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Fostering safe and effective medication use

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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 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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Apply by May 16th for 2008 Award for Excellence in Medication-Use Safety

Applications for the ASHP Foundation's 2008 Award for Excellence in Medication-Use Safety are now being accepted. Supported by the Cardinal Health Foundation, this \$50,000 award recognizes hospitals and health systems for outstanding medication-use safety initiatives, made voluntarily through a pharmacist-led multidisciplinary team. [Visit the Foundation's Web site for applications and detailed instructions.](#) The deadline to apply is May 16, 2008.

Nominate Outstanding Contributions to Pharmacy Practice Literature

The ASHP Foundation's Literature Awards Program recognizes important contributions to the literature of pharmacy practice, therapeutic efficacy and drug safety in hospitals and health systems – and you can nominate the articles or 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 2, 2008.

Applications Available for Pharmacy Residency Excellence Awards

Applications are now available for the 2008 Pharmacy Residency Excellence Awards. The program, supported by Amgen, Inc., honors excellence and leadership in the training and mentoring of pharmacy residents. Three awards are offered – the Preceptor Award, New Preceptor Award, and Program Award. These awards recognize the achievements of residency programs and practitioners who have demonstrated excellence and leadership in the training of pharmacy residents. The deadline for applications is July 1, 2008. [For more information and to download an application, visit the Pharmacy Residency Excellence Awards Web page.](#)

Applications Now Available for Pharmacy Resident Practice-Based Research Grant

The ASHP Foundation is now accepting applications for its 2008 Pharmacy Resident Practice-Based Research Grant. This grant supports practice-based research in medication use conducted by residents in ASHP-accredited pharmacy residency programs and residents in pharmacy residency programs that have submitted an application for ASHP accreditation. Practice-based 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. The application deadline is October 31, 2008. [Details and applications can be found on our Web site.](#)

2009 Pharmacy Leadership Academy Accepting Applications May 14th-August 6th!

Applications for the Center for Health System Pharmacy Leadership's 2009 Pharmacy Leadership Academy will be available on May 14th. The academy will offer a series of robust distance-learning courses designed to enhance the leadership and management of skills of current and aspiring pharmacy leaders. The deadline to apply is August 6, 2008. [For details about the academy, the modules offered, and the faculty, visit the Foundation's Web site.](#)

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