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Deadline Approaching to Apply to Student Leadership Awards

The deadline to apply to 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, is January 30, 2008. 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. [For more information about the awards and the Walter Jones Fund, click here.](#)

Apply for Junior Investigator Research Grant by February 1st

The ASHP Foundation is accepting applications to the Junior Investigator Research Grant Program. This grant program, sponsored by the Joseph A. Oddis Endowment, 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 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 Accepting Applications Until February 8th

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.](#)

Proposals for Demonstrating Pharmacists' Value: A Systematic Evidence Review Due February 15th

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.](#)

Critical Care Traineeship Now Accepting Applications

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 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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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.](#)

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.](#)

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.](#)

Pain Management Traineeship Now Accepting Applications

The ASHP Foundation is now accepting applications for its Pain Management Traineeship. The program, which is sponsored by Endo Pharmaceuticals, Inc., is a 10-day experiential program designed for pharmacists in acute care settings who are providing specialized services for patients in pain. The traineeship prepares participants to design patient-specific pharmacotherapy; solve drug therapy problems; and develop protocols, policies, and procedures for the treatment of such patients. Importantly, the traineeship will also strengthen pharmacists' ability to help their institutions meet pain assessment and management standards issued by The Joint Commission. Applications must be received by March 26, 2008. [For applications and instructions, visit our Web site.](#)

Nominate Outstanding Contributions to Pharmacy Practice Literature

The ASHP Foundation's Literature Awards Program recognizes important contributions to the literature of pharmacy practice in hospitals and health systems – and you can nominate the articles – or in the case of the Award for Sustained Contributions to the Literature of Pharmacy Practice, the individuals – you feel have had the biggest impact on your profession. Awards are given for research and writing that foster improvements in the medication-use process, pioneer new uses of technology and pharmacy personnel and promote the pharmacist's role in patient care. [To participate, visit the Foundation web site for more information on how to submit a nomination form.](#) The deadline is June 1, 2008.

[View the 2007 Award for Excellence in Medication-Use Safety Video!](#)

Last month, the ASHP Foundation announced the winner and finalists of the 2007 Award for Excellence in Medication-Use Safety. Now, you can see a video presentation of these organizations' winning initiatives. [Click here to see the video now!](#)

ASHP Foundation Announces New Trainees

The ASHP Foundation has selected trainees for two of our traineeships. Fourteen trainees will participate in the Antithrombotic Pharmacotherapy Traineeship, learning to establish and maintain specialized services for the management of patients' antithrombotic therapy. Eight trainees were selected for participation in the Oncology Patient Care Traineeship, which will prepare them to offer improved care to patients with cancer. [Click here](#) for information about the Antithrombotic Pharmacotherapy trainees. [Click here](#) for details about the Oncology Patient Care trainees.

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