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*The ASHP Research and Education Foundation strives to improve the health and well-being of patients in hospitals and health systems through appropriate, safe and effective medication use. It provides leadership and conducts education and*

## **Barnes-Jewish Hospital Is Winner of 2007 Award for Excellence in Medication-Use Safety**

The ASHP Foundation is pleased to announce that Barnes-Jewish Hospital is the 2007 recipient of the Award for Excellence in Medication-Use Safety! The \$50,000 award, which is sponsored by the Cardinal Health Foundation, honors a pharmacist-led multidisciplinary team for its significant institution-wide system improvements relating to medication use. Two finalists have also been named. [Visit our Web site for information about this year's recipients and their winning initiatives!](#)

## **Request for Proposals Issued for Demonstrating Pharmacists' Value: A Systematic Evidence Review**

The ASHP Foundation has announced a Request for Proposals for Demonstrating Pharmacists' Value: A Systematic Evidence Review. This systematic review is sponsored by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) and the ASHP Foundation and is administered by the ASHP Foundation. The two organizations are interested in an assessment of the current evidence of the value of pharmacist-provided patient care services in the United States, particularly as that evidence applies to the interests and perspectives of health policy makers, third-party payers, executives in health care provider organizations and pharmacy practice leaders. A \$65,000 grant will be awarded for development of this systematic review. The deadline to submit proposals is February 15, 2008. [To download an application and instructions, visit the ASHP Foundation's online Research Resource Center.](#)

## **Be the Best Researcher You Can Be: Apply to the Research Boot Camp**

We're looking for a few good researchers! The ASHP Foundation's Research Boot Camp, which is sponsored by TAP Pharmaceutical Products, Inc., and Amgen, Inc., is a research skills development program composed of distance education, on-site, and research conduct components. Nine new pharmacist researchers will have an opportunity to participate in a comprehensive distance education and experiential program. Applicants for this program need to demonstrate motivation to acquire research skills to conduct rigorous practice-based research, and include an initial research idea in the application. [The deadline to apply is January 4, 2008.](#) [For more information, visit our Web site.](#)

## **Student Leadership Awards Applications Available**

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2007-2008 ASHP Student Leadership Awards, which are supported in part by the ASHP Foundation's Walter Jones Memorial Pharmacy Student Financial Aid Fund. The awards recognize students with an interest in health-system pharmacy practice who have demonstrated leadership ability. ASHP offers 12 awards annually, 4 to student members in each professional year of pharmacy school, beginning with the second professional year. The deadline to apply is January 30, 2008. [For more information about the awards and the Walter Jones Fund, click here.](#)

## **Applications Available for Junior Investigator Research Grant**

The ASHP Foundation is accepting applications to the Junior Investigator Research Grant Program. This grant program supports health services research in medication use that is conducted by pharmacist junior investigators. Health services research affects a wide range of medication-use topics, including patient education; patient outcomes and effectiveness of

*research activities that foster the coordination of interdisciplinary medication management leading to optimal patient outcomes. The Foundation places an emphasis on programs that will have a major impact on advancing pharmacy practice in hospitals and health systems, ultimately improving public health.*

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medication therapy; health care quality; medication use in minority, elderly and other special populations; medication costs and financing; information for health care policymakers; and access to medications. Two \$20,000 grants are available. The deadline to submit applications is February 1, 2008. [Applications and other information about this program can be found on our Web site.](#)

### **Pharmacy Leadership Institute Applications Available Now**

The ASHP Foundation is now accepting applications to the Pharmacy Leadership Institute! Formerly an ASHP program, the Institute is sponsored by the Cardinal Health Foundation and will now be administered by the ASHP Foundation's Center for Health-System Pharmacy Leadership. A group of 25 pharmacists will be selected to enhance their business and management skills required to run today's complex pharmacy enterprise. The Institute will be hosted by Boston University's Executive Leadership Center from April 27-May 2, 2008. The deadline to apply is February 8, 2008. [For details, please visit our Web site.](#)

### **Hospital Pharmacist-Hospitalist Research Grant Now Accepting Applications**

The ASHP Foundation's Hospital Pharmacist-Hospitalist Collaboration: Improving Glycemic Control in Hospitalized Patients program supports practice model evaluations that study multidisciplinary initiatives between hospital pharmacists and hospitalists to improve glycemic control in hospitalized patients. The program, which is sponsored by sanofi-aventis, is offering two \$50,000 grants. The deadline to submit completed applications is March 3, 2008. [More information and applications can be found on the ASHP Foundation's Web site.](#)

### **Critical Care Traineeship Now Accepting Applications**

The ASHP Foundation is now accepting applications for the Critical Care Traineeship. Sponsored by Scios, Inc., this program is designed for pharmacists in acute settings who are providing specialized services for critically ill patients. The traineeship prepares participants, who have little experience in providing pharmaceutical care to critically ill patients, to design patient-specific pharmacotherapy; solve drug therapy problems; and develop protocols, policies, and procedures for the treatment of such patients. The deadline to apply is March 15, 2008. [For details and to download an application, visit the Foundation's Web site.](#)

### **Medication Safety Team Grant Applications Now Available**

The ASHP Foundation's Medication Safety Team Grant Program is now accepting applications. The program, which is sponsored by Omnicell, Inc., supports research related to the use of barcode scanning technology at the point of medication administration to enhance the safe use of medications. This grant program will be available to research teams composed of a combination of pharmacists, physicians, nurses and informatics experts. The research teams must include a pharmacist as a co-principal investigator. The proposed research must involve the use of barcode scanning technology at the point of medication administration. Two \$40,000 grants will be awarded. The deadline to submit completed applications is April 1, 2008. [For more information and to download an application, please visit the ASHP Foundation's Web site.](#)

### **Please Give to the ASHP Foundation During the Holidays!**

The Hospira Foundation is once again sponsoring the ASHP Foundation's Donor Matching Program – and it's happening right now! This is the best time of year for you to support the Foundation, because for every dollar that you give, the Hospira Foundation will match it! Your donation is doubled, and you receive a tax deduction for your holiday gift! The Donor Matching Program will continue through December 31, 2007 – [just complete a donation form](#) and mail or fax it to the ASHP Foundation!

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