Evans Named 2017 Parker Medalist

William E. Evans, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, has been chosen by the Parker Medal Selection Committee as the 2017 recipient of the College’s Paul F. Parker Medal for Distinguished Service to the Profession of Pharmacy. Evans currently holds the ALSAC Endowed Chair of Pharmacogenomics at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital (SJCRH). Before assuming his present position, Evans served as the CEO of SJCRH from 2004 to 2014.

Paul Parker was one of clinical pharmacy’s most influential proponents. Before his death in 1998, Parker spent 24 years as director of pharmacy at the University of Kentucky Albert B. Chandler Hospital 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. 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 and colleagues. 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 patient populations, further the professional role of pharmacists, or expand the recognition of pharmacists as health professionals.

The Parker Medal Selection Committee noted Evans’ lifetime research record, visionary leadership, and international impact. The committee wrote the following in its report to the ACCP Board of Regents,

One of his nominators described him as “the preeminent clinical pharmacy scientist in the world.” His research findings on the pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, and pharmacogenomics of anticancer drugs have been published in the most prestigious journals in the biomedical and life sciences, and the citation of his work ranks among the top 1% of scientists worldwide. He has been continuously funded by the National Institutes of Health for several decades, including three consecutive MERIT awards.

Dr. Evans is also a visionary leader. While President and CEO of SJCRH, he led St. Jude’s efforts to achieve recognition as the only NCI-designated comprehensive cancer center devoted solely to children. Prior to that, Dr. Evans served as chair of the Pharmaceutical Department. Through his departmental leadership, clinical pharmacists have been embedded at SJCRH for decades as significant members of the health care team. St. Jude was the first major health care institution in the United States to clinically implement broad-ranging pharmacogenetic testing—it was also the first institution to launch an ASHP-accredited PGY2 residency in pharmacogenomics.

Throughout his career, Bill has never forgotten his pharmacy roots. In his supporting letter, [University of Illinois at Chicago Dean] Dr. Jerry Bauman noted, “I’m quite certain he revels in making sure scientific colleagues from other disciplines know he is a pharmacist.”

Evans’ supporters commented further on the influence of his research. In his letter of nomination, Parker Medalist Milap Nahata wrote, “Bill’s work has had staggering impact, resulting in increased survival and decreased morbidity in children with cancer.” In her letter supporting the nomination, University of Florida dean Julie Johnson pointed out that Evans’ research has had a “direct and lasting impact, which has resulted in the extension of life in countless numbers of children with cancer.” She added:

His work ranges from highly practical clinical trials that change treatment approaches, to complex genetic and molecular biology studies that enhance
our fundamental knowledge. His research findings have dramatically affected the manner in which patients with acute lymphoblastic leukemia are treated throughout the world. Among his contributions are helping to define the combinations of drugs and doses that are highly efficacious in this patient population, the determination of optimal drug concentrations to improve efficacy and reduce toxicity of the drugs used in the cancer treatment regimen, and the impact of genetic variability on metabolism of thiopurines and many other drugs used in childhood cancers.

Evans has written more than 400 scientific publications and has received several awards for his research, including the ACCP Therapeutic Frontiers and Russell Miller awards, the Pediatric Oncology Award from the American Society of Clinical Oncology (shared with Mary V. Relling of SJCRH), the Team Science Prize from the American Association for Cancer Research (shared with colleagues at SJCRH), the American Pharmacists Association Remington Honor Medal, and the Oscar B. Hunter Award from the American Society for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Board of Pharmacy Specialties as its immediate past chair, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Tennessee system, and as chair of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Princess Máxima Center for Pediatric Oncology in the Netherlands. He was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences in 2002, the U.S. National Academy of Medicine in 2015, and the German National Academy of Sciences in 2016. He is a founding member of ACCP and served as its second president.

The 2017 Paul F. Parker Medal will be presented during the Awards Ceremony at the 2017 ACCP Annual Meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, on Sunday morning, October 8. Evans will attend to accept the medal and deliver a brief acceptance address. The Parker Medal Selection Committee is composed of representatives from member organizations of the Joint Commission of Pharmacy Practitioners, together with past presidents of ACCP. Members of the 2017 selection committee were Gary Yee (chair), Nicole Brandt, Curtis Haas, Lynnae Mahaney, Jean Nappi, Mary Beth O’Connell, Matthew Osterhaus, Peggy Piascik, Robert E. Smith, and James Tisdale.

Kosirog, Sobieraj, and Thurston to Receive ACCP Honors

ACCP members Emily Kosirog, Diana M. Sobieraj, and Maria M. Thurston were selected by the 2017 ACCP Awards Committee to receive the College’s prestigious 2017 New Clinical Practitioner, New Investigator, and New Educator awards, respectively. The awards will be presented Sunday, October 8, 2017, in Phoenix during the Awards Ceremony of the 2017 ACCP Annual Meeting.

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 or her terminal training or degree less than 6 years previously. Emily Kosirog, Pharm.D., BCACP, is a clinical pharmacist at Salud Family Health Centers and an assistant professor of clinical pharmacy at the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy. Dr. Tillman Farley, chief medical officer for Salud Family Health Centers, wrote in his letter of support,

Salud Family Health Centers is a large federally qualified health center with 12 sites across most of northeastern Colorado.... This is a very impoverished and vulnerable population with little other access to care. We continually strive towards the triple aim of improved outcomes, higher patient satisfaction, and lower costs. Dr. Kosirog began work at Salud Family Health Centers several years ago as our first clinical pharmacist. We engaged her specifically to develop our clinical pharmacy services. Initially, she was funded through a time limited grant from the Colorado Health Foundation. Based on the strength of her work, we were able to secure indefinite funding through the state Regional Care Collaboratives (RCCOs). As you know, the hardest part of any grant program is figuring out how to make it sustainable. During Dr. Kosirog’s first three years at Salud, she was able not only to build a substantial clinical pharmacy service, but she built it so effectively and with such good data-supported-outcomes that we had no problem demonstrating its value to the RCCOs. Because of Dr. Kosirog’s excellent work, Salud Family Health Centers now has a clinical pharmacy program consisting of 6 clinical pharmacists operating out of 5 Salud sites across northeastern Colorado.
Dr. Dennis K. Helling, executive director emeritus of Pharmacy Operations & Therapeutics at Kaiser Permanente Colorado, commented in his letter of nomination,

Dr. Kosirog is committed to patient care and educating future pharmacists. Since completing residency training, she has provided care for hundreds of Coloradans who never would have had the opportunity to interact with a clinical pharmacist. Dr. Kosirog provides compassionate care in both English and Spanish, treating many patients who are uninsured or under-insured. She has precepted more than a dozen pharmacy students, and serves as a core preceptor for the University of Colorado PGY2 Ambulatory Care Residency. She teaches students and residents to provide compassionate care, as well as culturally sensitive care, for each individual patient to understand and overcome barriers to optimal health. As a result of the expanded Salud funding, the 2016-2017 residency will grow to include a “FQHC” Track, which will annually train two future ambulatory care practitioners to provide care in the unique FQHC environment.

Kosirog has also been actively involved in ACCP, having served as a member of the Ambulatory Care PRN Advocacy Committee and as a reviewer for the College’s On-Demand CV Review Service. She is the founder and moderator of the FQHC Clinical Pharmacy Listserv, a service with more than 50 FQHC pharmacist-subscribers who share ideas and best practices. Also engaged in scholarship, Kosirog at the time of her nomination had published in peer-reviewed journals and contributed to a 2015 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation white paper titled “Lessons from the Field: Promising Interprofessional Collaboration Practices.” Her work has been presented at national meetings, including those of ACCP, the National Association of Community Health Centers, and the College of Psychiatric & Neurologic Pharmacists.

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. Diana M. Sobieraj, Pharm.D., BCPS, is a tenure-track assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice at the University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy in Hartford, Connecticut. She received her Pharm.D. degree from the University of Rhode Island and completed PGY1 residency training at Hartford Hospital/University of Connecticut followed by a 2-year fellowship in cardiovascular pharmacology and outcomes at the UConn/Hartford Hospital Evidence-Based Practice Center. Sobieraj’s research is in comparative effectiveness and health outcomes. She has published more than 40 papers in peer-reviewed literature for journals such as *Annals of Internal Medicine, Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, and *International Journal of Cardiology*. Dr. Margie Snyder, associate professor of pharmacy practice at Purdue University College of Pharmacy, commented on Sobieraj’s qualifications for the New Investigator Award in the letter supporting Sobieraj’s nomination:

I have known Diana for approximately two years. We became acquainted through our service to the ACCP PBRN Community Advisory Panel and the Health Outcomes PRN. I have come to know Diana as an incredibly organized, hard-working, thoughtful, team player. It is a privilege to work with her. Most relevant to this award, Diana is an excellent scientist with a truly impressive track record.... Clearly, Diana has distinguished herself as an outstanding new investigator who has emerged not only as a leader in her field of research but also as a dedicated member of ACCP. In particular, she is clearly a leading scholar in the conduct of rigorous systematic reviews and meta-analyses pertaining to clinical pharmacy practice. In addition to her early success in securing research funding and publishing her work in high-impact journals, Diana has received numerous accolades for her scholarship.

Dr. Craig Coleman, professor of pharmacy practice at the University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy, added in his letter of nomination:

Dr. Sobieraj’s accomplishments as a scholar have been nothing short of remarkable. She has demonstrated an ability to have her work published in highly-regarded peer-reviewed journals and to attract significant extramural funding.... To date, Dr. Sobieraj has been awarded grants in excess of $2 million to support her research program. This includes a recent award as PI from the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute (through the AHRQ Evidence-Based Practice Center program) to perform evidence synthesis tasks related to the pharmacologic management of asthma. These evidence synthesis reports will be used to support the forthcoming update of the Expert Panel Report Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma.

Sobieraj will deliver the annual New Investigator Award lecture during the October 8 Awards Ceremony at the ACCP Annual Meeting in Phoenix.
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. Maria M. Thurston, Pharm.D., BCPS, is a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice at Mercer University College of Pharmacy and an ambulatory care clinical pharmacy specialist at WellStar Atlanta Medical Center in Atlanta, Georgia. Thurston received her Pharm.D. degree from the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy and completed PGY1 residency training at the Atlanta VA Medical Center and PGY2 residency training at the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy in collaboration with the Charlie Norwood VA Medical Center and Athens Community-Based Outpatient Clinic. At Mercer, she has been instrumental in developing and implementing a professional engagement program across the curriculum and working to advance interprofessional education. Mercer University associate professor and vice chair Kathryn Momary wrote in her letter of nomination, As chair of our Professionalism Committee, Dr. Thurston led the College’s effort to develop an innovative co-curricular “Professional Engagement Program,” in accordance with [ACPE] Standards 2016. The program places student pharmacists into Professional Development Networks (PDNs) that consist of approximately 30 students across all four professional years, teamed with two faculty members, and two alumni members for the purpose of professional guidance and mentorship.... When the students were surveyed regarding the program, 83% of students were satisfied or very satisfied with PDN overall, and 90% were satisfied or very satisfied with the professional development resources provided through the program.... Dr. Thurston has also been significantly involved in Mercer’s inter-professional education efforts since her first semester with the University in fall, 2012. As part of the course she co-coordinated at the time, she helped to develop and organize two university-wide activities, one on ethics and the other on professionalism. The learning experiences involved multidisciplinary, case-based vignettes that allowed students to explore similarities and differences in ethical decision-making and professional styles between occupations. Students from all health care professions on Mercer’s Atlanta campus were involved including pharmacy, nursing, clinical psychology, physician assistant, and physical therapy.

In addition to being honored as the 2012 Outstanding Young Health-System Pharmacist by the Georgia Society of Health-System Pharmacists, Thurston received the ACCP Ambulatory Care PRN member Recognition Award in 2016. She is also actively engaged in research and scholarship and has presented her work at national professional and scientific meetings. Thurston has cowritten two textbook chapters and published her research in peer-reviewed journals, including the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education, Annals of Pharmacotherapy, Clinical Diabetes, and Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics.

Members of the 2017 ACCP Awards Committee were Krystal Edwards (chair), Brad Phillips (vice chair), Miranda Andrus, Jessica Cottreau, Michael Ernst, Leslie Hamilton, Brent Reed, and Nancy Yunker.

2017 Annual Meeting Keynote to Focus on Big Data for Team-Based, Patient-Centered Health Care

Join ACCP on Saturday, October 7, during the 2017 ACCP Annual Meeting Welcome and Keynote Address, “Big Data for Team-Based, Patient-Centered Health Care: A Clinical Framework.” Summerpal Kahlon, M.D., director of Care Innovation at Oracle Health Sciences in Orlando, Florida, will serve as the 2017 Annual Meeting keynote speaker.

During the keynote address, Kahlon will provide insight into the emerging world of “big data” and how it pertains to the advancement of clinical pharmacy practice. Moreover, he will discuss how to incorporate and use robust data sets and information to improve clinical and humanistic outcomes for patients, as well as describe the current policy and advocacy issues that intersect with the world of big data.

In his work at Oracle Health Sciences, Kahlon focuses on delivering technological infrastructure to support individualized care at the intersection of population health and precision medicine. Kahlon has a background in electronic health records, health data exchange, mHealth, telemedicine, and community practice as an adult infectious diseases specialist in Florida. He is currently on staff at the Orlando VA Medical Center and is an assistant professor of medicine at the University of Central Florida College of Medicine. You will not want to miss this thought-provoking kick-off to the 2017 ACCP Annual Meeting, 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 7, 2017.
ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge: Team
Registration Deadline Is August 24

Register Today!
ACCP’s novel pharmacy student team competition will begin Monday, August 28, 2017. The ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge offers eligible teams the opportunity to compete in up to four online rounds, with the top eight teams advancing to the live quarterfinal competition at the 2017 ACCP Annual Meeting in Phoenix, October 7–10. Team registration is available online. Be sure to register your team by the August 24 deadline.

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.

Preliminary rounds of the national competition will be conducted virtually in August and September. The quarterfinal, semifinal, and final rounds will be held live October 7–9, 2017, at the ACCP Annual Meeting in Phoenix. For complete competition information, click here.

Call for Nominations

All nomination materials, including letters, curricula vitae or resumes, and other supporting documents, can be submitted online to ACCP. The online nominations portal specifies the nominating materials required for each award, honor, and elective office. Click here to access the nominations portal.

PLEASE NOTE:

Due November 30, 2017 – Nominations for the fall 2018 awards (Elenbaas Service, Russell R. Miller, Clinical Practice, and Education awards), the 2019 Therapeutic Frontiers Lecture Award, and the 2019 elected offices.

Due February 15, 2018 – Nominations for the 2018 Parker Medal, the 2018 “new” awards (New Investigator, New Clinical Practitioner, and New Educator), and the 2018 ACCP Fellows (FCCPs).

2019 Officers and Regents: President-Elect, Regents, and Research Institute Trustees. Nominees must be Full Members of ACCP and should have (1) achieved excellence in clinical pharmacy practice, research, or education; (2) demonstrated leadership capabilities; and (3) made prior contributions to ACCP. Current members of the Nominations Committee are ineligible. Please note that any qualifying Full Member may nominate himself or herself for office.

Nomination deadline: November 30, 2017.

2018 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 must be nominated by any two Full Members other than the nominee, by any Fellow, or by any member of the Board of Regents. Current members of the Board of Regents, Research Institute Board of Trustees, Pharmacotherapy Board of Directors, or Credentials: FCCP Committee are ineligible for consideration.


2018 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, finance, technology, information processing, service delivery, models of care, and advocacy. The award is not limited to pharmacists or ACCP members. All nominations must consist of a letter detailing the nominee’s qualifications for this award and his or her contributions to the profession of pharmacy; the nominee’s curriculum vitae, resume, or biographical sketch as available; and a minimum of three letters of recommendation. At least one of these letters must be from an individual outside the nominee’s current practice locale. Current members...
of the Board of Regents, Research Institute Board of Trustees, Pharmacotherapy Board of Directors, Parker Medal Selection Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. **Nomination deadline: February 15, 2018.**

**Robert M. Elenbaas Service Award:** Given only when a particularly noteworthy candidate is identified in recognition of outstanding contributions to the vitality of ACCP or to the advancement of its goals that are well above the usual devotion of time, energy, or material goods. All nominations must include a letter of nomination from an ACCP member detailing the nominee’s qualifications for the award, the nominee’s curriculum vitae, and two letters of support from a minimum of two ACCP members that describe the individual’s accomplishments relative to the award criteria. At least one of the required letters of support must be from an individual outside the nominee’s current place of employment. Additional letters of support may also be included. Current members of the Board of Regents, Research Institute Board of Trustees, Pharmacotherapy Board of Directors, Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. **Nomination deadline: November 30, 2017.**

**2019 Therapeutic Frontiers Lecture Award:** Honors an internationally recognized scientist whose research is actively advancing the frontiers of pharmacotherapy. Recipients need not be ACCP members. All nominations must include a letter of nomination from an ACCP member detailing the nominee’s qualifications for the award, the nominee’s curriculum vitae, and two letters of support from a minimum of two ACCP members that describe the individual’s accomplishments relative to the award criteria. At least one of the required letters of support must be from an individual outside the nominee’s current place of employment. Additional letters of support may also be included. Current members of the Board of Regents, Research Institute Board of Trustees, Pharmacotherapy Board of Directors, Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. **Nomination deadline: November 30, 2017.**

**2018 Clinical Practice Award:** Recognizes an ACCP member who has shown excellence in providing clinical pharmacy services, provided leadership in developing cost-effective clinical pharmacy services, or shown sustained excellence in providing clinical pharmacy services. All nominations must include a letter of nomination from an ACCP member detailing the nominee’s qualifications for the award, the nominee’s curriculum vitae, and two letters of support from a minimum of two ACCP members that describe the individual’s accomplishments relative to the award criteria. At least one of the required letters of support must be from an individual outside the nominee’s current place of employment. Additional letters of support may be provided, including letters from non-ACCP members. Self-nominations are not permitted. Current members of the Board of Regents, Research Institute Board of Trustees, Pharmacotherapy Board of Directors, Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. **Nomination deadline: November 30, 2017.**

**2018 Education Award:** Recognizes an ACCP member who has shown excellence in the classroom and/or clinical training site, conducted innovative research in clinical pharmacy education, demonstrated exceptional dedication to continuous professional development, or shown leadership in developing clinical pharmacy education programs. All nominations must include a letter of nomination from an ACCP member detailing the nominee’s qualifications for the award, the nominee’s curriculum vitae, and two letters of support from a minimum of two ACCP members that describe the individual’s accomplishments relative to the award criteria. At least one of the required letters of support must be from an individual outside the nominee’s current place of employment. Additional letters of support may be provided, including letters from non-ACCP members. Self-nominations are not permitted. Current members of the Board of Regents, Research Institute Board of Trustees, Pharmacotherapy Board of Directors, Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. **Nomination deadline: November 30, 2017.**

**2018 Russell R. Miller Award:** Recognizes an ACCP member who has made substantial contributions to the literature of clinical pharmacy, either as a single, especially noteworthy contribution or as a sustained contribution over time. All nominations must include a letter of nomination from an ACCP member detailing the nominee’s qualifications for the award, the nominee’s curriculum vitae, and two letters of support from a minimum of two ACCP members 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 provided, including letters from non-ACCP members. Self-nominations are not permitted. Current members of the Board of Regents, Research Institute Board of Trustees, Pharmacotherapy Board of Directors, Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. **Nomination deadline: November 30, 2017.**
Additional refinement by the ACCP staff, together with sessions at the board’s February meeting in Jacksonville and its May meeting in Kansas City, culminated in final approval of the 2017 strategic plan. The new plan is now available on the ACCP website.

The 2017 strategic plan is based on ACCP’s overarching purpose to help clinical pharmacists best serve patients and society. The focus remains the same as for the 2013 strategic plan: to develop, advance, and position clinical pharmacists to fully contribute their unique expertise to the care of the patients they serve. The plan sets forth the steps ACCP has established to achieve its goals within each of these priority areas. Although the College’s purpose and focus have remained

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consistent, its priorities continue to change according to the issues affecting clinical pharmacists. These issues were identified through both member input and the environmental scans conducted by the board and staff. The first critical issue addresses professional development. Strategic directions for this critical issue include programs to help members expand their clinical practice skills, develop knowledge and skills in precision medicine, and acquire the foundational knowledge needed to pursue clinical pharmacy/practice-based research. Anticipated steps that will address this critical issue include delivering interprofessional educational programs for clinical specialists, using novel mechanisms to provide professional development curricula, and introducing clinical traineeships in focused practice areas, pharmacogenomics-driven precision medicine, and research.

The second critical issue addresses advancing clinical pharmacists in their roles as patient care providers, educators, and researchers. Strategic directions include supporting the implementation of comprehensive medication management (CMM) as an essential component of medication optimization. Work in this area will focus on assessing the learnings from the ACCP-funded CMM study and developing resources for clinical pharmacists that will facilitate CMM implementation. Other strategic directions concentrate on enhancing the growth and evolution of clinical pharmacy worldwide as well as initiating several new projects to promote the development of future clinical pharmacy leaders. The College anticipates that these strategic directions will result in new ACCP Academy programming, a clinical pharmacist leadership sabbatical experience, and perhaps an executive fellowship in clinical pharmacy for recent PGY1 or PGY2 residency graduates wishing to pursue clinical leadership positions or careers in professional/scientific societies.

The final critical issue—positioning clinical pharmacists to fully contribute to patient care—will be addressed through a wide range of objectives. The strategic directions for this issue will complement those described previously, such as developing an ACCP position statement on the value of clinical pharmacists in medication optimization that highlights the results of the CMM study both within the profession and beyond and expanding practice and research opportunities for clinical pharmacists through engagement and collaboration with provider, payer, and research organizations. Several objectives within these strategic directions call for expanding the number of ACCP members serving as authors or panel members on clinical practice guidelines, consensus statements, NIH study sections, or similar projects, which will in turn influence the future of patient care. This will include identifying members with expertise in specific areas of practice, education, or research; forming a training program for those seeking to become involved in this work; and creating mechanisms to link ACCP members with these opportunities.

The plan’s objectives are designed to be accomplished over the next 2–3 years. To be successful, we will need the combined efforts of our membership, whether by holding office, participating in committees, or serving as speakers, presenters, mentors, and recruiters. The other board members and I look forward to working with you to transform the plan’s goals and objectives into tangible outcomes.

“Late-Breaking Research” Abstracts Accepted Through August 28

Authors of late-breaking original research papers with recent important results are invited to submit abstracts for consideration and inclusion in the special late-breaking research areas of the Scientific Poster Sessions at the ACCP Annual Meeting in Phoenix, October 7–10. All abstracts will be reviewed, and authors of a select number of submissions reporting new findings important to a clinical pharmacy audience will be invited to present a poster. Accepted abstracts will be published in *Pharmacotherapy* after the meeting.

Submit abstracts online [here](#).

ACCP Elects 2017 Fellows

Thirty ACCP members have been elected as Fellows of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy and will be recognized during a special ceremony on October 8 at the College’s 2017 Annual Meeting in Phoenix. 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 2017 ACCP Fellows are:

**Nicole M. Acquisto**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Rochester, NY

**Sarah L. Anderson**, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCACP; Aurora, CO

**Scott J. Bergman**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Elkhorn, NE

**Katie E. Cardone**, Pharm.D., BCACP; Albany, NY

**Jennifer N. Clements**, Pharm.D., BCPS, CDE; Clinton, SC

**James C. Coons**, Pharm.D., BCPS; Pittsburgh, PA

**Amy L. Dzierba**, Pharm.D., BCPS; New York, NY
Michael P. Gabay, Pharm.D., BCPS; Chicago, IL
Seena L. Haines, Pharm.D., BCACP; Jackson, MS
Leslie A. Hamilton, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCCCP; Knoxville, TN
Robert J. Kuhn, Pharm.D.; Lexington, KY
Jason W. Lancaster, Pharm.D., BCPS; Merrimack, NH
Joseph M. LaRochelle, Pharm.D., BCPPS; New Orleans, LA
Joyce Y. Lee, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCACP; New Orleans, LA
Kalen B. Manasco, Pharm.D., BCPS; Gainesville, FL
Michelle T. Martin, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCACP; Chicago, IL
Michael P. Moranville, Pharm.D., BCPS; Havertown, PA
Christopher A. Paciullo, Pharm.D., BCCCP; Brookhaven, GA
Sonak D. Pastakia, Pharm.D., MPH, BCPS; Eldoret, Kenya
Pamala A. Pawloski, Pharm.D.; Bloomington, MN
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Nicole Pinelli Reitter, Pharm.D.; Chapel Hill, NC
Maria C. Pruchnicki, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCACP; Columbus, OH
Erin C. Raney, Pharm.D., BCPS; Glendale, AZ
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Andrew J. Smith, Pharm.D., BCPS; Kansas City, MO
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Kayla R. Stover, Pharm.D., BCPS; Madison, MS
Emma M. Tillman, Pharm.D., BCNSP; Indianapolis, IN

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 services or patient-focused 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, ACCP Clinical Research Challenge, Pharmacotherapy Mock Exam, Research Institute, or Pharmacotherapy reviewer; contributing to College publications or being an item writer for the ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge, ACCP Clinical Research 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 2017 Credentials: Fellowship Committee, each of whom dedicated many hours to reviewing FCCP applications and other documents, were Kristi Kelley (chair), Dawn Havrda (vice chair), Jacqueline Bainbridge, Amie Brooks, David Burgess, Peggy Carver, Alexandre Chan, Juliana Chan, Jack Chen, Rhonda Cooper-DeHoff, Roland Dickerson, Paul Dobesh, Richard Drew, Karen Gunning, Daniel Healy, James Hoehns, Pramodini Kale-Pradhan, Samantha Karr, Kim Kelly, Ishaq Lat, Robert MacLaren, Karen McConnell, Julie Murphy, Thomas Nolin, Margaret Noyes-Essex, Jacqueline Olin, Kerry Pickworth, James Scott, Nicole Sinfonis, Katherine Smith, Kevin Sowinski, Kim Tallian, Joseph Vande Griend, Orly Vardeny, Sarah Westberg, and Nathan Wiederhold.

Report of the Nominations Committee

The 2017 Nominations Committee has recommended the following slate of candidates for the 2018 ACCP election. The election will occur in spring 2018, and successful candidates will assume office at the 2018 ACCP Global Conference on Clinical Pharmacy in Seattle, Washington.

President-Elect:
Brian Erstad, Pharm.D.; Tucson, AZ
Leigh Ann Ross, Pharm.D.; Jackson, MS

Regent:
Sarah McBane, Pharm.D.; Los Angeles, CA
M. Shawn McFarland, Pharm.D.; Murfreesboro, TN
Megan Musselman, Pharm.D.; Liberty, MO
Sharon See, Pharm.D.; Hoboken, NJ

Treasurer:
Miranda Andrus, Pharm.D.; Huntsville, AL
Kay Uttech, Pharm.D.; Algonquin, IL

Research Institute Trustee:
William Baker, Pharm.D.; Ashford, CT
Rhonda Cooper-DeHoff, Pharm.D.; Gainesville, FL
Erika Ernst, Pharm.D.; Iowa City, IA
Amy Pai, Pharm.D.; Ann Arbor, MI
At the ACCP Business and Town Hall Meeting, to be held Sunday, October 8, 2:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m., Pharmacotherapy’s editor-in-chief Lindsay DeVane will report on the state of the journal. ACCP will also cohost a joint PPI/RI Open House during the poster presentations on Monday, October 9, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 a.m. This session will allow attendees to meet with members of the PPI Board of Directors and Scientific Editorial Council and learn how to get more involved with Pharmacotherapy, ACCP’s official journal. Attendees will have the opportunity to interact and receive information in a small-group/roundtable format on the following topics:

- Developing manuscripts of interest
- Serving as a Pharmacotherapy reviewer
- Bringing questions to ask the editor
- Becoming a Pharmacotherapy Editorial Board member

On Tuesday, October 10, 10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m., PPI will host an encore presentation of the 2016 ACCP Annual Meeting program titled “Fundamentals of Providing Excellent Peer Reviews.” During this active learning session led by Pharmacotherapy scientific editor Stuart T. Haines, attendees will develop skills in constructing peer reviews, providing appropriate feedback to editors regarding acceptability, and determining when to decline an invitation to review.

In addition to the many programs highlighted above, the Pharmacotherapy Scientific Editors Council and the Pharmacotherapy Editorial Board will hold business meetings at the ACCP Annual Meeting. We encourage all Annual Meeting attendees to participate in these sessions to learn how to improve their scientific writing skills and get involved as a scientific author, reviewer, and scholar. More importantly, participants will learn why they should aspire to publish their scholarly works in Pharmacotherapy.

View the full 2017 ACCP Annual Meeting Schedule here.

**Washington Report: ACCP Board of Regents Hosts “Celebrating Partnerships for Patient Care” Reception**

**John McGlew**
Director of Government Affairs

On July 24–26, 2017, for the second consecutive year, the ACCP Board of Regents held its summer meeting in Washington, D.C. In addition to a typically full agenda, board members were delighted to host a reception for health policy leaders titled “Celebrating Partnerships for Patient Care.”
ACCP Members Appointed to BPS Emergency Medicine Pharmacy Practice Analysis Taskforce

A recent Board of Pharmacy Specialties (BPS) press release announced the approval of a practice analysis or role delineation study in emergency medicine pharmacy. Conducting a role delineation study is a critical step in evaluating a proposed specialty. A role delineation study determines whether the practice area is based on specialized knowledge of the pharmaceutical sciences as well as specialized functions routinely performed by practitioners in the proposed specialty.

Of the 15 positions on the taskforce to conduct this work, 10 have been filled by ACCP members. ACCP is proud to recognize these members for their contribution to the profession as they represent clinical pharmacy through this important role.

- Patrick J. Bridgeman Jr, Pharm.D., BCPS
- Katelyn R. Dervay, Pharm.D., MPH, BCPS
- Christopher J. Edwards, Pharm.D., BCPS
- Kristin H. Eginger, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCCCP
- A. Katie Hiles, Pharm.D., BCNSP
- Darrel W. Hughes, Pharm.D., BCPS
- Samantha P. Jellinek-Cohen, Pharm.D., BCPS
- Molly A. Mason, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCCCP
- Kyle A. Weant, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
- Suprat Saely Wilson, Pharm.D., BCPS

The initial work of the practice analysis taskforce will be reviewed by an outside panel of subject matter experts and validated by a survey administered to pharmacists practicing in the specialty area. If the role delineation study in this area yields information showing that emergency medicine pharmacy should be recognized as a specialty practice in pharmacy, BPS will issue a call to the profession for a petition for a new specialty recognition.

Click here to read the BPS press release in full.

2017–2018 On-Demand CV Review Service Now Available

A well-written curriculum vitae (CV) creates a positive image of you for future selection committees or employers and distinguishes you from the rest of the crowd. If questions arise while preparing your CV, or once you are finished, wouldn’t it be helpful to have a seasoned professional review it?

You can now submit your CV online as a PDF document for a volunteer ACCP member to review. The reviewer will provide his or her suggestions, and you will receive an e-mail containing feedback within 14 business days.
The CV Review Service is open year-round, so you can upload your CV for review anytime you like. Once your initial CV review is complete, you can choose to receive input from a second reviewer. When preparing your CV for review, be sure to take advantage of ACCP’s other web-based resources. Learn the basics of CV formatting, view example CVs, and access valuable CV pearls that provide practical insights into developing your CV.

For more information regarding the On-Demand CV Review Service or to submit your CV, click here. Questions? Please contact Matt Merrigan at mmerrigan@accp.com.

2018 National Student and Resident Committee Members Appointed

Earlier this year, ACCP issued a call for applications to student and trainee members interested in serving on the National Student Network Advisory Committee (SNAC) and the National Resident Advisory Committee (RAC). The College received applications from individuals across the entire country, and after careful review, ACCP president-elect Jill Kolesar selected student and trainee members for appointment. Both the SNAC and the RAC will convene at the 2017 ACCP Annual Meeting in Phoenix. ACCP is pleased to announce the appointment of the following members to the 2018 committees.

2018 National Student Network Advisory Committee
Chair: Anesia Reticker, University of Illinois at Chicago College of Pharmacy
Vice Chair: Peter Atkins, Oregon State University College of Pharmacy
Secretary: Amanda Van Matre, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
Members-at-Large:
- Morgan Casal, University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy
- Daniela Fernandez, Nova Southeastern University College of Pharmacy
- Shannon Lyons, University of Florida College of Pharmacy
- Earl Morris, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Pharmacy
- Leah Solodky-Terez, Temple University School of Pharmacy
- Matthew Sugidono, University of California, San Francisco School of Pharmacy
- April Thompkins, South Carolina College of Pharmacy
- Michelle Tran, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy
- Lauren Wilde, South Dakota State University College of Pharmacy

2018 National Resident Advisory Committee
Chair: Brandon Martinez
Vice Chair: Allison Boyd
Members-at-Large:
- Lillian Bellfi, Pharm.D., University of Chicago Medicine
- Shubha Bhat, Pharm.D., BCACP, University of Colorado Denver Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Ian Hatlee, Pharm.D., University of Colorado Denver Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Maya Holsen, Pharm.D., Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center
- Cora Housley, Pharm.D., University of Colorado Denver Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Mika Jankowski, Pharm.D., University of Colorado Hospital
- Jordan Kelley, Pharm.D., UK HealthCare
- Brian Kurish, Pharm.D., University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers
- Marina Maes, Pharm.D., University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers
- Taylor Morrisette, Pharm.D., Methodist Healthcare
- Paria Sanaty Zadeh, Pharm.D., Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak
- Thomas Szymanski, Pharm.D., Memorial Hermann – Texas Medical Center

2018 Committee and Task Force Progress Report

ACCP thanks its many members who expressed interest in devoting time to committees, task forces, and other volunteer activities during the upcoming year. Members were asked to indicate their specific ACCP activities of interest by responding to ACCP’s annual survey for volunteers, conducted June 19 – July 10. President-elect Jill Kolesar is expected to complete the initial committee roster assignments soon, and the first round of committee/task force e-mail invitations will be sent to members by August 21. Because some members may be unable to serve, additional invitations are expected to be distributed until early September. ACCP will provide a final update on 2018 committees and task forces in next month’s ACCP Report.
Member Recruiters

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

- Katelin Anderson
- Megan Bauer
- Christopher Bland
- Nicole Bloomer
- Patrick Chan
- Benjamin Chavez
- Melissa Danek
- Robert DiDomenico
- Nakia Duncan
- Emily Durr
- Mallory Fiorenza
- Elizabeth Giunta
- Angela Hatter
- Katie Langley
- Monica Mahoney
- Mark Malesker
- Scott Mambourg
- Dianne May
- Christine O’Neil
- Christopher Paciuollo
- Wesley Pitts
- Matthew Reale
- Kate Reichert
- Tamara Reiter
- TrisAnn Rendulic
- David Ritchie
- Taylor Roberson
- Sarah Robert
- Robert Sbertoli
- Laura Shane-McWhorter
- Harminder Sikand
- Abby Singleton
- Katherine Vogel Anderson
- Mai Vuong
- Jenna Swindler
- Kyle Thorner
- Ashley Turk
- Kristina Thurber
- Erin Wilson
- Jim Winegardner
- Ashely Wright
- Nancy Yunker

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