPS certification? Want to network with clinical pharmacists from around the world? Take advantage of special member rates—register for the Prep Course/International Congress by March 9 and save \$170 on the nonmember late registration rate!
- **Reduced rates on Pharmacotherapy Board Certification preparatory materials for home study:** Prepare for your specialty board examination with electronic or print study materials available to you at discounted rates.
- **Member discounts on any module in the Pharmacotherapy Self-Assessment Program (PSAP) module:** The PSAP series has been approved by the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties for use in BCPS recertification and is available in electronic and print formats.
- **Free 1-year membership in an ACCP Practice and Research Network (PRN):** Join one of ACCP's 22 PRNs and network with specialists in your focused area of interest.
- **Complimentary subscription to *Pharmacotherapy*:** Resident and fellow members receive an electronic subscription to this essential reference for the clinical pharmacist.
- **Special member registration rates for the 2009 Pharmacy Oncology Preparatory Review Course, May 14–16, in Baltimore, Maryland:** Take advantage of this highly acclaimed course for those pursuing a specialty career in oncology.
- **Discounted registration rates for the 2009 ACCP Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California, October 18–21:** Be a part of ACCP's 30th anniversary and visit Disneyland.

To capitalize on this limited-time offer, download a specially marked membership application from the ACCP Web site at www.accp.com/rf08promo. Complete the application and mail or fax it back to our office. This offer is valid only for first-time ACCP resident or fellow members. Applications must be received by December 31, 2008, to receive the discounted membership rate.

Nominations Invited for the Prestigious 2009 Parker Medal

Letters of nomination are invited for the 2009 Paul F. Parker Medal for Distinguished Service to the Profession of Pharmacy. The Parker Medal recognizes an individual who has made outstanding and sustained contributions to improving or expanding the profession of pharmacy in an area of professional service—including, but not limited to, patient care, leadership, administration, finance, technology, information processing, service delivery, models of care, and advocacy. The award is not limited to pharmacists or ACCP members.

Paul Parker is widely regarded as one of the profession's most influential leaders. Before his death in 1998, Mr. Parker spent 24 years as director of pharmacy at the Chandler Medical Center/University of Kentucky in Lexington. His innovations include the development of decentralized pharmacy services, which placed pharmacists in the hospital's clinical areas, as well as the development of the nation's first pharmacist-staffed drug information center. Mr. Parker's vision for pharmacy practice was passed along to more than 150 residents and fellows who went through the Kentucky program during his tenure. These disciples include many of today's leaders in clinical pharmacy who continue to pass on his wisdom and vision to their trainees. The Paul F. Parker Medal recognizes an individual who has made outstanding and sustained contributions to the profession that improve patient or service outcomes, create innovative practices, affect populations of patients, further the professional role of pharmacists, or expand the recognition of pharmacists as health professionals.

Nominations should be submitted online via the ACCP Nominations Portal at <http://www.accp.com/membership/nominations.aspx>. All nominations must be submitted by February 15, 2009, and must include the nominee's curriculum vitae, resumé, or biographical sketch, as available, and at least three letters of support that describe the individual's accomplishments relative to the award criteria, one (at least) of which must be from an individual outside the nominee's current practice locale. Current members of the Board of Regents, Parker Award Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible for nomination. More information describing the award and the selection criteria is available at <http://www.accp.com/membership/nominations.aspx>.

2009 Focused Investigator Training Program Applications Now Online

Are you ready to take your research to the next level? The **FIT Program** is an annual, intensive, 1-week, hands-on program for up to 25 experienced pharmacist investigators who have not yet been awarded significant peer-reviewed extramural funding as a principal investigator. The **2009 FIT Program** will take place **July 11–July 16,**



2009, at the University of Utah, College of Pharmacy. Through this mentored program, you will take necessary steps toward preparing a K, R01, or similar investigator-initiated application for submission to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) or other major funding source. The 2009 FIT Mentor Faculty includes Barry Carter, Susan Fagan, Kathy Bungay, Gary Yee, Julie Wright, Reggie Frye, John Cleary, Mark Munger, Lynda Welage, and Greg Stoddard. Applications and the 2009 FIT Program brochure are available online at <http://www.accpri.org/fit/2009brochure.aspx>. Applications close April 1, 2009.

Washington Report

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2008—A Historic Election

November 4, 2008, brought to a close the longest, costliest, and most eagerly anticipated presidential election in history.

The campaign itself was historic – both because of the vast sums of money spent by both sides and the presence of a minority candidate and a woman on the Democratic and Republican tickets, respectively.

Yet history continued to be made on election day. Senator Barack Obama's victory meant that, for the first time, an African American candidate was elected president of the United States – an event that, for many, represented what *The New York Times* termed, "a new era in a country where just 143 years ago, Mr. Obama, as a black man, could have been owned as a slave."¹

With almost 130 million ballots cast nationwide, the 2008 presidential elections had the highest levels of participation in history as well as the highest turnout: the percentage of registered voters was up – 61% of registered voters made it to the polls on election day, a number that has hovered between 50% and 60% since 1968 and even dipped below 50% in 1996.²

The extent of Barack Obama's victory, although not historic, is certainly notable. Obama won 365 Electoral College votes to Senator McCain's 173 and carried 28 states to McCain's 22. Obama swept the traditional "battleground" states of Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Florida and made inroads in the Southwest with victories in Colorado and New Mexico. Obama surprised many by winning the former southern Republican strongholds of Virginia and North Carolina; Obama even carried Indiana – a state that favored President George W. Bush by more than 20 percentage points in 2004.³

Commentary

Because it was so historic, the 2008 presidential election will likely be debated and analyzed for years. Voters were clearly dissatisfied with the Bush administration (with which

- 1 The New York Times. Obama wins election; McCain loses as Bush legacy is rejected. November 4, 2008. Available at <http://www.nytimes.com/2008/11/05/us/politics/05campaign.html>.
- 2 National Voter Turnout in Federal Elections: 1960–2008. Available at: <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0781453.html>.
- 3 Real Clear Politics. Available at http://www.realclearpolitics.com/epolls/election_2008/presidential_final_results.html.

McCain was closely associated) and with a Republican party that appeared to be out of touch with its core values. In addition, the energy, enthusiasm, and passion surrounding the Obama campaign transformed Obama from an inexperienced outsider going into the primaries to the strong favorite approaching election day.

There were several steps along the campaign trail that defined the two campaigns and could be seen as determining factors in the outcome.

Vice Presidential Picks

Biden vs. Palin – If anyone could challenge the star power generated by Barack Obama, it was Sarah Palin – Republican Governor of Alaska and Senator John McCain’s choice for running mate.

John McCain surprised almost everyone when he catapulted the previously unknown former mayor of Wasilla (population 10,000) onto the national stage. Although some pundits sneered at her lack of experience, Palin’s appearance at the Republican National Convention in St. Paul showed her to be everything the McCain team hoped for – articulate, witty, and the darling of the Republican base that needed to be energized.

Yet during the course of the campaign, the Palin gloss wore off – in the eyes of many voters at least. Her [awkward interview with Katie Couric](#) raised doubts about her suitability for the office – especially given Senator McCain’s age and medical history. In addition, her own lack of experience served to negate that particular charge against Barack Obama. Inexperience was an obvious flaw in Obama’s resumé given that he had only been in the U.S. Senate in 2004.

Meanwhile, Obama himself nominated Delaware Senator Joe Biden as his running mate. Biden failed to generate much momentum around his own bid for the Democratic nomination for president, but given his experience (first elected to the Senate in 1972) and foreign policy credentials (chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee), Biden’s presence on the ticket did far more to help Obama than hurt him.

The Change Message

The unprecedented appeal of Barack Obama can be attributed to his ability to capitalize on President Bush’s low approval ratings and a general, nationwide sense of dissatisfaction with the politics of the past 8 years. Although his rhetoric was often short on details, Obama made “change” and “hope” key themes during his campaign and used this mantra to carry him through a hotly contested primary and all the way to the White House.

McCain made the most of his “maverick” status, his track record of working across party lines to pass legislation, and his nomination of Sarah Palin – a Washington outsider. However, his close association with the unpopular Bush administration was ultimately an insurmountable hurdle for many voters.

Given Obama’s focus on “change,” some noted the irony in his early appointments as president-elect. His chief of staff – Rep. Rahm Emanuel – not only was an incumbent Congressman but also worked as a Hill staffer and an advisor to the Clinton White House and to Richard M. Daley’s victorious campaign for mayor of Chicago in 1989. An unusual choice, some might say, to bring change to Washington.

Subsequent Cabinet appointments read like a “who’s who” of the Democratic Party. Former Obama primary rival Senator Hillary Clinton was announced secretary of state; former Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, Health and Human Services Secretary; and New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson, who served as UN Ambassador for the Clinton White House, Commerce Secretary.

Although these members of the Obama team may be inconsistent with his message of “change,” the challenges our nation faces regarding the economic crisis, the threats to the fundamentals of our manufacturing base, and the ongoing conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan all point to the urgent need for experience, leadership, and continuity at this time. Furthermore, the tragic death of Clinton Deputy White House Counsel Vince Foster serves as a reminder of the extreme pressure the incoming administration will be under and the importance of effective management through the complicated transition of power.

The Economy

Although former Clinton advisor James Carville coined the phrase, “It’s the economy, stupid,” in 1992, 16 years later, that sentiment remains true. Although many voters were skeptical about Obama’s lack of foreign policy experience and were impressed with McCain’s record in office, service to his country, and commitment to American values, it was the collapse of the stock markets and the global financial crisis that, many argue, helped tip the scales in Obama’s favor.

McCain’s close association with the Bush administration ultimately hurt him on economic issues – after all, the global credit crunch and subsequent meltdown occurred on Bush’s watch. Thus, as stock markets tumbled and banks failed during September, Obama’s message of change began to resonate with voters more than ever. At the same time, Obama was able to portray McCain – with his 20 years or more in the Senate – as offering up “politics as usual,” an accusation voters began to pay attention to as their retirement accounts evaporated and their home prices continued to plummet.

McCain’s offer to “suspend his campaign” and cancel a nationally televised debate to return to Washington to legislate on the bank bailout was a move that made him look erratic and willing to resort to cheap political stunts at a time when Obama appeared confident and in control.

Times of crises often favor the experienced candidate over the newcomer, incumbent over challenger. Bush’s portrayal of himself as a wartime president was an important factor in his decisive victory over Senator John Kerry in 2004. Yet, in 2008, fears about our crumbling financial systems, housing market collapse, shrinking manufacturing sector, and deteriorating infrastructure swayed voters to embrace the change offered by Obama over the experience offered by McCain.

Overview: The House and Senate

While eyes across the world were focused on the outcome of the U.S. presidential race, control of the House and Senate were also up for grabs on November 4. Since regaining control of both legislative chambers in 2006, the Democratic Party held only the slimmest majority in the Senate (49 Democrats to 49 Republicans, with 2 Independents caucusing with the Democrats) after 12 years in the minority following Newt Gingrich’s 1994 “Republican Revolution.”

Two years later, a strong showing allowed the Democrats to extend their margin, although it fell short of the 60 seats they needed for a filibuster-proof majority. This time, the Democrats picked up a net of seven seats (with one yet undecided – the Minnesota race between comedian Al Franken and incumbent Republican Norm Coleman).

Democrats in the Senate retained all of the seats they were defending, won open seats in Colorado and Virginia, and defeated Republican incumbents in New Hampshire, Oregon, North Carolina, and Virginia to hold 56 seats (+2 independents) to the Republicans' 41.

Memorable Moments from the Battle for the Senate

Connecticut: Joe Lieberman – Despite not even appearing on a ballot (Senator Lieberman was elected to a 6-year term in 2004), the controversial Connecticut senator remained in the spotlight thanks to his surprising endorsement of Senator McCain for president. Democrats were outraged when Lieberman – Al Gore's running mate in 2000 and candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2004 – threw his support behind McCain and campaigned energetically for him, including a keynote appearance at the Republican National Convention.

When Obama emerged victorious, there was a great deal of speculation over what would become of Lieberman – an Independent who caucuses with the Democrats after losing the Democratic primary in 2006. But a series of “clear-the-air” meetings proved successful, and Lieberman will continue to caucus with the Democrats and will retain the chairmanship of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee.

Alaska: Ted Stevens – With Governor Sarah Palin running for vice president, Alaska gained unusual prominence in the 2008 election. But the state also received some unwelcome attention when long-term Senator Ted Stevens was indicted by a federal grand jury on corruption charges.

No stranger to controversy, the senator vowed to continue his fight, but on October 27, 2008, barely 1 week before the election, Stevens was found guilty on all seven counts. It is a testament to the popularity of Senator Stevens in Alaska that, even after his conviction, he almost won reelection. Nevertheless, after a nail-biting recount, it was announced on November 18 that Stevens had lost his reelection bid to Democrat Mark Begich. Stevens had served in the Senate since 1968.

North Carolina: Elizabeth Dole – Having served in the Nixon, Ford, Reagan, and Bush Sr. administrations and run for president in 2000, the wife of former senator and 1996 Republican presidential nominee Bob Dole was expected to enjoy a successful career as a legislator after her election to the Senate in 2002. However, mistakes made during her campaign for reelection in 2008 ultimately cost her dearly, and Senator Dole was defeated by outsider Kay Hagan, a state senator from Greensboro. With Obama aggressively targeting North Carolina, Dole ran a negative advertisement accusing Hagan of taking donations from a group that advocates for the rights of people who do not believe in God. Hagan, a former Sunday school teacher, dismissed the charges and won the support of voters turned off by Dole's negative tactics.

Dole lost by a wider-than-expected margin, taking only 44% of the vote to Hagan's 53% – the widest margin for a Senate race in North Carolina in 30 years and the largest margin of defeat for an incumbent senator in the 2008 cycle.

House of Representatives – Election Overview

In the U.S. House of Representatives, Democrats picked up 21 seats for a 257 majority to the Republicans' 178.

Notable House Races:

- **Illinois' 14th Congressional District:** When former House Speaker Dennis Hastert (R) resigned November 26, 2007, Bill Foster (D) caused a major upset when he defeated Jim Oberweis (R) in a special election on March 8, 2008. When the two faced each other again in November, Foster won again, this time by a wide margin.
- **Connecticut's 4th Congressional District** has been represented by Chris Shays (R) since 1987. However, he lost his 2008 bid for reelection to Democrat Jim Himes. From 2006 until 2008, it was the only district in New England represented by a Republican – there are now no Republican-held House seats in New England.
- **Virginia's 5th Congressional District:** The swing in Virginia from a red state to a blue can be attributed to shifting demographics, especially in the Northern Virginia suburbs of Washington, DC. Yet changes were witnessed in the heartland of Virginia as well. Incumbent congressman Virgil Goode lost reelection to Tom Perriello, who has been certified the winner of the 2008 election to the 111th Congress by a margin of 745 of more than 316,000 votes cast.
- **Texas's 22nd District:** In a rare, positive moment for the Republican party, Democratic incumbent Nick Lampson was defeated by Republican Pete Olson. The 22nd district was formerly held by House Speaker Tom Delay, who was forced to resign before the 2006 election over ethical questions relating to the Jack Abramoff scandal. Because of Texas election law, Republicans missed the deadline to name an alternative candidate, and Rep. Lampson won the seat in 2006. In an interesting twist, Lampson had previously lost his seat in 2004 after a Tom Delay-led redistricting effort.

Outlook – New Administration, New Congress

President-elect Barack Obama defied expectations and made history by winning the 2008 presidential election. Now, some say he has the job no one wants. With the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan still unresolved and the nation facing its greatest financial crisis since the Great Depression, Obama faces unprecedented challenges amid runaway anticipation and expectation. Immediate priorities include implementation of the \$700 billion bank bailout recently approved by Congress and development of effective responses to the potential collapse of the Detroit auto industry and the ongoing subprime mortgage crisis. At this tumultuous time, campaign promises of health care reform and changes to our energy policy may slip downward on the list of priorities. Yet conversations with congressional leaders on the Hill suggest that health care reform remains very much alive in the 111th Congress. As Bill and Hillary Clinton found out – an issue such as health care reform depends more on support and initiative from the Congress than the White House.

Update – Leadership for Medication Management

ACCP and our partner organizations in the Leadership for Medication Management (LMM) continue to lobby on Capitol Hill on behalf of our proposal to improve medication

therapy management (MTM) under Medicare Part D and expand access to the patient-care services of pharmacists under Medicare Part B.

At this stage, it is important that all ACCP members to review the legislative proposal and supporting materials (<http://www.accp.com/govt/advocacyResources.aspx>).

In addition, we have prepared a letter on our Legislative Action Center Web site (<http://capwiz.com/accp/home/>) for all members to send to their federal lawmakers, introducing the legislative principles and offering opportunities for further discussion of the proposal.

Please also forward the link to the Legislative Action Center to friends, colleagues, and other clinical pharmacy stakeholders. As Congress formulates proposals to reform our nation's health care delivery system, it is important to continue to remind lawmakers of the widespread support for our issue throughout the pharmacy profession and of the benefits pharmacists can bring to health care delivery and patient care.

Your chances for advancing our agenda depend on your active participation in the political process. For more information on ACCP's work in Washington, DC, contact John McGlew at (202) 756-2227 or jmcglew@accp.com.

Call for FCCP, Parker Award, and Spring Award Nominations: Submit by February 15

Nominations for the 2009 Parker Medal, 2009 ACCP Fellows (FCCP), and 2010 Spring Awards (New Investigator, New Educator, and New Clinical Practitioner) are due soon. All nomination materials, including letters, vitae or resumé, and other supporting documents, should be submitted online to ACCP. The online nominations portal specifies the nominating materials required for each award. This portal is available at <http://www.accp.com/membership/nominations.aspx>.

The nomination deadline for each of the awards below is **February 15, 2009**; additional information regarding award criteria may be obtained from ACCP headquarters.

2009 ACCP Fellows: Fellowship is awarded in recognition of continued excellence in clinical pharmacy practice or research. Nominees must have been full members of ACCP for at least 5 years, must have been in practice for at least 10 years since receipt of their highest professional pharmacy degree, and must have made a sustained contribution to ACCP through activities such as presentation at College meetings; service to ACCP committees, PRNs, chapters, or publications; or election as an officer. Candidates may be nominated by any two Full Members, other than the nominee, or by any Fellow. Current members of the Board of Regents and the Credentials: FCCP Committee are ineligible for consideration.

2009 Paul F. Parker Medal for Distinguished Service to the Profession of Pharmacy: Recognizes an individual who has made outstanding and sustained contributions to improving or expanding the profession of pharmacy in an area of professional service—including, but not limited to, patient care, leadership, administration, financial, technological, information processing, service delivery, models of care, and advocacy. The award is not limited to pharmacists or ACCP members. All nominations must include the nominee's curriculum vitae, resumé, or

biographical sketch, as available, and at least three letters of support that describe the individual's accomplishments relative to the award criteria. At least one letter of support must be from an individual outside the nominee's current practice locale. Current members of the Board of Regents, Selection Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible.

2010 New Clinical Practitioner Award: This award will be given at the 2010 ACCP Spring Forum/Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Course, April 23–27, 2010, in Charlotte, NC. Its purpose is to recognize and honor a new clinical practitioner who has made outstanding contributions to the health of patients and/or the practice of clinical pharmacy. Nominees must have been Full Members of ACCP at the time of nomination and members at any level for a minimum of 3 years, and it must have been less than 6 years since completion of their terminal training or degree, whichever is most recent. Fellows of ACCP (i.e., "FCCP") are not eligible. All nominations must include a letter of nomination detailing the nominee's qualifications for the award, the nominee's curriculum vitae, and two letters of support that describe the individual's accomplishments relative to the award criteria. At least one of the letters of support must be from an individual outside the nominee's current place of employment. Additional letters of support also may be included. Current members of the Board of Regents, Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible.

2009 New Educator Award: This award will be given at the 2010 ACCP Spring Forum/Pharmacotherapy Preparatory Course, April 23–27, 2010, in Charlotte, NC. Its purpose is to recognize and honor a new educator for outstanding contributions to the discipline of teaching and to the education of health care practitioners. Nominees must have been Full Members of ACCP at the time of nomination and members at any level for a minimum of 3 years, and it must have been less than 6 years since completion of their terminal training or degree, whichever is most recent. Fellows of ACCP (i.e., "FCCP") are not eligible. All nominations must include a letter of nomination detailing the nominee's qualifications for the award, the nominee's curriculum vitae, and two letters of support that describe the individual's accomplishments relative to the award criteria. At least one of the letters of support must be from an individual outside the nominee's current place of employment. Additional letters of support may be included. Current members of the Board of Regents, Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible.

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New Pioneers at the Frontier

Susan C. Fagan, Pharm.D., BCPS, FCCP
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In most of my years as an active member of ACCP, I often felt envious of the founding members of ACCP. They were a brave few who had launched a new organization in 1979, armed with high ideals and a deep, passionate belief in the power of clinical pharmacy. At the annual meeting this year, however, I felt what I imagine was a similar feeling. Within the parameters of our 30-year mission, we were launching a brand-new approach to supporting research by clinical pharmacists. At the fundraising event, we heard from many passionate members of ACCP, ready and willing to commit their time and financial resources to support a new direction for the Research Institute. It was successful beyond our expectations.

The Research Institute of ACCP is no longer a granting institution but will now work tirelessly to develop and promote the impact of clinical pharmacy scientists. We, the new pioneers, armed with high ideals and a deep, passionate belief in the power of clinical pharmacy research, will move our organization into a bright future. I believe strongly that clinical pharmacists not only can be competitive in the broader research environment, but also can contribute uniquely to health care research. Through the FIT Program, the Research and Scholarship Academy, the Bioanalytical Support Grant, and the Practice-Based Research Network (PBRN), we are well on our way to charting a new course for clinical pharmacy research.

It is wonderful to feel that “pioneer spirit” in our 30-year-old organization and to know that we can reinvent ourselves yet stay true to our founding principles.

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2009 Oncology Pharmacy Preparatory Review Course



Registration Opens in February 2009

Mark your calendar for the 2009 Oncology Pharmacy Preparatory Review Course, which will be held in Baltimore, Maryland, May 14–16, 2009. The program is designed to help you prepare for the BPS Oncology Pharmacy Specialty Certification Examination that will be offered in October 2009. Even if you are not planning to sit for the BPS examination, you may still be interested in assessing your knowledge and skills in the area by taking advantage of this advanced specialty program. The course is an excellent review for oncology practitioners seeking to remain current in all aspects of their practice area. The Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties has also approved this course for recertification credit for Board-Certified Oncology Pharmacists. Course enrollment is limited to 250 participants. Registration opens February 2009. Register early to reserve your place—the 2008 course sold out early.

The course will take place at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore, in the heart of Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Reservations will be accepted November 5, 2008–April 13, 2009 (or until the group block sells out, whichever occurs first).

This course is part of a professional development program offered by the American College of Clinical Pharmacy, the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, and the Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association.

Watch the ACCP Web site, www.accp.com, for complete meeting details. Registration opens February 2009.

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Deadline Extended: January 15, 2009

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New ACCP Directory of Training Programs Now Available

The 2009 ACCP Directory of Residencies, Fellowships, and Graduate Programs is now available.

This year's directory lists 637 training programs delivered by ACCP members in 47 states, the District of Columbia, 1 U.S. territory, and 2 Canadian provinces. Covering 36 different practice or research areas, the 2009 Directory lists 558 residencies, 65 fellowships, 7 combined residency and fellowship programs, and 7 graduate programs. The Directory's indexes are organized by both practice/research specialty and geographic region.



Supported by an educational donation provided by Amgen, Inc., ACCP is pleased to again make this directory available—both online (see <http://accp.com/resandfel>) and in book format—as a complimentary service to students and residents seeking advanced training in clinical pharmacy practice or research. The printed directory provides the only regularly published listing of clinical pharmacy residencies, fellowships, and graduate programs. Copies were distributed at ACCP's exhibit booth during the December ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and will again be given out at the 2009 APhA Annual Meeting and Exposition next April. ACCP members may request a complimentary copy by completing the form below and mailing or faxing it to ACCP headquarters as indicated.

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**Director of Drug Information (Nontenure Track)
Columbia, Missouri**

The Director of Drug Information (DI) will establish a DI Service on the satellite campus. The faculty member will collaborate with existing DI faculty in teaching and research including a unique evidence-based medicine course, distance learning, and an innovative DI experiential rotation. Targeted services include responding to DI requests, formulary management, generation of scholarly work, and other nontraditional DI services.

Contact: Patrick Bryant, Pharm.D., FSCIP, Director of Drug Information Center and Clinical Professor, Chair Search Committee, (816) 235-5493; bryantp@umkc.edu.

**Drug Information (Nontenure Track)
Kansas City, Missouri**

This faculty member, as a DI Specialist, will assist with the day-to-day operations of the Drug Information Center in Kansas City. The faculty member will collaborate with existing DI faculty in teaching and research including a unique evidence-based medicine course, distance learning, and an innovative DI experiential rotation. Targeted services include responding to DI requests, formulary management, generation of scholarly work, and other nontraditional DI services.

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**Community Pharmacy Practice (Nontenure Track)
Kansas City, Missouri**

This faculty member, as a Community Practice Specialist, will maintain a clinical site for student education, provide medication therapy management (MTM) services, participate in didactic instruction, and promote academic, professional, and/or community service and scholarship. Responsibilities include developing new MTM services, providing innovative classroom instruction in the pharmacotherapy series and other courses, and precepting students.

Contact: Steven Stoner, Pharm.D., BCPP, Chair and Clinical Professor, Search Committee Chair, (816) 235-5464; stoners@umkc.edu.

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Columbia, Missouri**

This faculty member, specializing in ambulatory care, will develop services at Harry S Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital in Columbia, Missouri. The faculty member will practice within the hospital's primary care clinics with opportunities to develop and initiate services based on clinical expertise and veteran needs. The faculty member will also be an integral part of developing the new satellite program by facilitating the curriculum, participating in large and small group teaching, establishing new clinical services, mentoring pharmacy students, and precepting students on experiential rotations.

Contact: Kathleen Snella, Pharm.D., BCPS, Associate Dean and Clinical Associate Professor, Search Committee Chair, (573) 882-1598; snellak@umkc.edu.

Adult Inpatient Medicine (Nontenure Track)

Columbia, Missouri

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Kansas City, Missouri

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Nontenure-track positions. A Pharm.D. degree with postdoctoral training, or equivalent experience in the discipline, and a Missouri license are required for all positions.

Tenure-track positions. A Ph.D. degree in an area of pharmacy administration or health services research, or a Pharm.D. degree with postdoctoral fellowship training in the appropriate discipline, is required.

Academic rank and salary will be commensurate with experience. A full description of these positions is available at http://pharmacy.umkc.edu/faculty_positions.htm.

The UMKC School of Pharmacy offers an entry-level Pharm.D. degree. The program is delivered by faculty at the Kansas City campus and at the satellite campus in Columbia, Missouri. The entering class size is 123 students—95 students at the Kansas City campus and 28 students at the Columbia campus. The Division of Pharmacy Practice is composed of 30 energetic faculty members representing a broad array of disciplines and is growing to a total of 38 positions to support the increased class size. The new Health Sciences Building in Kansas City, which houses the school of pharmacy, opened in summer 2007. The satellite program is located on the University of Missouri—Columbia campus and includes health science programs in allied health, medicine, and nursing.

UMKC recognizes that a diverse faculty, staff, and student body enriches the educational experiences of the entire campus and greater community. To this end, UMKC is committed to recruiting and retaining faculty, students, and staff who will further enrich our campus diversity, making every attempt to support their academic, professional, and personal success.

UMKC is an AA/EEO employer. Women, minorities, veterans, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Applicants who are not U.S. citizens must state their current visa and residency status. All final candidates will be required to successfully pass a criminal background check before beginning employment.



**Associate Dean for Clinical Programs
College of Pharmacy
The University of Texas at Austin**

The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy seeks applications and nominations for the Associate Dean for Clinical Programs.

The University of Texas at Austin is a leading tier one, research-focused state university. The UT College of Pharmacy has 44 tenured/tenure-track faculty, 45 nontenure-track faculty, 514 Pharm.D. students, 45 residents, and more than 130 graduate students. The college operates regional education programs throughout Texas, including the Pharmacotherapy Division at UTHSC San Antonio, cooperative pharmacy program campuses with the University of Texas at El Paso and the University of Texas Pan American, and regional internship campuses in Houston-Galveston and Dallas-Ft. Worth.

Applicants must have an earned Pharm.D. and appropriate residency, fellowship training, graduate degree, or the equivalent. Applicants must possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills; prior leadership in the profession and experience in leading clinical pharmacy programs at a college of pharmacy are highly desired. The ideal candidate will have a history of outstanding accomplishments in pharmacotherapy or pharmacy practice research and scholarship or a history of outstanding health care management experience. Candidates should have proven abilities to foster an interdisciplinary approach to education and research. The successful candidate will also hold an academic appointment consistent with experience and qualifications.

The Associate Dean for Clinical Programs will lead the advancement of academic clinical and practice programs at both the Pharm.D. and post-Pharm.D. levels. This individual will collaborate with other senior administrative staff to identify the needs of students, faculty, preceptors, and affiliated statewide experiential sites; in addition, the successful applicant will collaborate with these stakeholders to achieve the experiential education and training goals for both the Pharm.D. and postgraduate programs. Other obligations include leading the advancement of interprofessional collaborations, teaching at the Pharm.D. and post-Pharm.D. levels, assisting in faculty mentoring, contributing to scholarship, and providing service to the college and profession.

We welcome interested parties to submit application materials electronically (only). Letters of application should be submitted together with a curriculum vitae and the names of three references to the following e-mail address: sharla.brewer@mail.utexas.edu. Review of applicants will begin immediately on receipt of application materials and will continue until the position is filled.

All inquiries should be sent to:

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**Faculty Positions
Clinical Assistant Professor
College of Pharmacy
The University of Texas at Austin**

The University of Texas College of Pharmacy is seeking applications for multiple faculty positions in the Division of Pharmacy Practice. These positions are nontenure-track appointments at the rank of clinical assistant professor. Positions are available in the following specialties:

- Ambulatory care
- Community pharmacy
- Internal medicine
- Pediatrics
- Psychiatry

The successful applicants will lecture, facilitate practice laboratories, and supervise clinical clerkships for students in the Pharm.D. program. Clinical service that supports resident and Pharm.D. student education is expected, and faculty members will be expected to provide service to the college, the university, and the broader professional community. The successful individual will have the opportunity to collaborate with tenure-track and nontenure-track faculty on research and scholarship.

Candidates must have an earned Pharm.D. degree from an ACPE-accredited school of pharmacy, be licensed or eligible for licensure in the state of Texas, have successfully completed a specialty practice residency or equivalent experience, and be able to demonstrate effective teaching.

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Qualified applicants should address all communication to James P. Wilson, Pharm.D., Ph.D., The University of Texas College of Pharmacy, Division of Pharmacy Practice. Applicants should submit electronically (only) a letter of application, a curriculum vitae, and the names of three references to angela.clapper@mail.utexas.edu. Review of applicants will continue until the positions are filled.

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**Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor
Emphasis in Psychiatric Pharmacy Research**

The College of Pharmacy at the University of Texas at Austin is seeking applications for a psychiatric pharmacist for a research-intensive tenure-track assistant or a tenured associate or full professor. The qualified individual must have research training (fellowship, M.S., or Ph.D.) in an area that is conducive to conducting research in psychiatric pharmacy. Current research programs focus on mental health outcomes and health services research. Qualified candidates must have an earned Pharm.D. degree from an ACPE-accredited school of pharmacy, be licensed or eligible for licensure in the state of Texas, and be able to demonstrate teaching ability. Appointment as associate professor or full professor requires demonstrated and sustained extramural grant support and research and scholarship achievements that are consistent with appointment to such a rank at a research-intensive university. In addition to performing cutting-edge research, the successful applicant will be expected to teach in the Pharm.D. program, in the graduate program in Pharmacy Practice and Pharmacy Administration, and to residents specializing in psychiatry and psychiatric pharmacy. Most organized coursework is team-taught.

We welcome interested parties to submit application materials electronically (only). Letters of application should be submitted together with a curriculum vitae and the names of three references to s.bendele@mail.utexas.edu. Review of applicants will begin immediately on receipt and will continue until the position is filled.

All inquiries should be sent to:

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Founding Dean, College of Pharmacy

Driven by innovative academics and a mission-centered commitment to underserved populations, Roosevelt University's new college of pharmacy will help shape the future of pharmacy education in Illinois. Offering one of the few 3-year intensive pharmacy curriculums in the United States, the college of pharmacy will serve as a center of excellence and transformation within a thriving university.

The new founding dean of the college of pharmacy joins a university with a compelling mission, a sound financial position, and expansive aspirations for the future. The dean has the opportunity to create a college of pharmacy for the 21st century's diverse community of health care providers and consumers. The college of pharmacy will be Roosevelt University's sixth college and the only one located exclusively at its Schaumburg campus in the northwest suburbs of Chicago.

Curricular innovation, distinctive learning opportunities, measurable learning outcomes, strong industry support, and well-prepared graduates will distinguish the college of pharmacy from its competitors. In addition, Roosevelt University's mission of social justice and long-standing commitment to recruiting minorities will enable the program to address the significant scarcity of pharmacists in minority communities and rural areas throughout the state.

The dean is the chief academic, fiscal, and administrative officer of the college, reporting to Roosevelt's provost and executive vice president. The dean has the opportunity to shape the curriculum; develop an operational infrastructure for the college; hire and lead faculty in the development of a student-centered intellectual environment; build and support university-wide collaborative academic programs; and develop and steward partnerships with diverse educational, corporate, and philanthropic communities located across Illinois. In addition, the new dean will assume leadership of the College of Pharmacy Advisory Board, a group of pharmacy and health care leaders who have been instrumental in providing and securing support for the college.

Roosevelt University is teeming with energy, enthusiasm, and vibrancy this fall as the new class of freshmen has increased 70% compared with 2007, and its enrollment of 7654 is the second largest in the university's history. A buzz out there is singling out Roosevelt University as the right place to be for both a high-quality education and a meaningful life experience.

The successful candidate will possess a Pharm.D. degree or a Ph.D. degree in a pharmaceutical science discipline from an accredited institution. A minimum of 5 years' experience as a faculty member and prior administrative experience in a college/school of pharmacy, with substantial teaching, scholarly, or professional achievement, are highly desirable. Significant professional achievement and leadership experience in industry will also be considered qualifications for appointment as dean. Other desired qualities include strong communication skills, interpersonal and team-building skills, and fundraising skills as well as the ability to work with a diverse group of students and effectively represent the college to external and internal constituents.

A confidential review of candidate materials will begin in December and continue until an appointment is made. Nominations and applications, including a letter of interest and curriculum vitae, may be sent electronically to PharmacyDean@roosevelt.edu.

Roosevelt University welcomes women, LGBT, disabled, international, and minority-classified individuals as applicants for all positions.