DiPiro Named 2014 Parker Medalist

Joseph T. DiPiro, Pharm.D., FCCP, has been chosen by the Parker Medal Selection Committee as the 2014 recipient of the College’s Paul F. Parker Medal for Distinguished Service to the Profession of Pharmacy. Dr. DiPiro, now dean at the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy, has served as a leader of clinical pharmacy practice, education, and research for more than 3 decades.

Paul Parker was one of clinical pharmacy’s most influential proponents. Before his death in 1998, Dr. Parker spent 24 years as director of pharmacy at the Chandler Medical Center/University of Kentucky in Lexington. His innovations include developing decentralized pharmacy services, placing pharmacists in the hospital’s clinical areas, and developing the nation’s first pharmacist-staffed drug information center. Dr. Parker’s vision for pharmacy practice was passed along to the more than 150 residents and fellows who trained in 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.

In making its selection, the Parker Medal Selection Committee commented on Dr. DiPiro’s many contributions to clinical pharmacy and the pharmacy profession, noting that they “recognized the breadth and depth of his contributions to the field. He has an exceptional record as an academician and researcher in clinical pharmacy and has added significantly to moving the profession forward. In addition, his leadership of the American Journal of Pharmacy Education has been outstanding and certainly contributed to his national prominence.” The committee went on to say,

His name has become nearly synonymous with the foremost text on pharmacotherapy such that everyone has heard of “DiPiro” to the point it’s a part of our vernacular. Joe has held numerous national offices and is clearly recognized as a leader both from within and outside the pharmacy profession.

Dr. DiPiro’s career has been intertwined with the development of the clinical pharmacy discipline. As a resident trainee under Mr. Parker at the University of Kentucky, he found himself in the midst of clinical pharmacy’s emergence. Among his early mentors was the founding editor of Pharmacotherapy, Russell Miller. Later in his career, after the death of Dr. Miller, Dr. DiPiro was instrumental in helping establish Pharmacotherapy as ACCP’s official journal. He served as a member and chair of numerous ACCP committees and task forces, was elected to both the ACCP Board of Regents and the ACCP Research Institute Board of Trustees, and served as ACCP president in 2005.

Dr. DiPiro has received many awards, including the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Connecticut, the Robert G. Leonard Lecture Award from the University of Texas at Austin, the Robert K. Chalmers Distinguished Pharmacy Educator Award from the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, the ACCP Russell R. Miller Award, and the Phi Lambda Sigma National Leadership Award. He has been elected as a Fellow of both ACCP and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. In 2006, he was inducted as a member of the Academy of Pharmacy Practice of the National Academies of Practice.

Dr. DiPiro’s nominator, Philip Hall, professor and campus dean at the South Carolina College of Pharmacy, wrote in his letter of nomination,

Whether serving as a department chair at the University of Georgia or the Executive Dean at the South Carolina College of Pharmacy (SCCP), he has demonstrated superb administrative skills. He establishes high standards but demonstrates openness and flexibility. He served as Executive Dean for the SCCP for nine years where he guided the SCCP to bring together two different
The New Clinical Practitioner Award honors a new clinician 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 or her terminal training or degree less than 6 years previously. Nicole M. Acquisto, Pharm.D., BCPS, is emergency medicine clinical pharmacy specialist and assistant professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, at the University of Rochester Medical Center (URMC) in Rochester, New York. She also serves as the director of URMC’s PGY2 emergency medicine pharmacy residency. Dr. Acquisto received her Pharm.D. degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences and completed PGY1 residency training at Kaleida Health – Buffalo General Hospital and PGY2 residency training in emergency medicine/critical care at URMC. In her current position, Dr. Acquisto has been responsible for establishing innovative clinical services in the emergency department that improve patient outcomes. Dr. Elizabeth Dodds Ashley, associate director of clinical pharmacy services at URMC, wrote in her letter of support,

Nicole is continually seeking innovative ways to improve patient outcomes through expanded pharmacy services in the Emergency Department…. Through collaborations with providers and leadership, she worked to launch a pharmacy run antimicrobial stewardship program for the emergency department…. As a result of this important program, patients are receiving faster follow-up for their cultures and shorter times to appropriate therapy. It is a model program for timely follow-up and promoting appropriate antibiotic use that is cited throughout our organization. More recently, Nicole has been instrumental in helping us to expand our clinical practice model in the Emergency Department. Instead of replacing the one clinical specialist who left the institution, she has instead helped build a model to provide consistent dedicated pharmacy coverage in the ED 10 hours a day 7 days a week. She has worked closely to develop an advanced model with the goal of having providers know what to expect from emergency pharmacy services and raising the bar for our pharmacists to meet these expectations along the way. It has been a tremendous success under Nicole’s careful watch.

Mason Bucklin, emergency medicine pharmacist at the University of Tennessee Medical Center, commented in his letter of nomination,

I would argue that Nicole’s greatest strength ... is teaching. Not only does she have her residents on rotation, but she precepts pharmacy students, PGY1 pharmacy residents, paramedic students, and EM physician residents on rotation as well. Nicole stays involved at the local and national level in education. At the local level, she teaches ACLS, provides lectures...
to local EMS providers several times per year, and is heavily involved in research and teaching with the EM physician residents on a daily basis.

Dr. Acquisto, who served as the 2012–2013 chair of the Emergency Medicine PRN, has been instrumental in implementing many of the PRN’s initiatives. She has presented her work at national meetings, served as a speaker at numerous national and regional conferences, and published consistently in the pharmacy and medical literature. Dr. Acquisto was also honored as the recipient of the 2013 New Preceptor Award from the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

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 or her terminal training or degree less than 6 years previously. Brianne Dunn, Pharm.D., is an assistant clinical professor in the Department of Clinical Pharmacy and Outcome Sciences at the South Carolina College of Pharmacy and clinical pharmacy specialist in cardiology at the Wm. Jennings Bryan Dorn Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Columbia, South Carolina. Dr. Dunn received her Pharm.D. degree from the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) and completed PGY1 and PGY2 residency training at MUSC. She has excelled in both didactic and experiential teaching and serves as a leader in faculty development, particularly in the area of instructional technology. Department vice chair, Brandon Bookstaver, noted in his letter of nomination, Dr. Dunn has spearheaded our effort to transition from paper-based assessment to electronic (online) testing. She has chaired our University committee and liaised with the University information technology department. Based primarily on her committee’s assessment and presentation to college administration, we decided to utilize Blackboard as our e-testing platform. Dr. Dunn created and facilitated a number of faculty development sessions to ease the transition which, according to >80% of faculty surveyed, went much smoother than expected without any major complications. She has garnered the label in our department as the “IT and Blackboard guru” and unofficially has become the expert and “go to” when anyone has questions of implementation. Her push with technology also recently included implementation of an electronic medical record (EMR) system into our clinical assessment and laboratory sequence. Our students and faculty are ecstatic about the new real-life feel of the clinical cases and the flexibility now provided in creating scenarios for student instruction.

Kelly Ragucci, professor and chair of the Clinical Pharmacy and Outcome Sciences Department, wrote in her letter of support for Dr. Dunn,

She has consistently received positive evaluations from both students and residents and received two teaching awards from pharmacy students last year – including campus teacher of the year. In addition, her yearly peer evaluations from faculty colleagues are excellent. It is clear that she brings energy and enthusiasm to all of her teaching efforts, most notably coordinating one of our rigorous Pharmacotherapy courses and incorporating a simulated electronic medical record into our courses. Dr. Dunn has developed an online complementary and alternative medicine course as well as a course titled “Preventing Childhood Obesity” on the University of South Carolina (USC) campus. Brie assisted with bringing this Junior Doctor of Health elective from the Medical University of South Carolina to USC. I cannot think of any junior faculty member more dedicated to teaching pharmacy students and making certain that our curriculum continues to progress effectively. She is always thinking “outside the box” and incorporating active learning techniques and utilizing technology in the classroom.

In addition to being honored as 2012–2013 Teacher of the Year and 2013 P2 Professor of the Year, Dr. Dunn has been recognized as an MUSC College of Medicine Teacher of the Month. She is also actively engaged in pedagogical research and scholarship and has presented her work at national professional and scientific meetings.

The New Investigator Award recognizes an ACCP member who has made a significant impact on an aspect of clinical pharmaceutical science. The awardee must have been a member of ACCP for more than 3 years, must have completed his or her terminal training or degree less than 6 years previously, and must have a research program with a substantial publication record that includes a programmatic theme or an especially noteworthy single publication. Olivia Phung, Pharm.D., is an assistant professor of pharmacy practice at Western University in Pomona, California. She received her Pharm.D. degree from Northeastern University and completed an outcomes research fellowship at the University of Connecticut/
Hartford Hospital AHRQ Evidence-Based Practice Center in Hartford, Connecticut. Dr. Phung’s research focuses on evidence-based outcomes in internal medicine and diabetes. At the time of her nomination, Dr. Phung had published 30 peer-reviewed research papers, 10 review articles, and 17 research abstracts. Her work has been published in well-recognized medical journals, including *Annals of Internal Medicine, Chest, Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes, Journal of the American Medical Association, Mayo Clinic Proceedings, and Pediatrics*.

William Baker, professor of pharmacy practice at the University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy, summed up Dr. Phung’s qualifications for the New Investigator Award in his letter supporting her nomination:

> Dr. Phung is one of the true rising stars among pharmacy researchers today…. To date, Dr. Phung has had 17 research abstracts presented as international/national meetings. These not only include pharmacy organizations, but also medical organizations such as the American Diabetes Association, American College of Cardiology, and American Thoracic Society. These are of particular note, since relatively few young pharmacists present research at these prestigious meetings. Even more impressive, Dr. Phung has routinely published her work in high-impact factor journals early on in her career. This is a tremendous achievement in my eyes. She has also been successful at securing research funding, including over $90,000 in grants for which she was the primary investigator. She has also been the lead or supporting investigator on more than $2 million in federal grants as part of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Evidence-based Practice Center program.

> Dr. Phung will deliver the annual New Investigator Award lecture during the October 13 Special Session in Austin.

Members of the 2014 ACCP Awards Committee were Robert MacLaren (chair), M. Shawn McFarland (vice chair), Judy Cheng, Jennifer Clements, Susan Davis, Krystal Edwards, Elizabeth Farrington, Stacey Folse, LeAnn Norris, Keith Olsen, and Kim Thrasher.

**ACCP Elects 2014 Fellows**

Thirty-three ACCP members have been elected Fellows of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy and will be recognized during a special ceremony on October 12 at the College’s 2014 Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas. Recognition as a Fellow is awarded to ACCP members who have demonstrated a sustained level of excellence in clinical pharmacy practice and/or research. Fellows can be recognized by the initials “FCCP” as part of their title.

The 2014 ACCP Fellows are:

- **Sandra Benavides**, Pharm.D.; Ft. Lauderdale, FL
- **P. Brandon Bookstaver**, Pharm.D., BCPS (AQ-ID); Columbia, SC
- **Mitchell S. Buckley**, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS; Phoenix, AZ
- **Alexandre Chan**, Pharm.D., MPH, BCPS, BCOP; Singapore, SG
- **Allison M. Chung**, Pharm.D., BCPS, AE-C; Mobile, AL
- **Rhonda M. Cooper-DeHoff**, Pharm.D., M.S.; Gainesville, FL
- **Craig D. Cox**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Lubbock, TX
- **Kristine R. Crews**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Memphis, TN
- **Anthony T. Gerlach**, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS; Columbus, OH
- **William L. Greene**, Pharm.D., FASHP, BCPS; Germantown, TN
- **Sheryl J. Herner**, Pharm.D., BCPS, CPPS; Denver, CO
- **Cynthia Jackevicius**, Pharm.D., M.S., BCPS; Los Angeles, CA
- **Samantha A. Karr**, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCACP; Glendale, AZ
- **S. Casey Laizure**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Memphis, TN
- **Joel C. Marrs**, Pharm.D., BCPS, CLS; Denver, CO
- **Jeannine S. McCune**, Pharm.D., BCOP; Kenmore, WA
- **M. Shawn McFarland**, Pharm.D.; Murfreesboro, TN
- **Renee-Claude Mercier**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Albuquerque, NM
- **Rocsanna Namdar**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Denver, CO
- **Jacqueline L. Olin**, Pharm.D., M.S., BCPS; Wingate, NC
- **Mary H. Parker**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Mebane, NC
- **Michael J. Peeters**, Pharm.D., MEd, BCPS; Prairie Village, KS
- **Julie M. Sease**, Pharm.D., BCPS, CDE; Columbia, SC
- **Alissa R. Segal**, Pharm.D.; Newton, MA
- **Mary Beth Shirk**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Powell, OH
- **Sarah P. Shrader**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Prairie Village, KS
- **Scott A. Soefje**, Pharm.D., BCOP; Austin, TX
- **Jessica A. Starr**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Mountain Brook, AL
- **Mary E. Temple Cooper**, Pharm.D., M.S., BCPS; Chagrin Falls, OH
- **Orly Vardeny**, Pharm.D., BCACP; Madison, WI
- **Christine M. Walko**, Pharm.D., BCOP; Tampa, FL
- **Mitzi Wasik**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Carmel, IN
- **Sheila M. Wilhelm**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Troy, MI

After nomination by their colleagues, Fellow candidates undergo a comprehensive and rigorous evaluation by the Credentials: Fellowship Committee of their practice and research accomplishments. Among the criteria evaluated by the committee are examples of patient care service or educational programs developed by the nominee; certifications or other credentials earned; drug therapy management responsibilities; educational presentations; consultancies; service to publications; original research presentations, projects, funding, and publications; and other professional activities and awards. Individuals nominated as Fellows also
must have made a substantial contribution to ACCP through activities such as giving presentations at College-sponsored meetings; providing service as an abstract, curriculum vitae, ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge, Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam, Research Institute, or Pharmacotherapy reviewer; contributing to College publications or being an item writer for the ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge or Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam; serving as a committee member; or completing a term as a PRN officer, chapter officer, or other elected ACCP officer.

Members of the 2014 Credentials: Fellowship Committee, each of whom dedicated many hours to the review of FCCP applications and other documents, were Miranda Andrus (chair), Joanna Hudson (vice chair), Michael Bottorff, Amie Brooks, David Burgess, Jack Chen, Sheryl Chow, Catherine Crill, Paul Dobesh, Christopher Finch, Mark Garrison, Paul Gubbins, Karen Gunning, Ila Harris, Dawn Havrda, Daniel Healy, Robert Henderson, James Hoehns, Kristi Kelley, David Lourwood, Amy Lugo, Thomas Majerus, Julie Murphy, Thomas Nolin, Kerry Pickworth, James Scott, Sharon See, Nancy Shapiro, Nicole Sifontis, Kevin Sowinski, Kristi Kelley, David Lourwood, Amy Lugo, Thomas Majerus, Julie Murphy, Thomas Nolin, Kerry Pickworth, James Scott, Sharon See, Nancy Shapiro, Nicole Sifontis, Kevin Sowinski, Toby Trujillo, Eva Vasquez, and Barbara Wiggins.

**2014 ACCP Annual Meeting Early-Bird Registration Rates Expire September 5**

Don’t miss the opportunity to join your colleagues at the 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting, October 12–15, in Austin, Texas. Register now for early-bird registration rates and begin building your Annual Meeting itinerary around these curricular tracks, each designed to stimulate in-depth learning:

**Curricular Track I**—Medication Safety will focus on advancing medication safety using technology such as a closed-loop system to optimize medication error prevention and a real-time active medication monitoring system to prevent medication errors and ADEs. Speakers will discuss the evolution of Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies (REMS) and provide updates, compare and contrast medication error reporting programs for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP), and provide methods for applying recent FDA safety communications to your everyday practice. This curricular track will also focus on integrating safety and quality data to support clinical pharmacy services, improving the safety of off-label uses of medications, and integrating patient safety organizations (PSOs) into clinical pharmacy practice.

**Curricular Track II**—Emerging Issues, Challenges, Concepts in Infectious Diseases will include updates and challenges in managing drug-resistant gram-negative pathogens, an update on new clinical guidelines in infectious diseases, and discussions of the clinical utility of active surveillance in the hospital setting. Speakers will focus on the rapid identification of fungal infections, antifungal resistance, and preemptive antifungal therapy in special populations. This curricular track will also discuss the resurgence of communicable infectious diseases, new indications for old antimicrobials, and multidrug-resistant tuberculosis.

**Curricular Track III**—Clinical Controversies will discuss a series of clinical controversies, including the effect of colchicine in acute coronary syndromes, the use of statins in patients with sepsis, and the use of combination tPA and dornase alfa therapy for pleural infection. Speakers will also discuss conundrums in published clinical guidelines, including a brief review of the current blood cholesterol guideline recommendation for CV risk reduction, a review of the supporting evidence regarding the use of goal-oriented strategy, and a response to conflicting stances focusing on the use of evidence-based strategies. Concluding presentations will be centered on clinical controversies in analgesia/anesthesia, with a focus on specific cases.

The 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting programming will also include 21 highly specialized Practice and Research Network (PRN) focus sessions, ACCP Academy core programming focusing on key professional development issues, the Residency and Fellowship Forum for the recruitment of 2015–2016 residents and fellows, ACCP’s Clinical Pharmacy Challenge, and much more!

Early registration for the 2014 Annual Meeting ends **September 5**. Don’t miss out on early-bird savings—register online today!

**Attention Students: ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge Team Registration Deadline September 2**

Don’t miss your opportunity to participate in ACCP’s novel pharmacy student team competition. Now in its fifth year, the ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge offers eligible teams of three pharmacy students the opportunity to compete in up to four online rounds, with the top eight teams advancing to the live quarterfinal competition at the 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas, in October. The registration deadline, September 2, is quickly approaching. Don’t wait; plan now to participate this fall. Team registration is available online. Click here to view the teams already registered.

**Competition Overview**

The ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge is a team-based competition. Teams of three students will compete against teams from other schools and colleges of pharmacy in a “quiz bowl”–type format. Only one team per institution may enter the competition. Institutions with branch campuses,
distance satellites, and/or several interested teams are encouraged to conduct a local competition. ACCP provides a local competition exam that institutions may use in selecting their team. Faculty members interested in using the exam may send an e-mail request to Michelle Kucera, Pharm.D., BCPS, at mkucera@accp.com. More than 50 institutions have requested the local examination to date.

Preliminary rounds of the national competition will be conducted virtually in September. The quarterfinal, semifinal, and final rounds will be held live, October 11–13, 2014, at the ACCP Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas.

Each round will consist of questions offered in the three distinct segments indicated below. Item content used in each segment has been developed and reviewed by an expert panel of clinical pharmacy practitioners and educators.

- Trivia/Lightning
- Clinical Case
- Jeopardy-style

Each team advancing to the quarterfinal round held at the ACCP Annual Meeting will receive three complimentary student full-meeting registrations. Each team member will receive an ACCP gift certificate for $125 and a certificate of recognition. In addition to the above, semifinal teams not advancing to the final round will receive a semifinal team plaque for display at their institution. The second-place team will receive a $750 cash award ($250 to each member) and a commemorative team plaque. The winning team will receive a $1500 cash award ($500 to each member), and each team member will receive a commemorative plaque. A team trophy will be awarded to the winning institution.

Students are not required to be members of ACCP to participate. Team registration may be submitted online and must be initiated by a current faculty member at the respective institution. Students interested in forming a team should contact their ACCP faculty liaison. If no ACCP Faculty Liaison has been identified, any faculty member from the institution may initiate the registration process. The registering faculty member must confirm the eligibility of all team members and/or alternates online before a team will be permitted to compete in the Clinical Pharmacy Challenge.

The deadline to complete team registration and confirm eligibility is September 2, 2014.

For more information on the ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge, including the competition schedule, sample items, and FAQ section, please click here.

ACCP Annual Meeting Highlights for Students

This fall’s ACCP Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas, offers an abundance of programming geared specifically toward students. See below for a schedule of activities and start making your plans today. To obtain additional information or to register for the meeting, visit www.accp.com/am.

ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge

Quarterfinals: Saturday, October 11; 9:00–11:45 a.m.
Semifinals: Sunday, October 12; 4:30–5:45 p.m.
Finals: Monday, October 13; 11:00–11:30 a.m.

Join fellow attendees for the 2014 ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge as national student teams compete in the quarterfinal, semifinal, and final round competitions. Teams will face off in a quiz bowl–type format, answering questions in three distinct categories—Trivia/Lightning, Clinical Case, and Jeopardy-style. An expert panel of clinical pharmacy practitioners and educators have developed and reviewed the item content to be used in each segment.

Emerge from the Crowd: How to Become a Standout Residency Candidate

Saturday, October 11; 1:00–7:00 p.m.

Learn from experts in the field of clinical pharmacy about the steps you can take now to rise above the competition when applying for a residency. Topics include documenting your professional growth, positioning yourself to succeed through scholarly and professional activities, and navigating the P4 year and the residency application process. Attendees will also have the opportunity to participate in a special roundtable session facilitated by current pharmacists. Sit down with residents to ask questions and acquire their perspectives on everything from applying and interviewing for residencies to excelling within the daily demands of residency.

Student and Resident Reception

Saturday, October 11; 7:00–8:00 p.m.

Enjoy food and beverages while you network with other students.

Clinical Pharmacy Career Path Roundtables

Sunday, October 12; 2:15–4:00 p.m.

Join fellow attendees for this dynamic session with insights on career pathways and opportunities within the clinical pharmacy profession. Students and postgraduate trainees will interact directly with clinical pharmacists in more than 15 specialty practice areas and discover a variety of unique career opportunities.

ACCP Residency and Fellowship Forum

Monday, October 13; 8:00–10:00 a.m.

Held exclusively at the ACCP Annual Meeting, the Residency and Fellowship Forum offers students and
ACCP’s Residency and Fellowship Forum is designed to connect preceptors and program directors with prospective candidates seeking 2015–2016 residency and fellowship positions. The Residency and Fellowship Forum will be held on Monday, October 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., during the 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas.

The Residency and Fellowship Forum provides preceptors and program directors an effective way to promote their programs and interview candidates who are seeking to take the next step in their training. ACCP’s online database of applicants will give registered preceptors and program directors the ability to view candidate resumes and contact potential applicants before the 2014 Annual Meeting. Preceptors and program directors interested in participating must have at least one current residency or fellowship position posted online and register to attend the 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting. Programs have until September 1 to reserve their table in the forum.

Applicants are encouraged to get a head start on identifying their next position by taking advantage of this early opportunity to meet face-to-face with the preceptors and directors of the programs in which they are interested. Registered applicants will receive access to online program listings before the meeting, including available fellowships and PGY1 and PGY2 residency positions. Applicants interested in participating must post their applicant profile online and register for the 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting.

Start your search early by registering for the ACCP Residency and Fellowship Forum. Visit www.accp.com/forum14 to obtain more information about this year’s ACCP Residency and Fellowship Forum and to register for the Annual Meeting. Contact Zangi Miti with questions.

Register Now for Last-Chance Certification Review Webinars

Are you planning to take the Pharmacotherapy Specialty Exam or the Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Specialty Exam, but are finding it difficult to start reviewing? Are you questioning whether you understand some key concepts? Could you use additional hours of continuing pharmacy education credit? If so, the ACCP “Last-Chance Certification Review Webinars” are designed just for you!

Avoid time-consuming and costly travel while reaping the benefits of brief concept overviews and vignette-based self-assessment questions and feedback led by nationally recognized content experts. The two interactive Web-based courses to be presented, Pharmacotherapy and Ambulatory Care Pharmacy, will be delivered directly to your home, office, or wherever you have broadband Internet access.
Both specialty areas will have two live sessions, each lasting 3 hours. The Pharmacotherapy webinar will be offered on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, September 2 and 3, 2014. The Ambulatory Care Pharmacy webinar will be offered on Thursday and Friday evenings, September 4 and 5, 2014.

Two different content areas will be covered each evening:

**Tuesday, September 2 – Pharmacotherapy**
- Gastrointestinal Disorders: 7:00–8:30 p.m. (EDT)
- Oncology Supportive Care: 8:30–10:00 p.m. (EDT)

**Wednesday, September 3 – Pharmacotherapy**
- Biostatistics: 7:00–8:30 p.m. (EDT)
- Cardiology: 8:30–10:00 p.m. (EDT)

**Thursday, September 4 – Ambulatory Care Pharmacy**
- Cardiology: 7:00–8:30 p.m. (EDT)
- Biostatistics: 8:30–10:00 p.m. (EDT)

**Friday, September 5 – Ambulatory Care Pharmacy**
- Infectious Diseases: 7:00–8:30 p.m. (EDT)
- Psychiatric Disorders: 8:30–10:00 p.m. (EDT)

Recordings of each session will be available beginning Monday, September 8, so if, for any reason, you can’t attend the programming presented on any individual evening, you’ll automatically have access to the recordings of each presentation. From a technical standpoint, it’s easy. All you need is broadband Internet access, an Internet browser, Adobe Flash Player (already installed on more than 98% of devices currently connected to the Internet; otherwise, a free download), and speakers or headphones for audio.

Registration is only $159.95 per specialty area (either Pharmacotherapy or Ambulatory Care Pharmacy) for anyone who attended ACCP Updates in Therapeutics® 2014 or purchased an ACCP Updates in Therapeutics® 2014 product. The cost is $189.95 per specialty area for all other ACCP members and $229.95 per specialty area.

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**ACCP Academy Prepares for New Class of Enrollees**

This fall at the 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting, each ACCP Academy will welcome three new classes of enrollees as each Academy certificate program offers the first half of its required and elective programming, beginning with the prerequisite “primers” on Saturday, October 11.

**ACCP Annual Meeting Academy Schedule**

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for nonmembers. “Seats” are limited, so sign up early at www.accp.com/meetings/w-lc14/.

2014 ACCP Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam Now Available

ACCP offers another way to study for the Pharmacotherapy Specialty Exam with the release of this year’s ACCP Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam. The 2014 ACCP Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam is a 200-item question bank that is based on the content and domains in the Board of Pharmacy Specialties (BPS) content outline. This exam provides you online access anywhere and at any time for 15 months. The exam can also be taken as many times as participants wish within those 15 months. Purchase by August 31 and receive up to a 15% discount on the regular price!

Enhance Your Studying

Developed and reviewed by board-certified clinical pharmacists, the ACCP Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam provides specific feedback customized to each participant. This feedback includes how much time is spent on each question and what types of questions are most often missed by the participant, as well as an answer key that contains explained answers and/or references for further study. This tool is ideal for anyone who has been studying for the Pharmacotherapy board exam and wants to learn more about his or her potential strengths and weaknesses in preparing for the exam.

Discount Pricing Until August 31

For a limited time only, save up to $10 off the regular price of the ACCP Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam. Purchase the mock exam by August 31, 2014, to receive the discounted price. The ACCP Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam is only $69.95 for ACCP members and $89.95 for nonmembers until August 31, 2014. Prices will increase on September 1, 2014. Purchase early at www.accp.com/bookstore/product.aspx?pc=meph14 for maximum savings.

Please note that no one involved in developing the ACCP Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam has served on a BPS Specialty Council, nor has anyone involved in the exam’s development served as an item writer for BPS.

2014 Annual Meeting Keynote Address to Focus on Patient-Centered Care and the Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH)

Join ACCP on Sunday, October 12, during the Opening General Session of the 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas, for the keynote address titled, “Patient-Centered Care and the PCMH—Where Are We, REALLY, and Where Do We Need to Go?” Marci Nielsen, Ph.D., MPH, chief executive officer of Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative, will serve as the 2014 Annual Meeting keynote speaker.

During the keynote address, Dr. Nielsen will present current evidence supporting the transformation of the U.S. primary care delivery system to the patient-centered medical home (PCMH) framework and identify the current gaps and challenges in the transformation process related to policy, delivery system, and payment reform areas. Dr. Nielsen will also discuss the contribution of the team-based approach to comprehensive medication management in achieving the overall goals of a highly functional PCMH. Attendees will appreciate the importance of actual team member performance in achieving PCMH goals and recognize the opportunities in practice and research from full participation in primary care’s transformation.

Dr. Nielsen’s experience includes time served as vice chancellor for public affairs and associate professor within the Department of Health Policy and Management at the University of Kansas School of Medicine. She was the first executive director and board chair to oversee the Kansas Health Policy Authority (Kansas Medicaid, the State Children’s Health Insurance Program, and the State Employee Health Program); she also served as a legislative assistant to U.S. Senator Bob Kerrey (D-NE) and was the health lobbyist and assistant director of legislation at the AFL-CIO. Dr. Nielsen has an undergraduate degree in biology and psychology from Briar Cliff University, an MPH degree from the George Washington University, and a Ph.D. degree in health policy and management from Johns Hopkins University. Early in her career, she worked as a Peace Corps volunteer for Thailand’s Ministry of Public Health and served for 6 years in the U.S. Army Reserves.

You won’t want to miss this thought-provoking kick-off to the 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting, beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 12, 2014.

Report of the Nominations Committee

The 2014 Nominations Committee has recommended the following slate of candidates for the 2015 ACCP election. The election will occur in spring 2015, and successful candidates will assume office at the 2015 ACCP Global Conference on Clinical Pharmacy in San Francisco, California.

President-Elect:
Marcia Buck, Pharm.D.; Charlottesville, VA
Cynthia Sanoski, Pharm.D.; Philadelphia, PA

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Paul Gubbins, Pharm.D.; Springfield, MO
Grace Kuo, Pharm.D., Ph.D., MPH; La Jolla, CA
Robert MacLaren, Pharm.D.; Denver, CO

Additional nominations may be made in writing to the secretary of the College, Krystal Haase, at ACCP, 13000 W. 87th Street Parkway, Lenexa, KS 66215. Nominations must clearly state the qualifications of the candidate, be signed by at least 86 Full Members (1% of eligible Full Members), and be submitted no later than September 12, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,
  Kim Tallian (chair), John Murphy (vice chair), Jill Borchert, Susan Fagan, Douglas Fish, Krystal Haase (secretary), and William Kehoe

Washington Report

John McGlew
Director of Government Affairs

Update from Capitol Hill

Congress has now officially adjourned, and the House and Senate are in the midst of their annual “August recess.” This year, the summer break will last for 5 weeks, with lawmakers due back in the Capitol on September 8.

Typically, Washington sees a flurry of activity toward the end of July as Congress scrambles to complete its work before members depart. In contrast, the 113th Congress seemed determined to protect its dubious distinction as the least productive Congress in history. As of July 30, Congress had enacted only 99 substantive public laws (alongside 29 pieces of ceremonial legislation). To put this in context, this figure represents around half as many substantive bills as were passed by the 112th Congress, when lawmakers narrowly avoided a government shutdown and a national default.

This lack of activity is particularly evident in the Senate, which did not pass a single piece of appropriations legislation, despite earlier assurances from Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) that June and July would be dedicated to advancing a legislative package to include these spending bills.

House Republicans pulled no punches in expressing their frustration at the Senate’s inactivity. The Republican National Committee (RNC) posted on Twitter: “The Republican House has worked to create jobs. Obstructionist @SenatorReid stands in the way. #FireReid.” The RNC noted that more than 300 House bills are waiting in the Senate, including 43 bills aimed at job creation. Democrats countered that Senate Republicans have cynically blocked legislation in the Senate to enable GOP candidates to run against a dysfunctional Congress. Because Democrats must defend 21 of the 36 Senate seats being contested, compared with 14 races for seats currently held by Republicans, Democrats will likely bear the brunt of voter frustration at the inability of this Congress to complete even routine legislative work.

In the final hours before the recess, despite a late collapse of negotiations over legislation that would provide emergency funding to address the emerging immigration crisis at the southern border with Mexico, Congress did eventually manage to deliver some meaningful legislative output before adjourning:
- A measure that would overhaul the troubled Department of Veterans Affairs, including $15 billion in emergency funding and confirmation of former Procter & Gamble executive Robert McDonald as the next Veterans Affairs secretary
- A 9-month extension that would keep the Highway Trust Fund solvent until May 2015
- Confirmation of John Tefft as ambassador to Russia

ACCP Submits Comments on Two Senate Finance Committee Initiatives

With Congress out of session until September and the November elections already looming, congressional staff acknowledge the unlikelihood of any major legislative initiatives advancing this year. But the Senate Committee on Finance is already looking ahead to the 114th Congress and has begun preliminary work on some important health care initiatives that could advance in 2015. ACCP recently provided comments on two issues under consideration.

Future of Health Care Data

Finance Committee Chairman Wyden (D-OR) and Senator Grassley (R-IA) invited health care stakeholders to provide input on ideas that will enhance the availability and utility of health care data while maintaining and strictly protecting patient privacy.

In a press release, the senators noted, Health care–related data, specifically, is a growing but largely untapped resource for accelerating improvements in health care quality and value. This data has great potential for use by consumers who can be empowered to choose providers that best fit their

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specific needs; by providers who can improve and deliver higher-quality care; and by payers who can design the most efficient and effective delivery models.

**Click here** to read ACCP’s comments.

**Chronic Illness: Addressing Patients’ Unmet Needs**

On July 15, the Finance Committee held a full hearing addressing the challenges of chronic illness. In his opening statement, Chairman Wyden noted that more than two-thirds of Medicare beneficiaries are now dealing with several chronic conditions and that their care accounts for almost all—93%—of Medicare spending. Chairman Wyden went on to highlight issues that arise when patient care, particularly related to medication use, is uncoordinated, with different providers operating in silos.

**Click here** to read more about the Senate Committee on Finance hearing.

**Click here** to read ACCP’s comments submitted to the committee.

**Medicare Initiative Advocacy**

As a reminder, ACCP members should take advantage of the August recess to engage with their members of Congress and help generate support for our Medicare Initiative to establish a comprehensive medication management benefit under Part B of the Medicare program. Here are four things you can do to assist in this effort:

**Invite your lawmakers to tour your practice setting.**

Hosting a visit of your elected officials to your practice is perhaps the single most important thing you can do to help lawmakers understand what team-based, patient-centered clinical practice is all about—and to generate their support for recognition and payment for clinical pharmacists’ services.

A visit also serves as a means to establish an ongoing constructive dialogue with your congressman or senator, and their staff, on issues important to the delivery of team-based, patient-centered care.

A comprehensive guide to inviting a member of Congress to tour your practice site is available on our [Legislative Action Center](https://legislative.accp.com/). If you would like to discuss the process of hosting a lawmaker at your practice site, please contact John McGlew at (202) 621-1820 or [jmcglew@accp.com](mailto:jmcglew@accp.com).

**Schedule meetings with your members of Congress or their staff.**

As the ongoing debate over Medicare physician payment reform shows, health care remains a priority on Capitol Hill. The August recess presents an ideal opportunity to schedule meetings with your elected officials to discuss your practice, your patients, and the importance of establishing a Medicare comprehensive medication management benefit. **Click here** to enter your zip code and obtain contact information for your elected officials.

**Find and attend a town hall meeting.**

To find out when and where these meetings are held, check your members’ Web sites, Facebook and Twitter accounts, and local newspapers, or directly call the offices of your elected officials. Some town hall meetings are held online or in conference calls. These town hall meetings provide an excellent forum for addressing the issue of health care delivery reform and the future of the Medicare program. Clinical pharmacists should take advantage of this opportunity to discuss ACCP’s Medicare Initiative.

**Send a letter to your lawmakers.**

We have prepared a letter to Congress describing our Medicare Initiative that you can review and edit. You can send this letter in just a few easy clicks, but for maximum impact, we encourage you to personalize the letter by sharing some additional information about your clinical practice and the patients you care for.

Simply **click here** to visit our Legislative Action Center, and follow the instructions to send your message to your representative and senators.

**Your Contribution to ACCP-PAC Can Help Advance Our Medicare Coverage Initiative**

The political reality is that a legislative initiative cannot move forward purely on the strength of its own merits—grassroots advocacy and financial contributions are key to demonstrating support for our initiative from elected officials’ own districts and states.

A well-funded political action committee (PAC) will give ACCP the resources it needs to support our friends on Capitol Hill. ACCP-PAC is the only political action committee dedicated to electing members of Congress who are committed to advancing our Medicare Initiative. Contributions from ACCP-PAC to members of Congress will raise our profile on Capitol Hill, improve our standing among key lawmakers, and provide unique opportunities to discuss our initiative with potential congressional champions. Our PAC will also help ensure that elected officials who support our initiative remain in office to advance the goals of the proposal in the future.

Only ACCP members are eligible to contribute to the PAC and allow us to make these vital political contributions. With more than 15,000 ACCP members, ACCP is in a position to become one of the most prominent pharmacy PACs in Washington. To do this, we need the widespread support of our membership.
If each ACCP member contributed just $25, ACCPPAC would raise $350,000. All ACCP members should consider donating at least $25 to ACCP-PAC. CLICK HERE to support your PAC today!

Now Accepting Applications – ACCP/ASHP/VCU Pharmacy Policy Fellow Program

The Congressional Healthcare Policy Fellow Program is a collaborative effort of ACCP, the School of Pharmacy at the Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University, and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

The program provides a unique health care policy learning experience designed to demonstrate the value of pharmacy-government interaction and to facilitate practical contributions to the effective use of scientific and pharmaceutical knowledge in government policy development. Fellows spend a month with each of the professional organizations as members of their respective government and professional affairs staff. In November of the fellow year, Fellows begin working on the staff of an individual senator or representative or a relevant congressional committee in a legislative environment requiring health care input.

The program is an enriching opportunity for the Fellow to develop legislative evaluation and policy development skills, improve research and writing skills, and integrate practical policy experience with theory. The Fellow will be expected to undertake a wide array of responsibilities that include researching and preparing briefs on health care issues; assisting with policy decisions; drafting memoranda; and planning, organizing, and carrying out program and management objectives. The congressional office (personal or committee) placement should ideally be with one of the committees that predominantly deal with health issues such as the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee and Senate Finance Committee or the House Ways and Means or Energy and Commerce committees.

Applications for 2015–2016 Pharmacy Healthcare Policy Fellow Program

Interested candidates should visit the Pharmacy Healthcare Policy Fellow Program’s Web site for more information and instruction on submitting an application.

Contact Us! For more information on any of ACCP’s advocacy efforts, please contact:

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ACCP Research Institute 2014 FIT Program

Thirteen investigator participants and 11 faculty mentors teamed up for 4½ days of intensive proposal development work at the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy from July 10 to 14, 2014. Guided by experienced mentors, mentees concentrated on and revised their individual research proposals throughout the week. Six small-group proposal development sessions kicked off with “Writing Killer Aims” and, working at the pace of the group, ended with a “Budget, Project Management, and Next Steps Toward Implementation” session. The small-group sessions were complemented by tip-rich lectures and discussions, one-on-one mentor and biostatistician appointments, and continual proposal revisions. See the full schedule at http://www.accpri.org/docs/fit/2014 FIT Schedule 1 page.pdf.
PRN-Sponsored FIT Tuition Scholarship Recipients for 2014:

Ambulatory Care PRN:
Tyler Gums, Daniel Riche (½), and Katy Trinkley

Critical Care PRN:
Scott Bolesta

Education/Training PRN:
Daniel Riche (½)

Hematology/Oncology PRN:
David DeRemer

Immunology/Transplantation PRN:
Irene La-Beck and Demetra Tsapepas

Infectious Diseases PRN:
Raymond Cha, Emi Minejima, and Kayla Stover

Note: The Adult Medicine PRN offered a scholarship that was not awarded in 2014.

2014 FIT Investigator Participants:

Allison Blackmer, Pharm.D., BCPS
*University of Michigan*

Scott Bolesta, Pharm.D., BCPS
*Wilkes University*

Kyle Burghardt, Pharm.D.
*Wayne State University*

Raymond Cha, Pharm.D., B.S. Pharmacy
*Wayne State University*

David DeRemer, Pharm.D., BCOP
*University of Georgia*

Tyler Gums, Pharm.D.
*University of Iowa*

Irene La-Beck, Pharm.D.
*Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center*

Annesha Lovett, Pharm.D., Ph.D., M.S.
*Mercer University*

Emi Minejima, Pharm.D.
*University of Southern California*

Daniel Riche, Pharm.D.
*University of Mississippi*

Kayla Stover, Pharm.D., BCPS (AQ-ID)
*University of Mississippi*

Katy Trinkley, Pharm.D.
*University of Colorado*

Demetra Tsapepas, Pharm.D., BCPS
*NY Presbyterian Hospital*

2014 FIT Faculty Mentors:

John D. Cleary, Pharm.D., FCCP
*University of Mississippi*

Jennifer Cocohoba, Pharm.D., MAS, BCPS
*University of California, San Francisco*

Vicki L. Ellingrod, Pharm.D., FCCP
*University of Michigan*

Mary H.H. Ensom, Pharm.D., FCCP, FASHP, FCSHP, FCAHS
*University of British Columbia*

Susan C. Fagan, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
*University of Georgia, Georgia Regents University*

Karen Farris, Ph.D.
*University of Michigan*

Reginald F. Frye, Pharm.D., Ph.D., FCCP
*University of Florida College of Pharmacy*

Maribeth Johnson, M.S.
*Medical College of Georgia, Georgia Regents University*

Grace M. Kuo, Pharm.D., Ph.D., MPH, FCCP
*University of California San Diego*

Jeannine McCune, Pharm.D., BCOP
*University of Washington (unable to attend)*

Robert B. Parker, Pharm.D., FCCP
*University of Tennessee*

Lynda Welage, Pharm.D., FCCP
*University of New Mexico*

The FIT Program is designed for mid-career clinical pharmacy researchers who have yet to receive significant funding. The program is especially well-suited for those pursuing NIH R- or K-type (Career Development) awards. Watch [www.accpri.org](http://www.accpri.org) for the summer 2015 FIT program announcement and application information, or call the ACCP Research Institute at (913) 492-3311 for additional information.

**ACCP PBRN Welcomes Two New Members of the Community Advisory Panel**

The ACCP PBRN is pleased to announce that two new members will join the Community Advisory Panel (CAP). Beginning October 12, 2014, Jeffrey Cies and Robert DiDomenico will join current CAP members Kari Olson (chair), Margie Snyder (vice chair), Bill Baker, Varsha Bhatt-Mehta, Wesley Byerly, Collin Hovinga, Richard Parrish II, Kelly Rudd, Gregory Smallwood, and Orly Vardeny.
The CAP is a standing committee to the ACCP PBRN with the mission of representing the breadth and depth of PBRN members. Furthermore, the CAP is used as a mechanism for readily available feedback regarding the feasibility and practicality of proposed research projects. You may read more about CAP members by visiting www.accpri.org/cap/index.aspx.

**Back-to-School Special at the ACCP Bookstore**

As the new academic year approaches, it is time for back-to-school shopping. The ACCP Bookstore is ready to help with a special offer on select ACCP publications. Whether you are a new or experienced faculty member or a student or resident, the ACCP Bookstore can enhance your professional resource collection.

Visit the ACCP Bookstore at [www.accp.com/bookstore](http://www.accp.com/bookstore) and place an order for any of the popular titles featured below. When you enter the promotion code BTS2014, you’ll automatically receive 15% off member or non-member pricing!

**How to Develop a Business Plan for Pharmacy Services, Second Edition,** is designed as a tool to assist individuals in evaluating and creating pharmacy service proposals by promoting critical thinking in key areas through the use of selected, thought-provoking questions. It will assist pharmacy clinicians, managers, and leaders in exploring, researching, proposing, and implementing new services and in enhancing existing services by providing a systematic approach to the business planning process. The materials presented are applicable to pharmacy services in hospitals, community practice, managed care organizations, ambulatory clinics, and elsewhere. The book is also useful as a teaching tool in the classroom environment. Business planning is an important skill for pharmacy students, and many colleges/schools of pharmacy have required or elective courses on this subject.

**Nourishing the Soul of Pharmacy: Stories of Reflection** is a collection of essays from clinical pharmacists who reflect on their role in patient care and illustrate the soul of pharmacy in its many forms. This reflective inquiry reminds practitioners of their power to transform the delivery of health services in the continuum of care. Essays by senior professors and beginning faculty, pharmacy directors and new clinicians, preceptors and residents, students in Pharm.D. programs, and pharmacists from industry and government reveal how critical reflection on pharmacy situations can lead to complex insights and improved patient care.

**The Clinical Faculty Survival Guide** provides clinical faculty practical information, advice, and encouragement for succeeding in the roles of practitioner, teacher, researcher, and scholar. You will find the content advantageous whether you are a new or seasoned faculty member or a resident, fellow, or graduate student. The advice provided by the Clinical Faculty Survival Guide will make this a valuable addition to your professional library.

If you are a resident, planning to be a resident, or involved in resident training, the Resident Survival Guide is your best resource for negotiating your entire residency experience. When you choose to become a pharmacy resident, a world of opportunities and challenges is opened up to you. This guide has been developed to assist you in meeting those challenges and taking advantage of those opportunities.

**Clinical Pharmacy in the United States: Transformation of a Profession** is a comprehensive account of the evolution of clinical pharmacy and is a must-read for anyone who cares about the profession of pharmacy. This book’s unique design offers an important context beyond pharmacy by providing an overview of U.S. culture, politics, economics, technology, health care, and other events—chronicled alongside the major clinical pharmacy events of the past several decades. Reflective essays written by the leaders of our profession appear throughout the book.

This offer will be valid until midnight, Monday, September 1, 2014. Take advantage of this special opportunity to purchase these favorite titles. Order online at [www.accp.com/bookstore](http://www.accp.com/bookstore) or by telephone at (913) 492-3311. Remember to add promotion code BTS2014 to your order to receive special pricing.
ACCP Volunteer Recognition

The following individuals have made significant contributions to ACCP during the past 2 years. ACCP congratulates them for being nominated by their peers and thanks them for their significant contributions to the organization.

Adult Medicine PRN
Sarah L. Anderson, Pharm.D., BCPS; Assistant Professor, Department of Clinical Pharmacy at University of Colorado School of Pharmacy, Denver, CO.

Lindsay Arnold, Pharm.D., BCPS; Clinical Specialist in Cardiology at Boston Medical Center, Boston, MA.

Melissa Badowski, Pharm.D., BCPS, AAHIVE; Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice at University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL.

Mid-Atlantic College of Clinical Pharmacy (MACCP) Chapter
Ellena Anagnostis, Pharm.D., M.S., BCPS; Drug Information Specialist; Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Philadelphia, PA.

Tiffany Bias, Pharm.D., B.S., AAHIVP; Infectious Disease Clinical Pharmacy Specialist; Hahnemann University Hospital, Philadelphia, PA.

Grace Earl, Pharm.D., BCPS; Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy; University of the Sciences Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, Philadelphia, PA.

Joseph Kluck, Pharm.D., BCPS; Clinical Specialist; Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

John Knorr, Pharm.D., BCPS; Transplant Clinical Pharmacist and Student Clerkship Coordinator; Einstein Medical Center, Philadelphia, PA.

Sejal Patel, Pharm.D., BCPS; Patient Care Pharmacist – Emergency Medicine; Methodist Hospital – Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Philadelphia, PA.

Bhavik Shah, Pharm.D., BCPS, AAHIVP; Assistant Professor Department of Pharmacy Practice; Thomas Jefferson University – Jefferson School of Pharmacy, Philadelphia, PA.

New York State College of Clinical Pharmacy
Amy Barton Pai, Pharm.D., FCCP, FASN, BCPS; Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice and Director-ANephRx Core Laboratory; Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Albany, NY.

Kelly Rudd, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCACP; Clinical Pharmacy Service Coordinator, Network Coordinator of Anticoagulation, and Clinical Pharmacy Specialist; Bassett Medical Center, Cooperstown, NY.

Visit http://www.accp.com/membership/vrp.aspx to view the current listing of volunteers recognized and their specific contributions to the College.

Global Health PRN Receives ACCP Board Approval

ACCP members seeking to network with member colleagues who share their practice and research interests now have a choice of 24 Practice and Research Networks (PRNs), the newest of which is the Global Health PRN. Approved by the ACCP Board of Regents on July 23, the new PRN offers ACCP members a dedicated network to address global health concerns, help reduce disparities in the delivery of pharmacy services on an international level, and learn from the successes and mistakes of other nations through education, research, and idea sharing.

The new PRN will host a planning meeting and networking forum during the upcoming 2014 ACCP Annual Meeting in Austin. The planning meeting will be held during the evening PRN business and networking forums. The schedule of the meeting will be confirmed within the next few weeks.

The founding chair of the Global Health PRN, Renee Holder, Pharm.D., BCPS, believes that clinical pharmacists should have a significant stake in establishing their role in global health. “I was thrilled to learn that ACCP has recognized the need for the Global Health PRN,” she said.

The PRN will provide existing and new ACCP members with a network to address global health concerns and to share practice models and research on an international level. Regardless of your practice setting or specialty, there is likely a topic or practice issue you encounter on a regular basis that transcends geographic borders. I encourage you to join or learn more at the annual meeting.

Dr. Holder is an assistant professor of pharmacy practice at Roseman University of Health Sciences College of Pharmacy, Henderson, Nevada.

To join the Global Health PRN, visit http://www.accp.com/prns/entrance.aspx?prn=GLBL.
The ACCP family was deeply saddened by the death of founding member Charles Walton on July 31, 2014. Dr. Walton was a past member of the Board of Regents and an Honorary ACCP Fellow. Dr. Walton was one of clinical pharmacy’s most influential leaders and pioneers. His vision that pharmacists would one day become direct patient care providers who optimize the use of medications and improve patient outcomes had an important impact on the formation and direction of ACCP. His mentoring played a major role in the development of many of today’s clinical pharmacy leaders. He inspired generations of student pharmacists, residents, and young faculty at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, and the University of Texas, San Antonio, to achieve excellence in clinical practice, education, and research. In 2006, he received ACCP’s most prestigious award, the Paul F. Parker Medal. He is survived by his wife, Joyce, of Titus, Alabama, and two sons, Charles A. and Kendall M. Walton. See Dr. Walton’s complete biography at http://www.utexas.edu/pharmacy/news/spotwalton14.html.

2015 Committee and Task Force Progress Report

ACCP thanks the more than 900 ACCP members who expressed interest in devoting time to committees, task forces, and other volunteer activities during the upcoming year. All members were asked to indicate the specific ACCP activities in which they were interested by responding to ACCP’s annual survey for volunteers, conducted from June 27 to July 18. President-Elect Judith Jacobi is expected to complete the initial committee roster assignments soon, and committee/task force e-mail invitations will be sent to members by August 25. Because some members may find themselves unable to serve, it is expected that additional invitations will be distributed in early September. ACCP will provide a final update on 2015 committees and task forces in next month’s newsletter.

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Emily Logan
Mark Logan
James Lokken
Adrienne Lunde
Harriet Manis
Kaylee Marino
Anna Marsakova
Kourtney Marsh
The following individuals recently advanced from Associate to Full Member:

Daniel Aistrope  
Megan Bauer  
Philip Chung  
Camilla Farrell  
Erin Hennessey  
Laura Hogue  
Immanuel Ijo  
Erik Kellison  
Armine Khachatryan  
Thomas Nester  
Rebecca Pettit  
Molly Rockstad  
Brian Simmons  
Catherine Sury  
Brian Tsuji  
Izabela Wozniak

New Member Recruiters

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

Ryan Bookout  
Jennifer Ellison  
Carinda Feild  
Rachel Franks  
Candice Garwood  
Tina Hardison  
Lisa Hutchison  
Kimberly Kelly  
Jennifer Kohn  
Michael Kraft  
Ashley Lawrence  
Deanna McDanel  
Kristin Otting  
Elizabeth Phillips  
Nicole Pinelli  
Diane Rhee  
Kellie Rose  
Stacy Schmitting  
Joseph Smith  
Mate Soric  
Chris Tawwater  
Joseph Vande Griend  
Emily Volger  
Todd Walroth  
Chelsea Warren  
Peggy Yam
Position Responsibilities

The director of clinical practice advancement is responsible for leading the work of the College in developing and promoting the professional resources, guidelines, and standards of practice for clinical pharmacists which advance the type of team-based, patient-centered care delivery that improves patient outcomes.

This newly established, full-time position reports to the Associate Executive Director (AED) and is based in ACCP’s Washington, DC, office.

Principal activities will include:

- Identification, development, and promotion of effective programs, products, and services that support the patient care and practice/business operational needs of clinical pharmacists in practice.
- Communication, analysis, and tracking of the status and developments of clinical pharmacist practice regulation, innovation, credentialing, and privileging at the national and state levels. Collaboration and communication with medical, pharmacy, other health professional organizations, and patient advocacy groups to promote improved medication use quality and safety by clinical pharmacists as accountable and responsible members of health care teams. Communication and collaboration with the practice-based research network (PBRN) of the ACCP Research Institute in the area of practice-relevant research.
- Preparation of appropriate reports, issue briefs, and related informational documents that inform and support the analysis and decision-making activities of the ACCP senior staff and Board of Regents related to practice advancement and professional affairs.
- Supervision and mentoring of the ACCP/ASHP/VCU health policy fellow jointly with the AED and Director of Government Affairs.
- Preparation of regular updates, reports, and other pieces for the ACCP Report, ACCP Website, and other communications media.
- Performance of other duties as assigned by the AED or the Executive Director.

Qualifications

The successful candidate will have an earned Pharm.D. degree, will have completed residency training (PGY1 required, PGY2 preferred), and will be certified by the Board of Pharmacy Specialties (BPS) in a recognized pharmacy practice specialty (or eligible for certification in a specialty currently in development by BPS). A minimum of 5 years’ experience in direct patient care (beyond postgraduate training) as a member of interprofessional health care teams in either ambulatory or inpatient settings is expected.

Preference will be given to candidates with a demonstrated record of achievement in clinical practice innovation and implementation. A fundamental working knowledge of credentialing, privileging, major health care reform issues, practice design, payment policy, health care coding and billing, and postgraduate health professional education and training is desirable.

Salary will be commensurate with experience. A competitive benefits package is provided, including relocation expenses, employee health and life insurance, a 401(k) retirement program, flexible annual leave policies, and support for professional development. Recruitment will continue until the position is filled. Candidates should submit a letter of interest and curriculum vitae to:

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