

ASHP Foundation

American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Research and Education Foundation



Contact Information

7272 Wisconsin Avenue
Bethesda, MD 20814
(301) 664-8612
(301) 634-5712 (fax)
foundation@ashp.org
www.ashpfoundation.org

Status

Nonprofit, 501(c) (3)

Established

1968

Annual Budget

Approximately \$2.2 million

Focus

Research, education and awards programs that foster the safe and effective use of medications for patients receiving care in hospitals, health maintenance organizations, long-term care facilities, home care settings and other components of health-care systems.

Staff

Stephen J. Allen
Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer

Daniel J. Cobaugh
Senior Director for Research and Operations

Bethany L. Coulter
Director of Communications and Donor Relations

Cynthia L. LaCivita
Director of Education and Special Programs

Myrna J. Petersen
Director of Development

Richard S. Walling
Director, Center for Health-System Pharmacy Leadership

Jennifer L. Perrell
Program Coordinator

Claire E. Wilshire
Administrative Coordinator

Vision:

Patients receiving medication therapy in our nation's hospitals and health systems will receive care in a safe and efficient manner, leading to optimal medication outcomes.

Mission:

To improve the health and well-being of patients in hospitals and health systems through appropriate, safe and effective medication use. The Foundation provides leadership and conducts education and research activities that foster the coordination of interdisciplinary medication management leading to optimal patient outcomes. Emphasis is given to programs that will have a major impact on advancing pharmacy practice in hospitals and health systems, thereby improving public health.

Strategic Priorities:

- Design and study of safe and effective medication-use systems
- Advancement of optimal patient medication outcomes
- Expansion of pharmacists' direct patient care and leadership roles

The ASHP Foundation Benefits Health-System Pharmacists By:

- Providing continuing educational opportunities through traineeships, which provide pharmacists with the knowledge to care for special patient populations, such as those with diabetes or cancer, and to implement drug therapies and protocols in their institutions.
- Supporting practitioners' interest in launching a research career through educational sessions on basic research skills offered at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, the new Research Boot Camp, three grant programs geared toward junior investigators, a workshop focused on developing research proposals, residency research tips distributed by e-mail, and a Web-based research resource center.
- Encouraging collaborative research projects with other disciplines through research grant programs designed for hospital pharmacist-hospitalist teams and teams composed of pharmacists, physicians, nurses and informatics experts.
- Offering valuable resource materials to assist pharmacists such as *Incorporating Safe Medication Principles into Daily Practice: Teaching Tool for Healthcare Practitioners, Disaster and Terrorism Response: Emergency Preparedness Tools for Pharmacists and Health-System Pharmacy Departments, Conducting Quality Practice Research: Support to Complete Your Project in One Year*, and the new *Pandemic Influenza Assessment Tool for Health-System Pharmacy Departments*TM.
- Offering the Pharmacy Leadership Academy and Pharmacy Leadership Institute through the Center for Health-System Pharmacy Leadership to enhance the effectiveness of pharmacy leaders in developing, managing and continuously improving the medication-use process to improve the health and well-being of patients and communities. This is a joint collaboration with ASHP.

Giving Opportunities:

The ASHP Foundation encourages contributions from health-system pharmacists interested in improving medication-use safety and advancing health-system pharmacy practice.