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President's PRN Report

As we prepare to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP), I have been reflecting on many aspects of ACCP's growth and innovations. The practice and research networks (PRNs) have largely been a tremendous success story for the organization and its members during the years of their existence. The vision of those who conceived of the PRNs has clearly been borne out over

time. Opportunities to network about practice and research issues during the year through e-mail lists and face to face at the major ACCP meetings, and the creation of high-level programming targeted to member needs, continue to create synergies for individual clinical pharmacists as well as the entire organization. In addition, participation in PRN committees and leadership can provide a conduit to service and leadership roles at other levels of the organization for those who are interested. Based on the results of the governance survey conducted earlier this year, it is not clear to all members that this pathway exists, so we will do more to enhance members' understanding of this and other ways to serve the organization in the future.

An issue of continuing importance to ACCP, strongly related to the PRNs, is the increase in recognition by the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties (BPS) of a much larger number of the specialties practiced by our members. Since the publication earlier this year of our paper titled "Proposed Revision to the Existing Specialty and Specialist Certification Framework for Pharmacy Practitioners," we have continued to discuss with BPS the issues related to examining new specialization frameworks. Although progress is not as fast as we might wish, we remain dedicated to working with BPS and other organizations committed to the recognition of pharmacy specialties to make new BPS specialization frameworks possible.

As I approach the end of my tenure as president of ACCP, I particularly want to thank the many PRN members who assist ACCP with student programs and initiatives by serving as Faculty Liaisons and reviewers for the online CV service and by supporting the Student Travel Awards Program. Our tremendous increase in student membership

and students' interest in ACCP are attributable, in large part, to these efforts. I also will be celebrating a 30th anniversary this year – of my role as a member of the clinical faculty ranks. The excitement and vitality that students bring to my daily existence and to the profession always inspire me to do better, so I sincerely appreciate the efforts of ACCP members on the behalf of students.

I also wish to thank all of you who actively support the Research Institute both personally and through the PRN. I hope many of you will join the new PBRN so that we can make it a rousing success on behalf of our profession, members, and patients.

It has been a great 30 years for ACCP and a wonderful year for me, serving as ACCP's president. I am humbled to have had this opportunity, and I have enjoyed every minute of it. As the time approaches for me to hand over the reins to Dr. Tisdale, I want you all to know that we have a fabulous staff that deserves many thanks from me. They are all dedicated to this organization beyond measure. Although it is easy to take them for granted as we go about our busy lives, they do so much for the organization, and we all owe them our thanks for helping ACCP become what it is today.

PRN History Project

In 2007, in anticipation of ACCP's 30th anniversary celebration, ACCP Past President Gary Matzke issued a call to all PRNs to record their organizational history. At this milestone in ACCP's history, it is important to document the key roles played by the PRNs in the success of the College and the contributions each has made to the clinical pharmacy profession.

During the past 2 years, each PRN has worked diligently to develop a paper and poster presentation highlighting the history, growth, and unique accomplishments of its members. The PRN history papers are posted on the ACCP Web site at <http://www.accp.com/prns/history.aspx>. Posters will be presented as part of the College's 30th anniversary celebration during the 2009 ACCP Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California, later this month. A listing of PRN poster presentations follows.



PRN History Project Poster Presentations

Monday, October 19, 2009

11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

Convention Center Hall A

365. 17 years of promoting ambulatory care: the history of the Ambulatory Care PRN.

Sunny A. Linnebur, Pharm.D.,¹ Eric J. MacLaughlin, Pharm.D.,² Timothy J. Ives, Pharm.D., MPH,³ Terry Seaton, Pharm.D.,⁴ (1) University of Colorado Denver School of Pharmacy, Aurora, CO; (2) Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy, Amarillo, TX; (3) University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC; (4) St. Louis College of Pharmacy, St. Louis, MO

366. The history and growth of the Endocrine and Metabolism PRN.

Marissa E. Quinones, Pharm.D.,¹ Patricia R. Wigle, Pharm.D., BCPS,² Rosalyn S. Padiyara, Pharm.D., CDE,³ Dawn E. Havrda, Pharm.D., BCPS,⁴ Natasha Harrigan, Pharm.D.,⁵ Molly E. Graham, Pharm.D.,⁶ (1) Parkland, Dallas, TX; (2) University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH; (3) Midwestern University – Chicago College of Pharmacy, Downers Grove, IL; (4) Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy, Shenandoah University, Winchester, VA; (5) Hampton University School of Pharmacy, Hampton, VA; (6) Texas Tech Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy, Abilene Campus, Abilene, TX

367. Pharmaceutical Industry PRN: a history of its accomplishments.

Clara K. Song, Pharm.D.,¹ Andrea J. Anderson, Pharm.D.,² Julie O. Maurey, Pharm.D., BCPS, FCCP,³ Leigh M. Vaughan, Pharm.D., MBA, RAC,⁴ Vandana Slatter, Pharm.D., MPA,⁵ (1) ISTA Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Irvine, CA; (2) Genentech, Inc., South San Francisco, CA; (3) Pfizer, Inc., Mentor, OH; (4) Talecris Biotherapeutics, Inc., Research Triangle Park, NC; (5) Roche Laboratories, Nutley, NJ

368. Critical Care Practice and Research Network: an evaluation of historical significance.

Tyree H. Kiser, Pharm.D., BCPS,¹ Erica L. Horinek, Pharm.D.,² Sarah Fichuk, Pharm.D.,³ Lance J. Oyen, Pharm.D., BCPS, FCCM,⁴ (1) University of Colorado School of Pharmacy, Aurora, CO; (2) Sky Ridge Medical Center, Lonetree, CO; (3) Detroit Medical Center, Detroit, MI; (4) Hospital Pharmacy Services, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

369. Central Nervous System (PRN) history.

Kimberly Tallian, Pharm.D., BCPP,¹ Lawrence J. Cohen, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPP,² (1) University of California, San Diego Medical Center, San Diego, CA; (2) Washington State University – Spokane, Spokane, WA

370. History of the Education and Training Practice and Research Network.

Nancy L. Shapiro, Pharm.D., BCPS,¹ Anna Wodlinger Jackson, Pharm.D., BCPS,² Tina Denetclaw, Pharm.D., BCPS,³ Patricia Orlando, Pharm.D., FCCP,⁴ (1) University of Illinois at Chicago College of Pharmacy, Chicago, IL; (2) Temple University School of Pharmacy, Philadelphia, PA; (3) University of California–San Francisco, San Francisco, CA; (4) University of Utah College of Pharmacy, Salt Lake City, UT

371. The history of the Immunology/Transplant PRN. Immunology Transplantation PRN members,¹ *Tiffany E. Kaiser, Pharm.D.*,² (1) American College of Clinical Pharmacy, Lenexa, KS; (2) University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH

372. History of the ACCP GI/Liver/Nutrition PRN.

David R. Foster, Pharm.D.,¹ Maria Ballod, Pharm.D.,² Michael D. Kraft, Pharm.D.,³ (1) Purdue University, Department of Pharmacy Practice, Indianapolis, IN; (2) Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, FL; (3) University of Michigan Health System, Ann Arbor, MI

373. Pediatrics Practice and Research Network history.

Katherine P. Smith, Pharm.D., BCPS; University of Southern Nevada College of Pharmacy – South Jordan Campus, South Jordan, UT

374. A brief history. A long future. The Emergency Medicine Practice Research Network.

Michael C. Thomas, Pharm.D.,¹ Nicole M. Acquisto, Pharm.D.,² Kyle A. Weant, Pharm.D.,³ Mary Beth Shirk, Pharm.D.,⁴ Victor Cohen, Pharm.D.,⁵ Pamela Lada Walker, Pharm.D.,⁶ Asad E. Patanwala, Pharm.D.,⁷ (1) South University, Savannah, GA; (2) University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, NY; (3) University of Kentucky HealthCare, Lexington, KY; (4) The Ohio State University Medical Center, Columbus, OH; (5) Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY; (6) University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI; (7) University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

375. History of the Nephrology PRN.

Ruth Ann Subach, Pharm.D., BCPS; Chair, Nephrology PRN (2008–2009), West Conshohocken, PA

376. Clinical Administration PRN history.

Bob Lobo, Pharm.D.,¹ Andrea Balog, Pharm.D.,² Herbert Mathews III, Pharm.D.,³ Emilie Karpiuk, Pharm.D., BCOP,⁴ Suzanne B. Wortman, Pharm.D., BCPS,⁵ John Noviasky, Pharm.D.,⁶ (1) Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN; (2) Loma Linda University Medical Center and School of Pharmacy, Loma Linda, CA; (3) Carroll Hospital Center, Westminster, MD; (4) Froedtert Hospital, Milwaukee, WI; (5) DuBois Regional Medical Center, DuBois, PA; (6) SUNY Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY

377. Hematology/Oncology Practice and Research Network: fifteen years of growth.

Karen R. Smethers, Pharm.D., BCOP,¹ Stacy S. Shord, Pharm.D., BCOP,² Jodi L. Grabinski, Pharm.D., M.S., BCOP,³ (1) Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA; (2) FDA, Silver Spring, MD; (3) South Texas Accelerated Research Therapeutics, San Antonio, TX

378. ACCP Geriatrics PRN history poster.

Jeannie K. Lee, Pharm.D., BCPS,¹ *Heather Bieber, Pharm.D., CGP, BCPS*,² Carlos Rojas-Fernandez, Pharm.D., BCPP,³ (1) University of Arizona, College of Pharmacy Practice and Science, Tucson, AZ; (2) North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System (NF/SG VHS), Lake City, FL; (3) Bristol-Myers Squibb, Gaithersburg, MD

379. History of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy's Infectious Diseases Practice and Research Network (ID-PRN).

Elizabeth B. Hirsch, Pharm.D.,¹ Melinda M. Neuhauser, Pharm.D., MPH,² Elizabeth Dodds Ashley, Pharm.D., MHS, BCPS,³ Jason C. Gallagher, Pharm.D., BCPS,⁴ Elizabeth D. Hermsen, Pharm.D., MBA, BCPS (AQ-ID),⁵ Daryl D. DePestel, Pharm.D., BCPS (AQ-ID),⁶ Erika J. Ernst, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS (AQ-ID)⁷; (1) St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, Houston, TX; (2) U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Chicago, IL; (3) University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, NY; (4) Temple University School of Pharmacy, Philadelphia, PA; (5) The Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, NE; (6) University of Michigan Health System, Ann Arbor, MI; (7) College of Pharmacy, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

380. American College of Clinical Pharmacy, Women's Health Practice and Research Network: a history. *Shareen Y. El-Ibiary, Pharm.D., BCPS*,¹ "Annie" Kai I. Cheang, Pharm.D., M.Sc., BCPS,² Alicia B. Forinash, Pharm.D., BCPS, CCD,³ Patricia R. Wigle, Pharm.D., BCPS,⁴ Jennifer McIntosh, Pharm.D.,⁵ David L. Lourwood, Pharm.D., BCPS, FCCP⁶; (1) Midwestern University, College of Pharmacy–Glendale, Glendale, AZ; (2) VCU Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, VA; (3) St. Louis College of Pharmacy, St. Louis, MO; (4) University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH; (5) Northeastern University–Bouve College of Health Sciences, Boston, MA; (6) Poplar Bluff Regional Med Center, Poplar Bluff, MO

381. The history of the Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics (PK/PD) PRN.

Philip E. Empey, Pharm.D., Ph.D., BCPS,¹ Brian R. Overholser, Pharm.D.,² Daniel A. Lewis, Pharm.D., BCPS,³ Julie H. Oestreich, Pharm.D., Ph.D.⁴; (1) School of Pharmacy, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA; (2) School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Purdue University and School of Medicine, Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN; (3) University of Kentucky HealthCare, Lexington, KY; (4) University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

382. Getting to the heart of the cardiology practice and research network: a historical evaluation and reflection. *Toby Trujillo, Pharm.D., BCPS*,¹ *Robert Lee Page II, Pharm.D., MSPH, FCCP, FAHA, BCPS*,¹ Orly Vardeny, Pharm.D., BCPS,² Barbara Wiggins, Pharm.D., FAHA, FNLA, BCPS, CLS³; (1) University of Colorado Denver School of Pharmacy, Aurora, CO; (2) Pharmacy Practice Division, University of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy, Madison, WI; (3) University of Virginia Health System, Charlottesville, VA

383. What's HOT in ACCP? A history of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy's Health Outcomes Practice and Research Network.

Brenda M. Parker, Pharm.D., BCPS,¹ Doug Steinke, Ph.D.,² Joseph A. Paladino, Pharm.D.,³ Glen T. Schumock, Pharm.D., MBA,⁴ Kathy Bungay, Pharm.D.,⁵ Marianne McCollum, Ph.D., RPh,⁶ Daniel R. Touchette, Pharm.D., M.A.⁷; (1) Humana Inc., Louisville, KY; (2) University of Kentucky HealthCare, Lexington, KY; (3) CPL Associates LLC, Buffalo, NY; (4) Center for Pharmacoeconomic Research, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL; (5) Tufts-New England Medical Center, Boston, MA; (6) University of Colorado School of Pharmacy, Denver, CO; (7) University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

384. History of the Adult Medicine Practice and Research Network.

Darcie L. Keller, Pharm.D., BCPS,¹ *Joel C. Marrs, Pharm.D., BCPS*,² Beth H. Resman-Targoff, Pharm.D., FCCP,³ Suzanne B. Wortman, Pharm.D., BCPS⁴; (1) Kansas City Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Kansas City, MO; (2) Oregon State University College of Pharmacy, Portland, OR; (3) University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy, Oklahoma City, OK; (4) DuBois Regional Medical Center, DuBois, PA

385. History of the Pain and Palliative Care Practice and Research Network.

Lee A. Kral, Pharm.D.,¹ David Craig, Pharm.D.²; (1) Pain and Palliative Care PRN, Iowa City, IA; (2) H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, FL

PRNs Hold Elections



Last month, members voted for their choice of future leaders of their respective practice and research networks (PRNs). Please join the PRNs in recognizing both newly elected members and those continuing to serve their respective PRNs in the coming year.

Adult Medicine: Joel C. Marrs, Chair; Lindsay Arnold, Chair-Elect; Rolee Pathak, Secretary/Treasurer

Ambulatory Care: Nicole S. Culhane, Chair; Mitzi Wasik, Chair-Elect; Sarah Westberg, Secretary; Edith Nutescu, Treasurer

Cardiology: Barbara S. Wiggins, Chair; Sheryl Chow, Chair-Elect; Samuel Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer

Central Nervous System: Kelly C. Lee, Chair; Michele Splinter, Chair-Elect

Clinical Administration: Emilie Karpiuk, Chair; Herbert Mathews, Chair-Elect; Suzanne Wortman, Secretary/Treasurer

Critical Care: Steve Pass, Chair; Ty Kiser, Chair-Elect; Tony Gerlach, Secretary/Treasurer

Drug Information: Kristina E. Ward, Chair; Cathy Turner, Chair-Elect; Jacob Gettig, Secretary/Treasurer

Education and Training: Tina Denetclaw, Chair; Sandra Benavides, Chair-Elect; Tyan Thomas, Secretary/Treasurer

Emergency Medicine: Victor Cohen, Chair; Pamela (Lada) Walker, Chair-Elect; Nicole M. Acquisto, Secretary/Treasurer

Endocrine and Metabolism: Krystal Edwards, Chair; Dawn Havrda, Chair-Elect; Marissa Quinones, Secretary/Treasurer

Geriatrics: Mark Ruscini, Chair; Joe Vande Griend, Chair-Elect; Olga Hilas, Secretary/Treasurer

GI/Liver/Nutrition: Maria Ballod, Chair; Brian Hemstreet, Chair-Elect; Karrie Derenski, Secretary/Treasurer

Health Outcomes: Brenda Marie Parker, Chair; Ron Wade, Chair-Elect; Fred Doloresco, Secretary/Treasurer

Hematology/Oncology: Stacey S. Shord, Chair; Deborah Hass, Chair-Elect; LeAnn Norris, Secretary/Treasurer

Immunology/Transplantation: Tiffany E. Kaiser, Chair; Kimi R. Ueda, Chair-Elect; Sabrina Lee, Secretary/Treasurer

Infectious Diseases: Elizabeth S. Dodds Ashley, Chair; Vanthida Huang, Chair-Elect; Jennifer Le, Secretary/Treasurer

Nephrology: Sarah Tomasello, Chair; Thomas D. Nolin, Chair-Elect

Pediatrics: Allison Chung, Chair; Katherine Smith, Chair-Elect; Claudia Kamper, Secretary/Treasurer

Pharmaceutical Industry: Julie Oki Maurey, Chair; Shane D. Scott, Chair-Elect; Ruth Ann Subach, Secretary/Treasurer

Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics: Daniel Lewis, Chair; Julie Oestreich, Chair-Elect; Michael A. Pacanowski, Secretary/Treasurer

Women's Health: Kai I. Cheang, Chair; Alicia B. Forinash, Chair-Elect; Katie McClendon, Secretary/Treasurer; Sally Rafie, Public Policy Liaison

PRNs Hold Educational Focus Sessions at Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California

ACCP's PRNs consistently develop high-quality educational sessions for each ACCP national meeting. That tradition of excellence continues this fall in Anaheim, California. A complete listing of PRN focus sessions follows.

Monday, October 19, 2009

1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

Hot Topics in the Cognitively Impaired Patient

- Developed by the Central Nervous System and Pain and Palliative Care PRNs
- Convention Center Ballroom A

Selected Therapeutic Issues Facing the Emergency Department Pharmacist

- Developed by the Emergency Medicine PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom B

How to Use New Methodologies and Health Outcomes Research in Your Practice

- Developed by the Health Outcomes PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom C
- Credit given toward ACCP Academy Research and Scholarship Development Certificate Program; for more information, visit the Web site at <http://www.accp.com/academy/>

Guiding Antimicrobial Therapy in 2009

- Developed by the Infectious Diseases PRN

- Convention Center Ballroom D

Therapeutic Hypothermia: Clinical Applications and Pharmacokinetic/Pharmacodynamic Implications

- Developed by the Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom E

3:45 p.m.–5:45 p.m.

Motivational Interviewing: A Therapy for Behavioral Change

- Developed by the Ambulatory Care PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom A

Clinical Practitioner Collaborations with the Industry

- Developed by the Pharmaceutical Care PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom B

Moving Beyond the Guidelines: Evaluating Present and Future Management Strategies for the Patient with Heart Failure

- Developed by the Cardiology PRN and the Heart Failure Society of America
- Convention Center Ballroom C

Breast Cancer Treatment in the Molecular Era

- Developed by the Hematology/Oncology PRN (Supported in part by independent educational grants from Genetech BioOncology and sanofi-aventis U.S.)
- Convention Center Ballroom D

Ensuring Safe and Effective Use of Dietary Supplements

- Developed by the Drug Information PRN
- Convention Center 303 B

Tuesday, October 20, 2009

1:15 p.m.–3:15 p.m.

Focus on Special Populations in Endocrine and Metabolism

- Developed by the Endocrine and Metabolism PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom B

Pharmacotherapy and Functional Status in Older Adults

- Developed by the Geriatrics PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom C

Therapeutic Controversy in Nutrition Support: Use of Premixed Parenteral Nutrition Formulas

- Developed by the GI/Liver/Nutrition PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom D

Updates in Women's Health Across the Lifespan

- Developed by the Women's Health PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom E

1:15 p.m.–5:15 p.m.

Development and Implementation of Preceptor Development Programs

- Developed by the Clinical Administration and Education and Training PRNs
- Convention Center Ballroom A

3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

The Great Adult Medicine Debates of 2009

- Developed by the Adult Medicine PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom B

Controversies in the Management of Sepsis: A Practical Approach

- Developed by the Critical Care PRN
- Convention Center Ballroom C

Clinical Pearls for Bridging the Gap Between Inpatient and Outpatient Care for Patients with Chronic Kidney Disease – The Roles of the Pharmacist

- Developed by the Nephrology PRN
(Supported by an educational donation provided by Amgen)
- Convention Center Ballroom D

Innovative Practices for Pharmacists in Solid Organ Transplant and Immunology

- Developed by the Immunology and Transplantation PRN
- Convention Center 303 A

PRN Business and Networking Forums at the 2009 Annual Meeting



ACCP's practice and research networks (PRNs) provide a focal point for clinical pharmacists with common interests and needs in practice, research, and education. PRN members help ACCP develop educational programs and promote the activities of the PRNs. All meeting attendees are encouraged to attend a PRN meeting.

Monday, October 19, 2009
6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.
Hilton Anaheim Hotel

Ambulatory Care – Laguna

This PRN will disseminate information about past and future activities of each PRN committee, current activities of ACCP related specifically to the PRN, and future PRN activities. The business component will have a presentation highlighting innovative practice in ambulatory care; the networking component will encourage interaction among members through entertainment.

Central Nervous System – Capistrano

Please join the CNS PRN for a business meeting and networking session with your colleagues. Light snacks and drinks will be served.

Critical Care – San Simeon

Join the PRN networking forum and liaise with colleagues while you enjoy hors d'oeuvres. Presentations will include a summary of PRN activities, reports from PRN officers, and the Resident/Fellow Research Travel Award.

Education and Training – El Capitan

After the business meeting, a brief discussion on interviewing skills will take place. Clinical faculty and practitioners from around the nation will then conduct practice interviews for students preparing to apply for jobs or residencies and for residents and fellows preparing to apply for their first career positions. All educators, students, and postgraduate trainees are invited to attend.

Health Outcomes – San Clemente

Please join the Health Outcomes PRN as they prepare for the ACCP Spring Meeting and as they discuss further participation and cooperation with the Scholarship and Research Academy. Food and beverages will be provided.

Hematology/Oncology – Avila

The Hematology/Oncology PRN will conduct a business meeting, followed by a presentation by Jill Kolesar, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, recipient of the 2009 Hematology/Oncology Mini-Sabbatical Grant. Dr. Kolesar will speak on population-based pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic modeling.

Immunology/Transplantation – Palos Verdes

Current and prospective members are welcome to join the networking and business meeting. The business meeting will consist of installing new officers, discussing present and future PRN initiatives, and honoring the recipient of the PRN's Resident/Fellow Travel Award. The meeting will conclude with a debate by transplant specialty residents/fellows on a current issue in transplantation.

Infectious Diseases – Huntington

The Infectious Diseases PRN business meeting and networking forum will consist of brief presentations of PRN initiatives including support of research projects, student travel awards, and the PRN history project. After the business meeting, there will be a brief panel discussion of updates on treating gram-positive infections and the impact of resistance. There will also be an opportunity for networking and socializing.

Nephrology – Carmel

Please join the Nephrology PRN in celebrating its past, present, and future! The meeting will primarily be a social networking event, focused on acknowledging the contributions of Nephrology PRN members through the years. Members who wish to speak about the role the PRN has played in their professional careers will be encouraged to do so. Time will be set aside for a short, perfunctory business session. Hot and cold appetizers, wine, beer, and soft drinks will be served.

Pharmaceutical Industry – Palisades

Members and interested meeting attendees are welcome to attend the business meeting and networking forum. Past and future PRN activities will be discussed, including 2009–2010 strategic planning, working group updates, and focus session highlights. Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be provided.

Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics – Oceanside

Join the Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics PRN to discuss current issues in pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. The recipient of the M. Kelli Jordan Travel Award will provide a presentation on his/her research. This meeting will include presentations by

pharmacokinetics/pharmacodynamics residents and fellows as well as a discussion of research posters presented at the meeting. There will also be a discussion of potential topics for PRN symposia at upcoming ACCP meetings.

Tuesday, October 20, 2009

6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

Hilton Anaheim Hotel

Adult Medicine – El Capitan

During this networking and business meeting, current and prospective members will meet and discuss their practice interests. There will be socialization (with a networking activity), followed by the PRN business meeting.

Cardiology – Huntington

Join the Cardiology PRN business meeting, which will be followed by presentations by Drs. David Harper and James Tisdale. Dr. Harper will discuss the “Management of Atrial Fibrillation,” and Dr. Tisdale will discuss “Drug-Induced Arrhythmias.” An informal reception will follow, allowing networking among new and old members, members collaborating on PRN-related projects, and trainees seeking job opportunities.

Clinical Administration – Capistrano

Anyone interested in issues related to clinical leadership and practice management is cordially invited to join this PRN’s business meeting and networking forum. There will be ample time to network and discuss issues related to practice and clinical administration. Refreshments will be provided.

Drug Information – Palos Verdes

The business meeting of the Drug Information PRN will be an opportunity to meet with officers and other members to discuss present and future activities of the PRN. A resident presentation will also be given.

Endocrine and Metabolism – Palisades

The Endocrine and Metabolism PRN will be holding a networking forum to elicit both membership and scholarship. A presentation and discussion of PRN business will occur at this networking forum.

Emergency Medicine – San Simeon

The business and networking forum will include welcoming statements from the outgoing chair, introductions of the new PRN officers, discussion of the status of the PRN, a status report from the committees, a discussion regarding future directions for the PRN, and a time for networking. Hors d’oeuvres and beverages will be provided.

Geriatrics – Avila

Please join the Geriatrics PRN for the business meeting, followed by a networking session and a discussion with PRN members and their ongoing research projects.

GI/Liver/Nutrition – San Clemente

Interested attendees are invited to attend the PRN business meeting and networking forum. Highlights will include an open networking forum and an invited presentation from a PRN member. Non-PRN members are welcome. Food and beverages will be provided.

Pain and Palliative Care – Oceanside

Food, friends, and furthering our missions. The Pain and Palliative Care PRN is pleased to invite presentations by Dr. Julie Waldfogel on “Ketamine as an Adjuvant Analgesic,” including a protocol being developed at Johns Hopkins, and Dr. Tanya Tellagadis on a topic to be announced. The PRN welcomes these two young practitioners to share their projects and talents. In addition to the officers’ reports, the group intends to review the PRN’s activities of the past year, discuss funding of the ACCP PBRN, highlight clinical topics the PRN should address, and plan the PRN’s goals for 2009–2010.

Pediatrics – Carmel

Come join the Pediatrics PRN for networking, a brief business meeting, and “Pediatric Jeopardy.” The Pediatrics PRN members look forward to seeing you.

Women’s Health – Laguna

The Women’s Health PRN will hold a networking forum for current and prospective members. The business meeting will include an update of PRN activities and initiatives, as well as an opportunity to become involved in the PRN and meet others with interests and practices in Women’s Health. In addition, there will be a special presentation, “New and Emerging Opportunities for Pharmacists in Women’s Health,” facilitated by Sharon Landau, Director of Pharmacy Access Partnership, a center of the nonprofit Pacific Institute for Women’s Health. The program will feature new and emerging programs, policy and training opportunities for pharmacists to increase access to women’s health, and reproductive health clinical services. Efforts and strategies to expand the educational opportunities and curriculum at schools of pharmacy nationally, to cultivate pharmacy leaders around reproductive health, and to increase low-income women’s access to family planning services will be discussed.

PRN News Breifs

Adult Medicine PRN

The Adult Medicine PRN has more than 780 members and represents a diverse group of clinical pharmacists dedicated to advancing clinical practice, teaching, and research. The Research Grant/Mini-Sabbatical Feasibility Committee, which has been evaluating options for future funding opportunities through the PRN, will report on its assessment at the Annual Meeting. In addition, the PRN will be developing PRN Service Awards to recognize the outstanding work of its members. The Nominations Committee will present awards criteria at the PRN business meeting; it is also expected to solicit nominations for the PRN awards before the 2010 ACCP Spring Meeting.

The Adult Medicine PRN has developed a focus session titled “The Great Adult Medicine Debates 2009” for the Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California. In addition, the PRN has developed a focus session titled “Reviewing the Evidence for Antithrombotic Controversies in Medicine” for the 2010 Spring Practice and Research Forum in Charlotte, North Carolina.



The Awards Committee is soliciting applicants for the New Investigator Development Award. This \$1000 award will provide an opportunity for a new investigator to present and promote his/her research to the ACCP Adult Medicine PRN. In addition, the PRN was able to support the financial costs for Effie L. Kuti, Pharm.D., to attend the ACCP Focused Investigator Training (FIT) Program in 2009.

The ACCP Academy will be graduating the first class at the Annual Meeting in Anaheim. The following Adult Medicine PRN members are graduating (specific program):

Jennifer L. Donovan, Pharm.D.
(Teaching and Learning)

Jennifer S. Hardesty, Pharm.D.
(Teaching and Learning)

Joel C. Marrs, Pharm.D., BCPS, CLS
(Teaching and Learning)

Julie A. Murphy, Pharm.D., BCPS
(Teaching and Learning)

Rolee Pathak, Pharm.D., BCPS
(Teaching and Learning)

Zachary A. Stacy, Pharm.D., BCPS
(Teaching and Learning)

Suzanne B. Wortman, Pharm.D., B.S., BCPS
(Leadership and Management)

Nancy Yunker, Pharm.D., BCPS
(Teaching and Learning)

Some notable member accomplishments are as follows:

Darcie L. Keller, Pharm.D., BCPS, Joel C. Marrs, Pharm.D., BCPS, Beth Resman-Targoff, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, and Suzanne B. Wortman, Pharm.D., B.S., BCPS. "History of the Adult Medicine Practice and Research Network." 2009 ACCP Annual Meeting, Anaheim, California. Abstract #384. In addition, the Adult Medicine PRN history paper has been submitted to ACCP.

Inna Shalito Tsuker, Pharm.D., BCPS, had the following publications:

Shalito I, Kopyleva O, Serebruany V. Novel antiplatelet agents in development: prasugrel, ticagrelor, and cangrelor and beyond. *Am J Ther* 2009 May 19 [Epub ahead of print].
Serebruany V, **Shalito I**, Kopyleva O. Prasugrel development – claims and achievements. *Thromb Haemost* 2009;101:14–22.

Beth Resman-Targoff, Pharm.D., FCCP, had the following publication:

Rowley AK, **Resman-Targoff BH**, Marra CA, Pucino F. Evolution of clinical pharmacy in the practice of rheumatology. In: *Evolution of Clinical Pharmacy: 40 Years of Progress*. Cincinnati, OH: Harvey Whitney Books, 2009:343–52. She was also a reviewer for the chapter on "Rheumatoid Arthritis" in the *Pharmacotherapy Self-Assessment Program*, 6th ed. She participated as a speaker for the paper titled "New Recommendations for Disease-Modifying Antirheumatic Drugs and Emerging Options for the Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis," which is now available for online CE for pharmacists at <http://ashpmedia.org/symposia/DMARDs>.

Olga Hilas, Pharm.D., MPH, FASCP, BCPS, CGP, received her master's of public health (MPH) degree in urban health in December 2008 (SUNY Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York).

She has become a Fellow of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (FASCP). She gave a presentation on "Student Involvement in Scholarly Activities During Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiences" at the 2009 AACP Annual Meetings and Seminars in Boston, Massachusetts.

She had the following publications in 2009:

Ezzo DC, **Hilas O**. Polymyalgia rheumatica. *US Pharm* 2009;38:HS7–HS11.

Walsh CM, **Hilas O**. Recognizing Charles Bonnet syndrome in the elderly. *Consult Pharm* 2009;24:291–3.

Hilas O, Ezzo DC. Nebivolol (Bystolic®), a novel beta blocker for hypertension. *Pharm Ther J* 2009;34:1–6.

Walsh CM, **Hilas O**, Ezzo DC. Metabolic syndrome and cardiovascular risk factors. *US Pharm* 2009;34:HS12–HS15.

Sarah L. Anderson, Pharm.D., has accepted a position as an assistant professor in the Department of Clinical Pharmacy at the University of Colorado Denver School of Pharmacy.

The Adult Medicine PRN would also like to acknowledge Anne Spencer, Pharm.D., BCPS, for being named ACCP Fellow 2009 and Stephanie J. Seyse, Pharm.D., B.S., BCPS, for being named American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Fellow 2009.

Ambulatory Care PRN

The Ambulatory Care PRN remains one of the largest PRNs; its members are very involved in the profession, ACCP at-large, and various PRN committees.

In consultation with Ed Webb and John McGlew of the ACCP Government Affairs office, the **Advocacy Committee** has developed a survey to determine the impact on ambulatory care practice of reimbursement for services under Part B versus Part D. This survey, which is being finalized, will soon be distributed to PRN members. The results of the survey will be provided to PRN members at the Annual Meeting in October and to ACCP Government Affairs for guidance on policy decisions. In addition, the committee will meet in September to develop a "tool kit" for PRN members to provide guidance on the various institutional processes necessary to host an elected official or staff member for an on-site visit.

The **Budget and Finance Committee** reports that the PRN remains in good fiscal standing. The committee has plans under way to match last year's donation to the Frontiers Fund. To increase PRN membership, the committee has implemented an incentive program for residents to join the PRN at no cost. In addition, the committee will support the PRN Pilot Grant Program again this year in the amount of \$2000.

The **Communication Committee** is working on the PRN fall newsletter as well as the PRN poster for the 2009 Annual

Meeting, which will feature results from the survey on BPS recognition of an ambulatory care specialty. In addition, the committee is finalizing work on developing policies and procedures for updating and promoting the sale of the survival guide and developing novel ideas for communication within the PRN and among PRNs. Finally, the committee continues to provide routine monitoring of the PRN e-mail list.

The **Education Committee** recently completed the programming for the spring 2010 focus session for the Spring Practice and Research Forum in Charlotte, North Carolina. A collaboration between the Ambulatory Care PRN and the Nephrology PRN, it is titled “What’s New with Vitamin D?” The speakers have not yet been determined.

The **Networking Committee** is developing opportunities for PRN members to meet and interact at the Annual Meeting after the successful events at the ACCP/ESCP International Congress on Clinical Pharmacy. The committee has recruited a speaker for the networking forum to highlight innovative practice models, recognize PRN achievements, and update members about ACCP issues that affect the PRN at-large.

The **Nominations Committee** is pleased to report that seven members of the Ambulatory Care PRN have been elected Fellows of ACCP and will be recognized at the College’s 2009 Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California. They include Miranda Andrus, “Annie” Kai Cheang, Renee DeHart, Dawn Havrda, Sunny Linnebur, Frank Pucino, and Melissa Somma McGivney. At the fall business meeting and networking forum, the recipient of the 2009 PRN Member Achievement Award will be announced.

The **Research and Scholarship Committee** has completed two projects. First, it finalized and distributed the application for the 2009–2010 Ambulatory Care PRN Pilot Grant Program. The grant will provide up to \$1000 for each of two applicants to help fund a research project. Applications will be accepted until the end of September. Second, the committee conducted a Membership Diversity and Needs Survey of the PRN (last done in 2003). The information from this survey will be forwarded to the PRN Executive Committee for review, comment, and suggestions on how to continue to (and/or better) serve the members of the PRN.

The **Resident and Student Committee**, in collaboration with the Budget and Finance Committee, waived PRN dues this year for residents (communicated to all PGY2 residency directors by Rochelle Rubin). The committee will work with the incoming PRN chair to determine the outcomes of this initiative. In addition, the committee discussed and ranked other potential activities for increased resident and student involvement. Some ideas include creating a survey of colleges to determine their involvement with StuNet and a roundtable discussion for residents and students titled “Am I There Yet? – Getting Where I Want to Go,” planned for the PRN business meeting at the Annual Meeting. Residents and students attending the Annual Meeting will be asked for feedback on the proposed ideas, and committee members will begin working on the implementation of these activities for the 2010 Spring Meeting.

Cardiology PRN

The Cardiology PRN would like to congratulate the two newly elected PRN officers: Sheryl Chow (chair-elect) and Samuel Johnson (secretary/treasurer). Barbara Wiggins is the incoming chair. Special thanks to Robert Page for his service the past 2 years as chair-elect and chair.

The Cardiology PRN is also pleased to announce the recipients of the 2009 Cardiology PRN awards:

Benjamin Van Tassell, Pharm.D., BCPS, and Mark Munger, Pharm.D., FCCP: 2009 Outstanding Paper of the Year Award titled “Carvedilol Increases Blood Pressure Response to Phenylephrine Infusion in Heart Failure Subjects with Systolic Dysfunction: Evidence of Improved Vascular alpha1-Adrenoreceptor Signal Transduction.” This award is in recognition of an outstanding contribution to the biomedical literature that is relevant to pharmacy practice in the area of cardiovascular disease. Other authors of the paper are Matthew Rondina, M.D., Franklin Huggins, Pharm.D., and Edward Gilbert, M.D.

Amber Beitelshees, M.S., Pharm.D.: Junior Investigator Award in recognition of outstanding early career research in the area of cardiovascular pharmacotherapy

William Dager, Pharm.D., FCCP: Mentoring Award in recognition of outstanding teaching and guidance within the profession of pharmacy

Ann Wittkowsky, Pharm.D., FCCP, FASHP: Clinical Practice Award in recognition of excellence in cardiovascular pharmacy clinical practice

Congratulations to all! The award recipients will receive their plaques at the 2009 annual PRN business meeting in Anaheim. Please attend and show your support for these exceptional members.

Also, many thanks to the Awards and Recognition Committee (ARC) for their efforts this past year. ARC members are Sheryl Chow (chair) Melanie Claborn, Robert Didomenico, Antoine Jenkins, Samuel Johnson, Sherry Laforest, Joel Marrs, Tien Ng, and Zachery Stacy.

Finally, special thanks to Robert Page for implementing the ARC this year and to the other PRN officers, Barbara Wiggins and Orly Vardeny, for their support. Please contact Sheryl Chow at schow@westernu.edu for 2009–2010 award nominations.

Congratulations to the following Cardiology PRN members on their notable recent achievements:

- William Baker was awarded Added Qualifications in Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapy by BPS.
- Tom Campbell was elected president of the Tennessee Pharmacists Association for 2009/2010.
- Kai “Annie” Cheang was named a Fellow of ACCP and was promoted to associate professor at Virginia Commonwealth University.
- Michael Crouch was named a Fellow of ASHP.
- Shannon Finks was promoted to associate professor at the University of Tennessee.

- Pat Howard was appointed to the Chest guidelines writing panel for the “Atrial Fibrillation” chapter, 2009–2012.
- Craig Lee was awarded an R01 from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)/ National Institutes of Health (NIH) (2009–2014) for a project titled “Cytochrome P450–Derived Eicosanoids and Inflammation.”
- Tien Ng was promoted to associate professor at the University of Southern California.
- Robert Page was appointed chair of the American Heart Association’s (AHA’s) Clinical Pharmacology Committee, 2009–2011.
- Kerry Pickworth was promoted to associate professor at The Ohio State University.
- Jo Ellen Rodgers was named a Fellow of ACCP and was promoted to associate professor at the University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill.
- Joe Saseen was promoted to professor of pharmacy and family medicine at the University of Colorado–Denver.
- Andrew Smith became board certified in pharmacotherapy.
- Cynthia Sanoski was elected treasurer of ACCP and was selected to participate in AACP’s Academic Leadership Fellows Program.
- Anne Spencer was named a Fellow of ACCP.
- Sarah Spinler was named a Fellow of the AHA and was appointed to the American College of Cardiology’s (ACC) Improving Continuous Quality Care National Work Group, 2009–2012.
- Zachary Stacy was awarded the “2009 Joe E. Habler Educator of the Year” award at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy.
- Robert Talbert was appointed to the AHA’s Clinical Pharmacology Committee, 2009–2011.
- Barbara Wiggins was named a Fellow of the National Lipid Association and elected to its board, was named a Fellow of ACCP, and was appointed to the AHA’s Clinical Pharmacology Committee, 2009–2011.

Clinical Administration PRN

The Clinical Administration PRN grew to more than 220 members this year. Many of its members are in formal or informal leadership roles with medication management in health systems across the country. The PRN thrives on collaborating with other PRNs to develop programming that is of broad interest to other ACCP members. For example, the PRN is conducting a focus session in conjunction with the Education and Training PRN on “Development and Implementation of Preceptor Development Programs” for the 2009 Annual Meeting and is planning a focus session on “Antimicrobial Stewardship: Establishing Best Practices” in collaboration with the Infectious Diseases PRN to be presented at the 2010 Spring Forum. In addition to these programs, the PRN is collaborating with the Education and Training PRN to conduct mock surveys for students and residents to prepare them for the job or residency market. A growing number of the PRN’s members are registering with the ACCP PBRN, and the PRN recently donated \$500 to the ACCP Research Institute. A good example of how the PRN members are providing leadership for clinical pharmacy is the recent creation of the District of Columbia College of Clinical

Pharmacy by *Richard H. Parrish* at the Children’s National Medical Center. In addition, many members are participating in the ACCP Leadership Academy, and the secretary/treasurer-elect, Suzanne Wortman, will be among the first to graduate. The PRN will present a poster about its history on Monday, October 19, and hopes you stop by if you are interested in learning more about the Clinical Administration PRN.

Central Nervous System PRN

The CNS PRN is pleased to announce a joint symposium between the CNS and Palliative Care PRNs at the 2009 Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California:

Central Nervous System and Palliative Care PRN Focus Session – Hot Topics in the Cognitively Impaired Patient

Monday, October 19, 2009, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Convention Center Ballroom A

Moderator: Lee A. Kral, Pharm.D., BCPS
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Anesthesia, Center for Pain Medicine, The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, Iowa

“Managing Pain in Patients with Dementia: A Case-Based Approach” (1:30 p.m.)

Speaker: Autumn L. Runyon, Pharm.D.
Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice, Duquesne University Mylan School of Pharmacy, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

“Assessing and Treating Delirium in Senior Patients: A Case-Based Approach” (2:30 p.m.)

Speaker: Susan Fosnight, B.S., CGP, BCPS
Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice, Northeastern Ohio Universities Colleges of Medicine and Pharmacy, Rootstown, Ohio

CNS PRN Business Meeting and Networking Session

Monday, October 19, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel in Palos Verdes B

Dr. Sheila Botts will provide a short presentation on “Continuity of Antipsychotic Pharmacotherapy Between Health Sectors and Its Effect on Early Relapse.”

Member Highlights

Edward Bednarczyk was selected chair-elect for the clinical sciences section of the APhA-Academy of Pharmaceutical Research and Science. **Sheila Botts**, selected as a Fellow of ACCP, will be recognized at the 2009 Annual Meeting. Dr. Botts was also one of the recipients of the New Investigator Award at the 2009 NCDEU Meeting. **Joshua Caballero** was one of the selected participants in the 2009 Focused Investigator Training (FIT) Program of ACCP. **Jack Chen** received a \$25,000 research grant award from Lundbeck for his project titled “Analysis of Tetrabenazine for the Management of Huntington’s Chorea and Other Hyperkinetic Movement Disorders.” **Larry Cohen** has been nominated for ACCP president-elect for 2010. **Vicki Ellingrod** was nominated for Research Institute trustee of ACCP for 2010.

Michelle Splinter was nominated for CNS PRN chair-elect. **Kimberly Tallian**, selected as a Fellow of ACCP, will be recognized at the 2009 Annual Meeting.

Critical Care PRN

Executive Summary from the Recognition Committee

The charge of the Critical Care PRN Recognition Committee involves developing and maintaining a more systematic way to recognize PRN member accomplishments through the ACCP Web site and newsletters. Below is a partial list of member achievements the committee has initially compiled.

Fellowship Designation

More than 50 PRN members, or about 4% of the PRN membership, hold Fellowship awards from one or more organizations, including the American College of Chest Physicians (FCCP), the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (FCCP), the American College of Critical Care Medicine (FCCM), and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (FASHP):

Najawa Al-Ghamdi, Pharm.D., BCNSP, FCCP
Nada Alqadheeb, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Jeffrey Barletta, Pharm.D., FCCM
Michael L. Bentley, Pharm.D., FCCM
Bradley Boucher, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, BCPS
Gretchen Brophy, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, BCPS
Marcia Buck, Pharm.D., FCCP
Clarence Chant, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCSHP, BCPS
Henry Cohen, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS
Brad Cooper, Pharm.D., FCCM
William Dager, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCSHP, FCCM, BCPS
Joseph Dasta, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM
John Devlin, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, BCPS
Roland Dickerson, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCNSP
Brian Erstad, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, FASHP, BCPS
Elizabeth Farrington, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, BCPS
Douglas Fish, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Jane Gervasio, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCNSP
Curtis Haas, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Krystal Haase, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Jimmi Hatton, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM
Mary Hess, Pharm.D., FASHP, FCCM
Tudy Hodgman, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS
Way Y. Huey, Pharm.D., FCCM
Judith Jacobi, Pharm.D., FCCM, FCCP, BCPS
Sandra Kane-Gill, Pharm.D., M.Sc., FCCP, FCCM
Ahmad Khalil, Pharm.D., FCCP
Robert MacLaren, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM
Michael Maddux, Pharm.D., FCCP
Mark Malesker, Pharm.D., FCCP
Henry Mann, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, FASHP
Steven Martin, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, BCPS
Scott Micek, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Eric Mueller, Pharm.D., FCCP
Keith Olsen, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM
Lance Oyen, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS
John Papadopoulos, Pharm.D., B.S., FCCM, BCPS
Steven Pass, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS
Jill Rebuck, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, BCPS
Denise Rhoney, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM
Christine Rudd, Pharm.D., FCCP, FASHP
Maria I. Rudis, Pharm.D., ABAT, FCCM

Gordon Sacks, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCNSP
Manny Saltiel, Pharm.D., FCCP, FASHP
Maureen Smythe, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Edward Sypniewski Jr., Pharm.D., FCCM
Tate N. Trujillo, Pharm.D., FCCM
Geoffrey Wall, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Linda Welage, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM
Barbara Wiggins, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Eric Wittbrodt, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Ann Wittkowsky, Pharm.D., FCCP
G. Christopher Wood, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS

Board Certification

More than 700 PRN members, or about 54% of the PRN membership, are board certified in one or more BPS specialties, including Pharmacotherapy (more than 695), Nutrition Support (more than 30), Oncology (5), Nuclear (2), and Psychiatry (2). Almost 20 PRN members are certified in more than one specialty. In addition, 10 PRN members are board certified with Added Qualifications in Infectious Diseases, and 9 members hold Added Qualifications in Cardiology.

Critical Care Residency and Fellowship Programs

More than 30 PRN members direct residency programs titled in Critical Care:

Theresa Allison, Pharm.D.
Nitish Bangalore, Pharm.D., BCPS
Troy Batterton, Pharm.D.
Sara Brouse, Pharm.D., BCPS
Todd Canada, Pharm.D., M.D., BCNSP
Henry Cohen, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPP
Robert Darracott, Pharm.D.
Brian Erstad, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, FASHP, BCPS
Megan Farraj, Pharm.D.
Christopher Finch, Pharm.D., BCPS
Douglas Fish, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Jeffrey Fish, Pharm.D., BCPS
Karen Frock, Pharm.D.
Tony Gerlach, Pharm.D., BCPS
Jane Gervasio, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCNSP
Lisa Hall, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCNSP
Tudy Hodgman, Pharm.D., BCPS
James Hollands, Pharm.D., BCPS
Judith Jacobi, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, BCPS
Thomas Johnson, Pharm.D., BCPS
Phil Kuper, Pharm.D., BCPS
Ty Kiser, Pharm.D., BCPS
Joseph Kohn, Pharm.D., BCPS
Michael Liebl, Pharm.D., BCPS
Kyle Ludwig, Pharm.D., BCPS
Carol Morreale, Pharm.D., BCPS
Kari Mount, Pharm.D., BCPS
Eric Mueller, Pharm.D., FCCP
Martin Ohlinger, Pharm.D., BCPS
William Peppard, Pharm.D.
Marc M. Perreault, Pharm.D., BCPS
Catherine Pierce, Pharm.D.
Annette M. Rowden, Pharm.D., BCPS
Brian Smith, Pharm.D., BCPS
David Volles, Pharm.D., BCPS
Sharon Wilson-Oliver, Pharm.D., BCPS
G. Christopher Wood, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Dinesh Yogaratnam, Pharm.D., BCPS

Critical Care PRN members who direct Fellowships titled in Critical Care are listed below:

John Devlin, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS
Henry Mann, Pharm.D., FCCP

National Leadership

Many PRN members hold leadership positions within national pharmacy organizations, including ACCP, SCCM, and ASHP, among others:

- Nicole Acquisto, Pharm.D.; ACCP Emergency Medicine PRN, Secretary/Treasurer
- Farooq Bandali, Pharm.D.; SCCM CPP Research Committee, Chair-Elect
- Jeffrey Barletta, Pharm.D., FCCM; Secretary/Treasurer of SCCM CPP Section
- Michael L. Bentley, Pharm.D.; SCCM Member-at-Large
- Scott Bolesta, Pharm.D., BCPS; SCCM CPP Communications Committee, Chair
- Brad Cooper, Pharm.D., FCCM; Chair of SCCM CPP Section
- Joseph F. Dasta, M.Sc., FCCM; Member, SCCM Council
- Kamila Dell, Pharm.D., BCPS; ACCP Critical Care PRN, Secretary/Treasurer
- David Ehlert; ASHP Council on Public Policy, Vice Chair
- Elizabeth Farrington, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM, BCPS; PPAG Board of Directors
- Jeff Fong, Pharm.D.; SCCM CPP Education Committee, Chair-Elect
- Curtis E. Haas, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS; ACCP Critical Care PRN, Board Liaison
- Brian M. Hodges, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCNSP; 2009 Certification Affairs Committee, Chair
- Tudy Hodgman, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS; SCCM CPP Information Technology Committee, Chair
- Judith Jacobi, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS; SCCM President-Elect
- Paul Juang, Pharm.D., BCPS; SCCM CPP Membership Committee, Chair-Elect
- Ishaq Lat, Pharm.D., BCPS; SCCM CPP Research, Chair
- Robert MacLaren, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM; 2009 Nominations Committee, Chair
- Mark Malesker, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS; Membership Committee for ACCP and CHEST
- Stephanie Mallow-Corbett, Pharm.D.; Chair-Elect of SCCM CPP Section
- Steven J. Martin, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS; Member, SCCM Council
- Eric W. Mueller; Pharm.D., FCCP; ASHP Critical Care Traineeship Site Director
- Lance J. Oyen, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS; ACCP Critical Care PRN, Chair
- John Papadopoulos, B.S., Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS; Immediate Past Chair of SCCM CPP Section
- Steven Pass, Pharm.D., FCCM, BCPS; ACCP Critical Care PRN, Chair-Elect
- Marc M. Perreault, Pharm.D., BCPS; Panel of Examiners – Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada
- Dustin Spencer, Pharm.D., BCPS; SCCM CPP Program Committee, Chair-Elect
- Alison Stevens, Pharm.D., BCPS; SCCM CPP Membership Committee, Chair

- Stacy Voils, Pharm.D., BCPS; SCCM CPP Communications Committee, Chair-Elect
- Barbara J. Zarowitz, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS; Presidential Task Force, Chair

Awards

Several PRN members have received national awards recently from organizations including ACCP, SCCM, and ASHP:

Nicole Acquisto, Pharm.D.; ASHP Best Practice Award, 2008

Tina Denetclaw, Pharm.D., BCPS; ACCP Volunteer Recognition Program, Education and Training PRN

Anthony Gerlach, Pharm.D., BCPS; Secretary/Treasurer, ACCP Critical Care PRN; 2009 ACCP Volunteer Recognition Program, Critical Care PRN; 2006 SCCM Research Citation Finalist

Ty Kiser, Pharm.D., BCPS; Chair-Elect, Critical Care PRN; SCCM Presidential Citation; ACCP Investigator Development Award; ACCP Volunteer Recognition Program, Critical Care PRN

Robert MacLaren, Pharm.D., FCCP, FCCM; ACCP Volunteer Recognition Program, Critical Care PRN

Eric W. Mueller, Pharm.D., FCCP; 2007 ASHP Foundation New Preceptor Award

Asad Patanwala, Pharm.D., BCPS; ACCP FIT Program Participant 2009

Hanna Phan, Pharm.D.; ACCP FIT Program Participant 2009

Promotions

Several PRN members have recently earned academic or professional promotions:

Gretchen Brophy, Pharm.D., FCCM, FCCP, was promoted to professor of pharmacy practice, Virginia Commonwealth University, August 2009.

Sue Kim, Pharm.D., BCPS, was promoted to associate professor, Hines VA Hospital, Hines, Illinois.

Suzanne Marques, Pharm.D., BCPS, was promoted to residency program director, St. Rita's Medical Center, Lima, Ohio.

Marc M. Perreault, Pharm.D., BCPS, was promoted to director of the M.Sc. residency program, Montreal General Hospital, Montreal, QC, Canada.

Gordon Sacks, Pharm.D., FCCP, was promoted to head of Department of Pharmacy Practice, Auburn University, Harrison School of Pharmacy, March 2009.

Publications

PRN members have published numerous papers and book chapters. The next PRN Report will highlight the publications of its active members, categorized in sections modeled after the most recent update of "Key Articles and Guidelines Relative to Intensive Care Unit Pharmacology" by Erstad BL, et al, which is expected to be published in *Pharmacotherapy* soon.

If any of your information has been overlooked, please feel free to e-mail updates or edits; any oversights were completely unintentional.

Please contact Kathryn A. Connor at kac Connor17@sbglobal.net with questions and other correspondence concerning the Critical Care PRN Recognition Committee.

Education and Training PRN

Description of the Upcoming Networking Forum:

The EDTR PRN will conduct the Third Annual Interviewing Skills Workshop for students, residents, and fellows at its networking meeting on Monday, October 19, at 6:00 p.m. in California Pavilion A. This workshop provides colleagues-in-training the opportunity to participate in a mock interview with an ACCP member. The mock interviewer simulates an actual interview for a residency, clinical, or faculty position. Students are given immediate feedback on ways to improve their interviewing skills. The event continues to grow in popularity, and this year, the EDTR PRN expects an even larger number of participants (both interviewers and interviewees). In addition, this year's event will include an introduction to and overview of interviewing skills. The EDTR PRN thanks all past and future volunteers for making the event a success.

Congratulations to the following PRN members, who have completed the ACCP Teaching and Learning Academy: Marty Eng, Joel Marrs, Julie Murphy, Michael Peeters, Amy Seybert, Tyan (Frazier) Thomas, and Nancy Yunker.

Beth H. Resman-Targoff, Pharm.D., FCCP, a clinical professor at the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy, cowrote an article for a book that chronicles the development of clinical pharmacy (Rowley AK, Resman-Targoff BH, Marra CA, Pucino F. Evolution of clinical pharmacy in the practice of rheumatology. In: Evolution of Clinical Pharmacy: 40 Years of Progress. Cincinnati, OH: Harvey Whitney Books, 2009:343–52). She also participated in a program now available for online CE (“New Recommendations for Disease-Modifying Antirheumatic Drugs and Emerging Options for the Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis”) and was a reviewer for the chapter on “Rheumatoid Arthritis” in the Pharmacotherapy Self-Assessment Program, 6th ed.

Michael J. Peeters, Pharm.D., MEd, BCPS, a clinical assistant professor at the University of Toledo College of Pharmacy, completed a master's degree in education (in Educational Research and Measurement) in August 2009. In addition, he had four publications: Peeters MJ, Stone GE. An instrument to objectively measure pharmacist professionalism as an outcome: a pilot study. *Can J Hosp Pharm* 2009;62:209–16. Peeters MJ, Beltyukova S. Measuring professionalism in resident physicians [letter]. *JAMA* 2009;301:723. Peeters MJ, Pinto SL. Assessing the impact of an educational program on decreasing prescribing errors at a university hospital. *J Hosp Med* 2009;4:97–101. Peeters MJ, Pettry BJ. Evidence-based emergency medicine [book review]. *Ann Pharmacother* 2009;43:1378–9. He also had seven meeting abstracts accepted this year.

Emergency Medicine PRN

The Emergency Medicine PRN, which continues to grow, now has more than 170 members in less than 1 year. A poster, which will be presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting, recounts the history of the PRN and some of the history of the pharmacist practicing in the emergency department. Elections were held for chair, chair-elect, and secretary/treasurer. The PRN is honored to announce the elections

of Drs. Cohen, Walker, and Acquisto to their respective positions.

Chair: Victor Cohen

Chair-Elect: Pamela (Lada) Walker

Secretary/Treasurer: Nicole M. Acquisto

Media Committee – The PRN's first newsletter, published in May 2009, contained a therapeutic presentation of DKA, membership publication citations, and a listing of the resident class for emergency medicine.

Focus Session Planning Committee – The planning committee worked hard to put together a quality focus session, which will be presented in Anaheim.

Recent Publications and Awards for Members of the PRN Include:

Acquisto NA. ASHP Best Practices Award in Health-System Pharmacy for “Pharmacists Enhancing the Time to Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory and Patient Safety During Acute Myocardial Infarction Presentation to the Emergency Department.”

Cohen V. Safe and Effective Medication Use in the Emergency Department. Bethesda, MD: American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, 2009.

Cohen V. Effect of clinical pharmacists on care in the emergency department: a systematic review. *Am J Health Syst Pharm* 2009;66:1353–61.

Hughes DW, Roth JM, Laurel Y. Establishing emergency department clinical pharmacy services: experience from two large urban teaching hospitals. *Am J Health Syst Pharm* Accepted July 15, 2009. In press.

Endocrine and Metabolism PRN

Promotions:

Krystal L. Edwards, Pharm.D., BCPS, was recently promoted to associate professor at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy. Dr. Edwards practices in the Division of Primary Care at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy, Dallas, Texas campus.

Erika L. Kleppinger, Pharm.D., BCPS, CDE, was recently promoted to associate clinical professor at Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy.

Grantsmanship:

Christina Aquilante, Pharm.D., was recently awarded a 2-year R03 grant from the NIH/NIDDK to study “The Role of P-Glycoprotein in Sitagliptin Clinical Pharmacology.” Dr. Aquilante is an assistant professor in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of Colorado School of Pharmacy.

Fellowships, Certifications, and Awards:

Qusai Y. Al-share, RPh, Ph.D., received the 2009 ACCP Annual Meeting Resident/Fellow Travel Award. Dr. Al-share is a Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Buffalo and the

Novartis Pharmaceutical Company Institute of Biomedical Research in East Hanover, New Jersey.

Dawn Havrda, Pharm.D., has been elected a Fellow of ACCP. Dr. Havrda is an associate professor and chair of Department of Pharmacy Practice, Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy, Shenandoah University, Winchester, Virginia.

Erika A. Webster, Pharm.D., BCPS, CDE, recently passed her CDE examination. Dr. Webster is a clinical pharmacy specialist in ambulatory care at the G.V. (Sonny) Montgomery VA Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi.

Publications:

Cole Kildow, Pharm.D., PGY2 ambulatory care resident at Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy, had the following publications:

- Kildow DC, Sisson EM, Mayer S. "Diabetes Care and Self-Management Education: Implementing Clinical Pharmacy Services in an Inner City Free Clinic," 2009 AADE Annual Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia
- Mayer S, Kildow DC, Sisson EM. "Establishing Ambulatory Care Clinical Pharmacy Services in a Free Clinic Through Community Engagement," 2009 ACCP Spring Meeting in Orlando, Florida

Rosalyn S. Padiyara, Pharm.D., CDE, who practices in the Department of Pharmacy Practice at Midwestern University, Chicago College of Pharmacy, Downers Grove campus, has the following forthcoming publication:

- Schemmel K, Padiyara RS, D'Souza J. Aldose reductase inhibitors in the treatment of diabetic peripheral neuropathy: a review. *J Diabetes Complications* 2009.

The Endocrine and Metabolism PRN (Endo-PRN) will present the following poster at the 2009 ACCP Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California:

- Quinones ME, Wigle P, Padiyara RS, Havrda D, Graham M, Harrigan N. The history and growth of the Endocrine and Metabolism PRN [poster]. October 2009.

Elected Appointments:

- Krystal Edwards, Pharm.D., BCPS, will be chair of the Endo-PRN for 2009–2010.
- Dawn Havrda, Pharm.D., BCPS, will be chair-elect of the Endo-PRN for 2009–2010.
- Marissa Quinones, Pharm.D., will be secretary/treasurer of the Endo-PRN for 2009–2010.

Geriatrics PRN

The Geriatrics PRN would like to congratulate its newly elected PRN officers: Joe Vande Griend (chair-elect) and Olga Hilas (secretary/treasurer). Mark Ruscini will now be the chair. New members are welcomed, including Nicole Balchin, Christopher Brennick (student member), Charlotte Campbell, Kyle Fox, Diane Fromelt, Janet Phelan, Kristina Rogers, and Nada Saraeb (student member).

Additional Congratulations for Notable Member Achievements:

Albert Barber will be installed president-elect of ASCP in November.

Paula A. Thompson finished the AACP Academic Leadership Fellows Program (2008–2009 cohort).

Mary Beth O'Connell received one of AACP's Innovations in Teaching Awards for her elective class titled "Patients' Perspectives on Health, Illness, and Culture."

Jeannie K. Lee attended ACCP's Focused Investigator Training (FIT) Program in July 2009.

Olga Hilas became a Fellow of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP) and received a master's of public health (MPH) degree in urban health in December 2008 (SUNY Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York).

Jeannie K. Lee became a member of the NIH's National Institute on Aging Health Disparities Resource Persons Network.

Publications:

Alaniz CA, Regal RE. Spontaneous bacterial peritonitis: a review of treatment options. *Pharm Ther* 2009;34:204–10.

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Khanderia U, Regal RE. Cardiovascular disease and erectile dysfunction the evolving role of phosphodiesterase 5 inhibitors. In: *Heart Disease in Men*. Hauppauge, NY: Nova Science Publishers, 2009.

Lee JK, Grace KA, Taylor AJ. Ten lessons learned from conducting an adherence intervention trial. *Patient Preference Adherence* 2009;3:93–8. Textbook chapters submitted.

Lee JK. GI disorders and nutrition. In: Hutchison L, Sleeper-Irons R, eds. *Fundamentals of Geriatric Pharmacotherapy*. Washington, DC: ASHP Press. To be published in 2010.

Lee JK, Mendoza DM, Mohler J, Morris SJ. Geriatrics. In: Chisholm-Burns MA, Wells BG, Schwinghammer TL, et al, eds. *Pharmacotherapy: Principles and Practice*, 2nd ed. New York: McGraw-Hill. To be published in 2010.

Rojas-Fernandez C, Moorhouse P. Current concepts in vascular cognitive impairment and pharmacotherapeutic implications. *Ann Pharmacother* 2009;43:1310–23.

Walker PC, Bernstein SJ, Tucker-Jones J, Piersma J, Kim HW, Regal RE, et al. Impact of a pharmacist-facilitated hospital discharge program: a quasi-experimental study. *Arch Intern Med*. Accepted for publication.

Walsh CM, Hilas O. Recognizing Charles Bonnet syndrome in the elderly. *Consult Pharm* 2009;24:291–3.

Walsh CM, Hilas O, Ezzo DC. Metabolic syndrome and cardiovascular risk factors. *US Pharm* 2009;34:HS12–HS15.

Presentations:

"A Corpus of Concepts Concerning Copacetic Care of Anemias: So, Blood Else Is New?" February 2009. Michigan

Pharmacists Annual Meeting/Convention, Detroit, Michigan. Randolph E. Regal, presenter.

“Enhancing Medication Adherence to Improve Blood Pressure and LDL Cholesterol: The FAME Trial (Federal Study of Adherence to Medications in the Elderly).” Will be presented at the Asian Conference on Clinical Pharmacy, Seoul, South Korea. September 2009. Jeannie K. Lee, presenter.

“Highlighting Cutting-Edge Practice: Enhancing Medication Adherence to Improve Patient Outcomes.” Presented at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, Orlando, Florida. December 2008. Jeannie K. Lee, presenter.

“Life Down Cardiovascular Lane: Balancing Evidence with Quality of Life in Older Adults.” Will be presented at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada. December 2009. Jeannie K. Lee, presenter.

“Student Involvement in Scholarly Activities During Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiences.” 2009 AACP Annual Meetings and Seminars. Boston, Massachusetts. Olga Hilas, presenter.

Poster Presentation: “A Pilot Study Investigating the Relationship of Admission Blood Glucose with HbA1c, with a View to Screening Hospitalized Patients for Diabetes.” August 2009. Australian Diabetes Society/ADEA Annual Conference. Tariq M. Alhawassi, presenter. The paper for publication is in progress.

Poster Presentation: “Prazosin vs. Quetiapine for Nighttime PTSD Symptoms in Veterans: An Assessment of Long-term Efficacy and Safety.” Arizona Pharmacy Alliance Annual Meeting, Tucson, Arizona. July 2009. Jeannie K. Lee, presenter.

Research:

Jack Chen received a \$25,000 research grant award from Lundbeck: “Analysis of Tetrabenazine for the Management of Huntington’s Chorea and Other Hyperkinetic Movement Disorders.”

Jeannie K. Lee received an ASHP foundation grant for “Demonstrating Pharmacists’ Impact on Therapeutic, Safety, Humanistic and Economic Health Outcomes: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis. 2008 Demonstrating Pharmacists’ Value: A Systematic Evidence Review.”

Announcements:

Judith L. Beizer, president of ASCP, gave the following update:

Our Policy and Advocacy Department has been very busy this year, making sure that senior care pharmacists are represented in various aspects of health care reform. We’ve been most active with the Boxer Bill (loan forgiveness for health professionals entering geriatrics), the Kohl Bill (funding for GECs, etc. – essentially answering the IOM report), and the Independence at Home Act. For more details, see www.ascp.com.

Finished Projects:

The Geriatrics PRN has finished the history paper and the poster version, which has been a labor of love. Thank you to

all who contributed to these projects. Please stop by during the poster session on Monday, October 19, at the Annual Meeting and see this work of art.

GI/Liver/Nutrition PRN

The members of the GI/Liver/Nutrition PRN would like to invite ACCP members to its PRN business meeting and networking forum at the upcoming 2009 ACCP Annual Meeting in Anaheim, scheduled for **Tuesday, October 20, 2009, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**, in the Hilton “Monterey Room,” where appetizers and drinks will be provided. This will be a great opportunity to network with ACCP members interested in gastroenterology and nutrition. Members of the PRN are also excited to offer the GI/Liver/Nutrition PRN focus session titled “**Therapeutic Controversy in Nutrition Support: Use of Premixed Parenteral Nutrition Formulations**,” scheduled for **Tuesday, October 20, 2009, from 1:15 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.** This focus session will feature a pro/con discussion of nutrition formulations.

The GI/Liver/Nutrition PRN would like to congratulate Dr. Emma Tillman for winning the 2009 GI/Liver/Nutrition PRN Travel Award. Dr. Tillman is completing a Pediatric Nutrition and Metabolic Support Fellowship at The University of Tennessee Health Science Center and Le Bonheur Children’s Medical Center, Memphis, Tennessee. The title of her abstract is “Eicosapentaenoic Acid Attenuates Bile Acid–Induced Hepatocellular Injury by Reducing Apoptosis and Inflammation.” She will receive \$500 to help support her trip to the 2009 Annual Meeting. Dr. Tillman will receive recognition for this award at the PRN networking forum, where she will present her research as a platform presentation.

Health Outcomes PRN

The Health Outcomes (HOt) PRN would like to congratulate Fred Doloresco, Pharm.D., as the PRN’s new secretary/treasurer. Dr. Doloresco is an assistant professor at the University of Buffalo. The succession of chair goes to Marie Parker, Pharm.D., and the vice chair goes to Ron Wade, M.S.

The PRN hopes to see many of its members in Anaheim for the business meeting, where new collaborations with the Academy’s Research and Scholarship Program will be discussed.

Hematology/Oncology PRN

Hematology/Oncology PRN Elections

Congratulations to the recently elected officers! **Deborah Hass, Pharm.D., BCOP**, Clinical Assistant Professor, Midwestern University, will serve as chair-elect, and **LeAnn Norris, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCOP**, Clinical Assistant Professor, South Carolina College of Pharmacy, will serve as secretary/treasurer for the upcoming year.

ACCP Fellows

Congratulations to **Stacy Shord, Pharm.D., BCOP**, and **Barry Goldspiel, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCOP**, who were elected Fellows of ACCP and will be recognized at the upcoming 2009 Annual Meeting!

BCOP Recertification

Several members of ACCP and the Hematology/Oncology PRN have worked to offer a BCOP recertification program at the ACCP, ASHP, and Hematology Oncology Pharmacy Association (HOPA) meetings this year. Topics include “Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia,” “Current Statistical Considerations in Oncology Practice,” “Update on Sarcomas,” “Pharmacogenomics,” “Hepatocellular Carcinoma,” and “Central Nervous System Malignancies.” One of the speakers this year is PRN member **John G. Kuhn, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCOP**. Dr. Kuhn’s continuing education program titled “Pharmacogenomics: Application in Cancer Patients” includes a description of the difference between pharmacogenetics and pharmacogenomics, provides a list of the validated polymorphic enzymes recommended for genotyping before chemotherapy, and discusses the emerging genetic polymorphisms that influence the pharmacokinetics and/or pharmacodynamics of cancer therapeutics. Look for this program at the ACCP Annual Meeting. To receive recertification credit, you must attend all six sessions and complete the Web-based post-test.

Raising Money for Cancer Prevention

Lisa M. Holle, Pharm.D., BCOP, Lauren Decloe, Pharm.D., BCOP, Christy Harris, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCOP, and Jennifer Thompson, Pharm.D., BCOP, worked with other HOPA-dedicated professionals to raise \$5000 for the Richard David Kann Melanoma Foundation of West Palm Beach, Florida. This “Run from the Sun 5K Run/Walk” charity event was held during the HOPA 5th Annual Conference. The Richard David Kann Melanoma Foundation, a not-for-profit organization, works to educate the public about sun safety, prevention, and early detection of skin cancer, especially melanoma.

Make Your Voice Heard

Hematology/Oncology PRN member **Scott Soefje, Pharm.D., BCOP**, has been collaborating with ACCP leadership and other pharmacy professionals to inform hematology/oncology practitioners about health care reform. In his role as HOPA Legislative Affairs Committee Chair, Dr. Soefje called on members to communicate with their congressional representatives to recognize pharmacists as nonphysician providers, restore funding for specialty residency training for pharmacists, provide grants for pharmacists to provide MTM (medication therapy management) services for chronically ill patients, and expand the loan forgiveness programs to include pharmacists. Visit the ACCP Government and Professional Affairs section on the ACCP Web site to find the name of your elected officials. Make your voice heard by advocating for pharmacist-provided patient care services to help optimize therapeutic outcomes and reduce the risk of adverse events in patients.

Pain and Palliative Care PRN

Publications:

- **Bain KT**. The changing landscape of hospice care in the United States. *Assisted Living Consult* 2009;5:12–7.
- **Bain KT, Maxwell TL, Strassels SA, Whellan DJ**. Hospice use among patients with heart failure. *Am Heart J* 2009;158:118–25.
- **Fudin J**. Why avoid administering preservative-containing drugs into the central nervous system?

Medscape Pharmacists Expert Column. Posted January 19, 2009.

- **Marcucci C, Fudin J, Thomas P, et al**. A new pattern of buprenorphine misuse may complicate perioperative pain control [case reports, letter]. *Anesth Analg* 2009;108:1996–7.
- **McCarberg B, Bainbridge JL, Fudin J**. Optimizing chronic pain management: integrating pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. *Clin Courier* 2009;27:1–8.

Presentations:

- **Kevin Bain, Pharm.D., BCPS, CGP, FASCP**, presented “Methadone Boot Camp” at VITAS Innovative Hospice Medical Directors Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada, on May 2, 2009.
- **Lee Kral, Pharm.D., BCPS**, presented lectures at PAINWEEK 2009, Las Vegas, Nevada, on “NSAIDs and Steroids” and “Adjuvants” on September 11, 2009.

Projects and Research:

- **Jeffrey Fudin, Pharm.D., B.S., DAAPM**, participated in a collaborative project between the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (ARHQ) and the Evidence-Based Practice Center (EPC) at the University of Alberta for a commissioned project to review a comparative effectiveness review of pain management in patients with hip fractures.
- **Chris Herndon, Pharm.D., BCPS**, and Southern Illinois University hosted the Strategic Planning Summit for the Advancement of Pain and Palliative Care Pharmacy in Edwardsville, Illinois, on October 1 and 2, 2009. Other PRN members serving on the summit advisory board were **David Craig, Pharm.D., BCPS, Suzanne A. Nesbit, Pharm.D., CPE, Rebecca Finley, Pharm.D., Phyllis Grauer, Pharm.D., Lee Kral, Pharm.D., BCPS, and Lee Ann Bradley, BCPS**.

Accomplishments:

- **Kevin Bain, Pharm.D., MPH, BCPS, CGP, FASCP**, received his master’s of public health (MPH) degree from Drexel University, School of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (June 2009). Dr. Bain was also inducted into the Hygeia Honor Society, Drexel University, School of Public Health, in June 2009.
- The PRN would like to congratulate all members who have earned the Certified Pain Educator credential: **Thomas Gregory, Pharm.D., BCPS, CPE, Kathryn Hahn, Pharm.D., DAAPM, CPE, Chris Herndon, Pharm.D., BCPS, CPE, Cynthia Johnston, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCOP, CPE, Ronald Knights, Pharm.D., CPE, and Suzanne A. Nesbit, Pharm.D., CPE**.

Mark Your Calendars

- October 18–21, 2009 – **ACCP Annual Meeting** in Anaheim, California
 - Focus Session: “**Hot Topics in the Cognitively Impaired Patient.**” This case-based approach will feature the following:
 - “Managing Pain in Patients with Dementia: A Case-Based Approach” by **Autumn Runyan, Pharm.D.**



- “Assessing and Treating Delirium in Senior Patients: A Case-Based Approach” by **Susan Fosnight**, RPh, CGP, BCPS
- The Pain and Palliative Care PRN business meeting and networking session will be held on Tuesday evening. The PRN is pleased to announce presentations by **Julie Waldfogel**, Pharm.D., on “Ketamine as an Adjuvant Analgesic” and **Tanya Tellagadis**, Pharm.D., on “News You Can Use in Pain Management.” The PRN welcomes these two young practitioners to share their projects and talents.

Pediatrics PRN

The first International Pediatrics Pharmacy and Clinical Pharmacology Symposium, held in April 2009, was a success. ACCP Pediatric PRN, PPAG, ESCP, NPPG, and ASCPT members were involved in planning the programming, which focused on medication safety for children worldwide. More than 200 pediatric pharmacists and pharmacologists attended. Attendees learned about pediatric medication issues in other countries, and networking was a highlight of the meeting. A lot of cooperation between the major pharmacy groups has led to opportunities for research collaboration on an international level. The Pediatric PRN is excited about the possibilities for further communication and collaboration.

Member Accomplishments:

Marcia Buck, Jim Dice, Helen Fiechtner, and Kay Kyllonen, the first recognized Fellows of the Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group (PPAG), underwent induction at the PPAG Annual Meeting in September 2009 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Jason Blauwet (UCDHSC) has been promoted to a clinical coordinator position, and he has achieved clinical assistant professor status at a second university (the University of Wyoming).

Kim Tallian (San Diego) and **Mark Haase** (Texas Tech) were recognized as ACCP Fellows.

Heather VandenBussche was promoted to professor of pharmacy practice at Ferris State University College of Pharmacy. She was also elected to the PPAG Board of Directors.

Jim Thigpen (East Tennessee State University) was recognized as Teacher of the Year and Preceptor of the Year for the 2008–2009 school year.

Pete Johnson (University of Oklahoma) received Teacher of the Year from the College of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics, for 2008–2009. He was also elected the Western District chair for the Oklahoma Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

Tracy Hagemann (University of Oklahoma) received Teacher of the Year from the OU College of Pharmacy for 2008–2009. She is also an AACP Academic Leadership Fellow for 2009–2010.

Michelle Condren (University of Oklahoma) received Preceptor of the Year from the OU College of Pharmacy for 2008–2009.

Jeremy So (Moses Cone Hospital) received Pediatric Fundamental Critical Care Support certification from the Society of Critical Care Medicine.

Pharmaceutical Industry PRN

Introducing the 2009–2010 Officers

The Pharmaceutical Industry PRN’s incoming officers are chair-elect, Shane Scott; secretary/treasurer, Ruth Ann Subach; and chair, Julie Oki Maurey.

Incoming chair: Julie Oki Maurey, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, is currently director, Regional Medical, and research specialist at Pfizer in pulmonary vascular disease. Julie has been an active member of ACCP since 1986, serving on, and/or as chair of, numerous committees and task forces as well as a 3-year term on the Board of Regents. Before joining the pharmaceutical industry, she was associate professor of medicine and pharmacy at the University of Missouri–Kansas City. In her 15 years as faculty, she mentored many students, residents, and fellows and developed a collaborative clinical practice in diabetes mellitus. For the past 8 years, she has worked in the pharmaceutical industry at Novartis and Pfizer in field-based medical affairs. Her most recent assignment in pulmonary vascular disease has brought new challenges and opportunities to work with clinicians and researchers both internal to Pfizer and around the country to address unmet medical needs of patients with pulmonary hypertension.

Julie’s vision for the Pharmaceutical Industry PRN is that it will be the “go-to” resource for ACCP members, staff, and leadership regarding issues, challenges, and appropriate collaborations between the Pharmaceutical Industry PRN and ACCP, both as members and from an organizational perspective. To achieve this, she is looking to rally Pharmaceutical Industry PRN members to increase their involvement, participation, and commitment to the organization.

Chair-Elect: It is with sadness that we announce that Shane Scott, Pharm.D., M.Pharm., BCPS, BCOP, recently passed away. The PRN has put out a Call for Nominations for a new Chair Elect.

Dr Scott hailed from Adelaide, Australia, where he completed his initial pharmacy training. He went on to obtain a master’s degree in pharmaceuticals and then completed a doctor of pharmacy degree at the University of Iowa.

Over the past 28 years, he worked for two pharmaceutical companies, five academic institutions, and 18 hospitals over three continents, as well as consulted for 14 pharmaceutical companies. His clinical practice and research covered many therapeutic areas, but for the past 18 years, he focused in oncology-hematology.

Shane co-directed the clinical trials core at the University of Iowa NCI-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center and co-chaired the Clinical Trials Unit steering committee of the Hunter Medical Research Institute, Newcastle, Australia. He was the foundation chair of pharmacy at the University of Newcastle earlier this decade.

and developed the first graduate entry-level professional pharmacy degree program in Australia.

Dr. Scott saw The Industry PRN within ACCP as a key to strengthening the relationships between clinical pharmacy practitioners, ACCP, and the pharmaceutical industry. He will be sorely missed.

Anyone wishing to share memorial statements about Dr Shane can have them posted to the Industry PRN web page by sending their statements to Andrea Anderson: anderson.andrea@gene.com by October 30th.

Secretary/Treasurer: Ruth Ann Subach, Pharm.D., has been a full member of ACCP for about 10 years. Although she has been most active in the Nephrology PRN, serving on committees and editing the newsletter, she has taken on increasing responsibilities within the group and is currently the Nephrology PRN chair (2008–2009). In addition, she is leading the PRN history documentation project for that group. After her fellowship and 3 years in academia, she joined the pharmaceutical industry in 2002 as a manager of clinical pharmacology within GlaxoSmithKline. In 2005, she accepted a position at a specialty pharmaceutical company as director of clinical development, designing and/or directly managing clinical pharmacology and phase 3 studies at Cardiokine.

In 2008, Dr. Subach accepted a position at another specialty pharmaceutical company (Zelos Therapeutics) as senior director of clinical development. In small companies, she has “worn many hats”; she values the contribution of each person contributing to an organization, from the office manager to the CEO. As secretary/treasurer of the Pharmaceutical Industry PRN, she will serve the group by enhancing communication and assisting others in their leadership roles. She hopes for the opportunity to play a more active role within this PRN and to bring her small/specialty industry experience to the table.

Industry PRN Members Nominated for the 2010 ACCP Ballot

Congratulations to Julie Oki Maurey and John Flaherty of the Pharmaceutical Industry PRN membership, who have been selected as candidates for the College’s 2010 Ballot for ACCP President-Elect and Research Institute Trustee, respectively. This is indeed a great accomplishment for both individuals and a testament to the contributions that those working in the pharmaceutical industry can make to the organization. Whatever your choice, be sure to get out and vote next spring.

PhRMA and ACCP Collaboration Committee

The Pharmaceutical Industry PRN was asked to engage with the ACCP committee exploring future collaborations between ACCP and BIO and/or PhRMA on potential projects limited to and dealing with ACCP’s mission in patient advocacy and patient care.

The ACCP–PhRMA/BIO Collaboration Committee surveyed the Pharmaceutical Industry PRN membership regarding potential areas of such types of collaboration to get a broader sense of possible joint projects, especially the priority of these projects for PhRMA.

Student Initiatives

Two of the PRN members, Andrea Anderson, Pharm.D. (current PRN chair), and John Flaherty, Pharm.D., will again participate in this year’s **Clinical Pharmacy Career Path**

Roundtables. Dr. Joseph DiPiro will open this session with insights on career pathways and opportunities within the clinical pharmacy profession. Students will then interact directly with clinical pharmacists in 15 specialty practice areas, including the Pharmaceutical Industry PRN, to discover a variety of unique career opportunities.

Women’s Health PRN

The Women’s Health PRN has been busy for the past few months, completing its PRN history paper and poster, which will be presented on **Monday, October 19, 2009**. Come by and learn about the Women’s Health PRN. Thanks to all who helped in this effort! In addition, the PRN has been working hard, writing an opinion paper regarding over-the-counter (OTC) use of oral contraceptives. Several of its members are working with **Jennifer McIntosh, Pharm.D., MHS**, who is spearheading the effort. Dr. McIntosh, who is also part of the working group for OTC oral contraceptives, will present a preliminary draft of the paper to the group at a September meeting in New York. Two of the PRN’s members, **Kathy Besinque, Pharm.D., MSEd, FASHP, FCSHP**, and **Teresa Dunsworth, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS**, represented the Women’s Health PRN and attended the Adult Women’s Health Alliance, Leadership Council Meeting, in Washington, DC, last July. The conference provided opportunities for interdisciplinary professional groups such as the National Osteoporosis Foundation, Cardiovascular Nurses Association, and others to work together and present options for preventive care and promoting health in women.

The PRN has been working diligently to provide quality programming for the Fall Annual Meeting and Spring Research Forum. You are invited to join the PRN on **Tuesday, October 20, 2009, from 1:15 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.** for the focus session titled “Updates in Women’s Health Across the Lifespan.” There will be excellent speakers for some exciting topics, including the following:

- **1:15 p.m. – Childhood Obesity: Treatment Considerations for the Female Adolescent**
Speaker: Nancy Nkansah, Pharm.D., MBA, BCPS, Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy, University of California–San Francisco, San Francisco, California
- **1:45 p.m. – Is 27 Too Old? HPV Vaccination in Older Women**
Speaker: Karen M. Gunning, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, Associate Professor of Clinical Pharmacotherapy, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah
- **2:15 p.m. – Nutrition and Bone Health: A Focus on Vitamin D**
Speaker: Laura B. Borgelt, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, University of Colorado–Denver, Departments of Clinical Pharmacy and Family Medicine, Aurora, Colorado
- **2:45 p.m. – FDA Black Box Warnings: Current Issues and Focus on Women’s Health**
Speaker: Joyce A. Generali, M.S., FASHP, Director, Kansas University Hospital Drug Information Center, Kansas City, Kansas

You are invited to join the PRN at its networking and business meeting to be held on **Tuesday, October 20, 2009, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Hilton: Laguna.**

The business meeting will include an update of PRN activities and initiatives, as well as an opportunity to become involved in the PRN and meet others with interests and practices in Women’s Health. In addition, there will be a special presentation, “New and Emerging Opportunities for Pharmacists in Women’s Health,” facilitated by Sharon Landau, Director of Pharmacy Access Partnership, a center of the nonprofit Pacific Institute for Women’s Health. The program will feature new and emerging programs, policy and training opportunities for pharmacists to increase access to women’s health, and reproductive health clinical services. Also discussed will be efforts and strategies to expand educational opportunities and curricula at schools of pharmacy nationally, to cultivate pharmacy leaders around reproductive health, and to increase low-income women’s access to family planning services. Fruit, pastries, and nonalcoholic beverages will be available.

Member Achievements:

There is some great news about the Women’s Health PRN members to share!

Promotions:

- Alicia Forinash, Pharm.D., BCPS, was promoted to associate professor, St. Louis College of Pharmacy.
- “Annie” Kai I. Cheang, Pharm.D., M.Sc., BCPS, was promoted to associate professor with tenure, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy.

Elections:

- Kim Thrasher, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, CPP, was elected to the ACCP Board of Regents.

Fellows of ACCP:

- “Annie” Kai I. Cheang, Pharm.D., M.Sc., BCPS, will be inducted as a Fellow of ACCP this year.

Publications:

- **Briggs GG**, Polifka J; OTIS Research Committee. Better data needed from pregnancy registries. Birth Defects Res A Clin Mol Teratol 2009;85:109–11.
- **Briggs GG**, Ambrose PJ, Ilett KF, Hackett LP, Nageotte MP, Padilla G. Use of duloxetine in pregnancy and lactation: a case report. Ann Pharmacother. In press 2009.

Books by Women’s Health PRN members:

- **Briggs GG**, Nageotte MP, eds. Diseases, Complications and Drug Therapy in Obstetrics: A Guide for Clinicians. Bethesda, MD: American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, 2009.
- **Briggs GG**, Freeman RF, Yaffe S. UPDATE – Drugs in Pregnancy and Lactation, vol. 22. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.

Many of the PRN’s members are contributing to the book titled *Women’s Health Across the Lifespan: A Pharmacotherapeutic Approach*. **Borgelt LB, O’Connell MB, Smith JA, Calis KA, eds.** In press.

Congratulations to you all!

The PRN would like to thank the outgoing PRN officers for all of their time and help this year: **Shareen El-Ibiary, Pharm.D., BCPS, Chair; “Annie” Kai I. Cheang, Pharm.D., M.Sc., BCPS, Chair-Elect; Alicia Forinash, Pharm.D., BCPS, Secretary/Treasurer; and Jennifer**

McIntosh, Pharm.D., MHS, Public Policy Liaison. The PRN would also like to welcome the new incoming officers: **“Annie” Kai I. Cheang, Pharm.D., M.Sc., BCPS, Chair; Alicia Forinash, Pharm.D., BCPS, Chair-Elect; Katie McClendon, Pharm.D., BCPS, Secretary/Treasurer; and Sally Rafie, Pharm.D., Public Policy Liaison.** The Women’s Health PRN looks forward to seeing all of its members at the 2009 ACCP Annual Meeting in Anaheim!

ACCP Research Institute Update



As the ACCP Annual Meeting approaches, the Research Institute would like to share with you some new information.

The ACCP PBRN continues to grow since its launch in February 2009, with more than 600 members to date, including members who joined through existing PBRNs and whose data are not shown below. Each of you is encouraged to join!

ACCP PBRN Members	PRN Code	PRN Name (Date 9/2/09)
50	AMED	Adult Medicine
80	AMBU	Ambulatory Care
59	CARD	Cardiology
9	CNSY	Central Nervous System
18	CADM	Clinical Administration
76	CRIT	Critical Care
9	DINF	Drug Information
35	EDTR	Education and Training
10	EMED	Emergency Medicine
17	ENDO	Endocrine and Metabolism
15	GERI	Geriatrics
15	GILN	GI/Liver/Nutrition PRN
6	OCEC	Health Outcomes
32	HMON	Hematology/Oncology
24	IMTR	Immunology/Transplantation
65	INFD	Infectious Diseases
16	NEPH	Nephrology
18	PAIN	Pain and Palliative Care
33	PEDI	Pediatrics
4	INDU	Pharmaceutical Industry
9	PKPD	Pharmacokinetics/ Pharmacodynamics
11	WOMN	Women’s Health

If you are new to PBRN research, you will find FAQs and specific information regarding the mission, vision, and features unique to the ACCP PBRN at <http://www.accpri.org/pbrn/whyJoin.aspx>. Remember, no research experience is necessary to join the ACCP PBRN.

The financial support needed to operate a PBRN is substantial. Although cost estimates vary based on the structure and complexity of each PBRN, the ACCP PBRN infrastructure is estimated to cost more than \$180,000 in 2010 alone. This is similar to other PBRNs across the country and does not take into account study-specific costs.

The Research Institute requires your financial support to bring the ACCP PBRN forward. If every current ACCP PBRN member donated \$100, \$60,000 could easily be raised.

The ACCP PBRN plans to launch its first project soon, but there is still time to join. With the Cerner software donation (see story in the September 2009 *ACCP Report*), the ACCP PBRN is well suited to meet the demands of a large network. The first project is expected to roll out later this year. This project, which will be relevant to all members of the ACCP PBRN, will involve medication safety. Watch the *ACCP Report* for more details.

If you are attending the 2009 Annual Meeting in Anaheim, plan to join the Research Institute on Monday, October 19, 2009, at 11:30 a.m. in Hall A, where the Institute will have a live software demonstration during the “Get Plugged In” event. Come learn more about the programs and services of the Research Institute while you enjoy lunch. For additional information, check the *ACCP Report*.

To facilitate information exchange across the PRNs, the ACCP PBRN created a 5-minute informational video, which it will share with each PRN before the Anaheim meeting. Soon, the ACCP PBRN will post more information about the video on the ACCP Research Institute Web site.

Did you submit a challenge grant proposal last year that did not receive funding? Bring it to the Focused Investigator Training (FIT) Program. There, NIH-funded experts will analyze, dissect, chew on, think about, rehash, and then help you rebuild your proposal during the course of 1 week.

The FIT Program will be held June 11–17, 2010, at the University of Arizona College of Pharmacy in Tucson. The FIT Program is an annual, intensive, 1-week, hands-on program for experienced investigators who have not yet been awarded significant peer-reviewed extramural funding as a principal investigator. Through this mentored program, research-track faculty will take necessary steps toward preparing a K, R, or similar investigator-initiated application for submission to the NIH or other major funding source. Online applications open January 1, 2010.

The Research Institute is pleased to report that two FIT attendees have already received federal grants, and several others are pending. This program works! (See *ACCP Report*, August 2009.)

The Research Institute thanks the HMON, INFD, AMED, and CRIT PRNs for offering tuition scholarships to 2009 FIT attendees and encourages all PRNs to consider this professional development opportunity for its members.

Last, but certainly not least, the Research Institute relies heavily on the steadfast support of ACCP members. Help the Research Institute “Go Forward” by making a personal contribution in 2009 to the Frontiers Fund. Online donations can be made at <http://www.accpri.org>.



Thank you.

Advocacy Update

Health Care Reform Fall Overview – What We Learned Over the Summer

On Tuesday, September 8, Congress returned to Washington after the August recess (or [summer district work period](#), to use the official name for this period on the congressional calendar).

When Congress adjourned last July, it was with a sense of cautious accomplishment. Despite failing to meet the President’s target of passing health care reform legislation before August, four of the five relevant congressional committees had produced legislation that should eventually be considered on the floor of the appropriate chamber.

The House Energy and Commerce Committee, in particular, was widely praised for returning from the brink of a complete breakdown in negotiations to find middle ground that appeased the fiscally conservative [blue dog coalition](#).

However, the summer recess took its toll on public and congressional support for the contentious health care overhaul.

Rational debate at Town Hall meetings was pushed to the sidelines as ideologues from the fringes of both political parties dominated proceedings. Specific details about the reform proposals were lost amid fears about socialized medicine and “death panels.”

Indeed, the ill feelings even spilled over onto the floor of the House chamber itself, when Congressman Wilson (R-SC) infamously shouted, “You lie!” at the President as he addressed a joint session of Congress.

Protecting the Strengths of Our System

Amid all the outrage, the need to reform our health care system remains as urgent as ever.

Simply put, U.S. health care spending currently accounts for more than 15% of the national gross domestic product (GDP), 40 million Americans remain uninsured, and the unfunded liabilities of Medicare and Medicaid threaten to overwhelm state and federal budgets. Few would argue that the status quo is sustainable over time.

Despite the well-documented flaws in our system, there is much to protect and enhance within the U.S. health delivery system. The United States leads the world in cancer survival rates, for example,¹ and our system does not have the same problems with waiting lists and rationing as are inherent in other systems.²

The direction in which this reform effort should lead us as a nation is the great, unresolved issue. The country remains ideologically divided over the future role of the federal government in delivering health care, the cost of the controversial public plan option, and the potential impact of health care reform on the long-term viability of the private, employer-sponsored health insurance market.

1. *Daily Telegraph* article. UK cancer survival rate lowest in Europe. Available at <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/uknews/1560849/UK-cancer-survival-rate-lowest-in-Europe.html>. Accessed September 10, 2009.

2. UK NHS provider-based hospital waiting list statistics, quarter 2 2008/09. Available at <http://www.performance.doh.gov.uk/waitingtimes/2008/q2/MMRPROVIN%20summary.xls>. Accessed September 10, 2009.

Comparisons with 1993

Comparisons of President Obama's campaign to reform health care with President Clinton's failed effort are perhaps inevitable. In both cases, young, inspirational leaders made the issue a centerpiece of their election campaign and pushed hard for reform from the outset of their presidency.



However, President Clinton, on the one hand, was criticized for showing too much leadership on the issue – trying to force his proposal through a reluctant Congress and tasking the always-controversial then–First Lady Hillary Clinton with selling the plan to a skeptical public.

President Obama, on the other hand, ironically has received criticism of late for his failure to show leadership on the issue; his hands-off approach has received comment, leaving the committees in Congress and the congressional leadership to develop legislation. Indeed, the President hoped to avoid overly politicizing this lightning rod issue. However, as the summer progressed and the rhetoric in the media from proponents and opponents alike became more and more frenzied, the President came under fire for his lack of leadership and for letting the issue become defined by extremists.

Obama's speech on September 9 demonstrated that the White House is attempting to regain some of its leadership and credibility on the issue, better defining its own vision for reform.

Progress So Far

Given the controversy surrounding this issue and the extent to which health care and the economy are intrinsically linked, the progress made in the first 6 months of the 111th Congress is remarkable.

Legislatively, the health care reform process is complicated by the cross-jurisdictional nature of the issue itself. Two committees in the U.S. Senate – the [Health, Education, Labor and Pensions \(H.E.L.P.\) Committee](#) and the [Finance Committee](#) – have oversight on portions of the reform process and have each drafted legislative language. On the House side, three committees – [Energy and Commerce](#), [Ways and Means](#), and [Education and Labor](#) – share responsibility.

Committee Update

- At press time, the Senate HELP Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, House Energy and Commerce Committee, and House Education and Labor Committee had each approved separate pieces of legislation, which will eventually be considered on the floor of the appropriate chamber.
- The hugely influential Senate Finance Committee, which controls all health programs under the Social Security Act and health programs financed by a specific tax or trust fund, was an early leader in releasing discussion documents and legislative talking points. However, this committee has reached an impasse in negotiations and has not held hearings on the issue since May, when it attempted to “mark up” legislation in committee.

What Does It Mean for Clinical Pharmacy?

Many ACCP members are aware that the College's top legislative priority has been to secure coverage for clinical pharmacy services under Part B of the Medicare program. As the 111th Congress got under way, it became increasingly clear from our lobbying efforts that the old model of fee-for-service payments in Medicare was increasingly out of favor as a reimbursement method.

In addition, the proposed expansion of the public role in providing health care beyond the existing Medicare and Medicaid programs meant it was important to broaden and simplify our proposal to ensure the inclusion of pharmacists' services in whatever new health delivery models were developed in this process.

Of all the legislation in circulation, the [Senate HELP legislation](#) would provide the most comprehensive coverage for pharmacists' services:

- **Section 212** of the HELP bill would provide grants to establish community-based multidisciplinary, interprofessional teams, including pharmacists (referred to as “health teams”) to support primary care practices within the hospital service areas served by the eligible entities. This approach is popularly known as the “medical home model.”
- **Section 213** of the HELP bill would establish grant programs to expand opportunities for pharmacists to deliver medication therapy management (MTM) services through local, community-based, multidisciplinary health teams to patients who suffer from chronic diseases such as heart disease, cancer, and diabetes.

These two sections were also included in the final House Energy and Commerce legislation after Rep. Butterfield (D-NC) introduced an amendment late in the final mark-up process that ensured their inclusion.

Fifteen national pharmacy organizations formally endorsed this language and applauded the recognition of the value of MTM services delivered by pharmacists and the inclusion of clinical pharmacists in the medical home model.

A formal press release was sent by the pharmacy community, expressing its support for these sections, and letters were sent to leaders on the HELP Committee, thanking them for their leadership on this issue.

Legislation passed by the House Ways and Means and Education and Labor Committees includes coverage for MTM services and discussion around the medical home model, but stops short of specifically referencing pharmacists.

Advocacy Outlook for Clinical Pharmacy

Assuming that some form of the health care overhaul proceeds as planned and the entire effort is not derailed by partisan or ideological stalemate, the outlook for clinical pharmacy can be described as cautiously optimistic.

The provisions endorsed by ACCP represent just a tiny fraction of the overall bill and, compared with many of the controversial aspects of this debate, would be considered by most casual observers logical and appropriate. The provisions do not carry a significant price tag – in fact, some indicators suggest they would be budget-neutral because the MTM grant programs could pay for themselves through savings.

In addition, ACCP has been active in working with a variety of coalitions and provider groups to gain support

for the inclusion of pharmacists as part of an integrated, interdisciplinary team and to participate in efforts to manage health care through the concept known as the medical home model. Although we are a long way from declaring victory in this endeavor, it is clear that our advocacy efforts are gaining traction, and the feedback from other provider groups and stakeholders has been positive.

How You Can Get Involved – ACCP Advocacy Resources

The inclusion of coverage for clinical pharmacists' services in the health reform legislation represents an important early step forward. Now, Congress needs to hear directly from the pharmacy community how important these provisions are in helping ensure a safer, more rational, and cost-effective approach to medication use.

All ACCP members are strongly encouraged not only to contact members of Congress themselves, but also to encourage friends and colleagues within the pharmacy community to take action.

As an introduction to grassroots advocacy, please visit ACCP's "Legislative Action Center" (<http://capwiz.com/accp/home/>), an online tool that allows you to access information on your elected officials and contact them directly by e-mail.

By simply entering your zip code, you can send letters, by e-mail, to your federal elected officials. In addition, you can use the site to contact media outlets in your area or to communicate with federal agencies or the administration.

You can also use the tool to access the names of key congressional staffers in each office and committee, member committee assignments, biographical and background information on each elected official, fundraising data, PAC contributions, and much more.

Invite your legislators to tour your practice setting.

Perhaps the single greatest challenge facing the pharmacy community in Washington is the enduring perception that pharmacists are drug dispensers who play no role in patient care.

The single most effective step that an ACCP member can take to help members of Congress understand the differences between traditional retail pharmacy and the patient care services provided by a clinical pharmacy is to invite members to tour a practice setting and see firsthand what clinical pharmacy is all about.

ACCP has prepared a guide to help you reach out to members of Congress and schedule a visit. We have even drafted a letter you can send directly from the Legislative Action Center, inviting your federal officials to tour your facility. [Click here](#) to visit the site and send a letter yourself.

Please make sure to secure the necessary approval from your organization before requesting that members of Congress tour your practice setting. Please work closely with ACCP staff in Washington to ensure that your practice tour is as effective as possible. We can help you prepare for the event and follow up on it for maximum impact.

For more information on grassroots advocacy or the health care reform process, please contact John McGlew at (202) 756-2227 or jmcglew@accp.com.

ACCP Student Initiatives Update

Student Travel Awards Program

In 2006, ACCP initiated the ACCP Student Travel Awards Program to support and encourage student attendance at ACCP national meetings and expand opportunities for students throughout the organization. To date, ACCP has awarded more than \$25,000 in travel stipends and complimentary meeting registrations.

ACCP thanks the many PRNs that have donated funds in support of the ACCP Student Travel Awards Program:

- Adult Medicine
- Ambulatory Care
- Cardiology
- Clinical Administration
- Critical Care
- Education and Training
- Endocrine and Metabolism
- Geriatrics
- Infectious Diseases
- Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics

Please encourage students at your institutions to attend an ACCP national meeting and apply for a Student Travel Award. For more information on the program, please visit <http://www.accp.com/stunet/award.aspx>.

ACCP's Popular Online Student Curriculum Vitae Review Program Returns

ACCP's innovative Online Curriculum Vitae Review Service is accepting submissions. This program, now in its third year, is an exclusive service offered to student members as a means of facilitating their curriculum vitae (CV) preparation.

As the clinical pharmacy profession continues to see an increase in demand for internship experiences, residency positions, and competition for first-rate jobs, it is vital that students have a well-written CV. An effective CV can provide a positive image for future selection committees or employers, and it distinguishes an individual from the crowd.

Now through April 2, 2010, student members may submit their CV online as a Microsoft Word document and have the document randomly assigned to a volunteer ACCP member reviewer. The ACCP reviewer will provide his/her comments and suggested edits using the track changes feature in Microsoft Word. Students will receive an e-mail containing feedback from the reviewer within 14 business days.

Students are also encouraged to take advantage of ACCP's other Web-based resources. Students can download a presentation on CV writing, view sample student CVs, and access valuable "curriculum vitae pearls," which provide practical insights in developing a CV. These services and other resources are accessible from the student section of the ACCP Web site at <http://www.accp.com/stunet/index.aspx>. For questions about the ACCP CV Review Service, contact Michelle Kucera, Pharm.D., BCPS, at mkucera@accp.com.

2009–2010 ACCP National StuNet Advisory Committee Members Appointed

Earlier this year, ACCP issued a call for applications to student members interested in serving on the National StuNet Advisory Committee. The College received applications from students across the country. After a review of their applications, ACCP president-elect, James Tisdale, selected student members for appointment.

ACCP is pleased to announce the appointment of the following student members to the 2008–2009 ACCP National StuNet Advisory Committee.

Position	Student	College of Pharmacy
Chair	Alexandra Barnette	University of Tennessee
Vice Chair	Stephanie Seaton	St. Louis College of Pharmacy
Secretary	Kelly Martin	University of Maryland
Members-at-Large	Angela Bingham	South Carolina College of Pharmacy-USC Campus
	Alexander Flannery	University of Kentucky
	Kathleen Morneau	University of Maryland
	Amie Nguyen	University of California–San Diego
	Stephanie Weightman	University of Houston
	Christine Bang	University of California–San Francisco
	Kelly Daniels	University of Texas
	Jessica Gresham	Auburn University

The committee will meet at the upcoming 2009 Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California, this fall and at the 2010 Spring Practice and Research Forum in Charlotte, North Carolina.

The newly impaneled committee will serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Regents and the College's membership staff to develop and update student programs and initiatives consistent with ACCP's vision for the future of clinical pharmacy practice. Please join the College in congratulating these ACCP student members on their recent appointment.

New Online Clinical Pharmacy Resource for Students

Created by the 2008–2009 National Student Advisory Committee, the ACCP Student Clinical Compass is designed to provide pharmacy students an overview of the profession and strategies to help them prepare for a career in clinical pharmacy. This unique Web-based resource will help students understand the many career paths available to clinical pharmacists and will provide resources to help foster professional development.

Encourage students at your institution to use this Clinical Compass throughout their pharmacy education to access information about career opportunities, clinical training pathways, pharmacy organizations, curriculum vitae preparation, and interviewing tips, as well as other helpful pharmacy references and electronic tools. For more information on this unique resource, visit <http://www.accp.com/stunet/compass/index.aspx>.

PRN-Developed Programming in Charlotte

Plan now to join your fellow PRN members at the 2010 ACCP Spring Practice and Research Forum. Meeting events will take place Friday, April 23, through Tuesday, April 27, in Charlotte, North Carolina. Enjoy programming developed by PRN members, including:

- Reviewing the Evidence for Antithrombotic Controversies in Medicine: Adult Medicine PRN
- What's New with Vitamin D: Ambulatory Care PRN
- Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs: Establishing Best Practices: Clinical Administration PRN and Infectious Diseases PRN
- Debates in Critical Care: Critical Care PRN
- Influencing Prescribing: The Changing Role of Direct-to-Consumer Advertising and Counterdetailing: Drug Information PRN
- Train the Trainer to Implement a National Pharmacogenomics Education Program to Bridge the Gap Between Science and Practice: Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics PRN
- Update on Hot Topics in Women's Health: Women's Health PRN

Core meeting programming includes curricular tracks in clinical practice, leadership and management, teaching and learning, and research and scholarship. Check out the [ACCP Web site](#) this fall for complete information on the Spring Practice and Research Forum. See you in Charlotte!

Current PRN Membership

PRN	Members as of 8/31/09
Ambulatory Care	1108
Adult Medicine	783
Clinical Administration	231
Cardiology	798
Central Nervous System	160
Critical Care	1250
Drug Information	205
Education and Training	273
Emergency Medicine	179
Endocrine and Metabolism	166
Geriatrics	200
GI/Liver/Nutrition	153
Health Outcomes	152
Hematology/Oncology	505
Immunology/Transplantation	246
Infectious Diseases	1177
Nephrology	184
Pediatrics	460
Pharmaceutical Industry	253
Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics	149
Women's Health	142
Total PRN Membership	8774

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