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### **ASHP Foundation Announces 2008-2009 Oncology Traineeship Participants**

BETHESDA, Md. (January 21, 2009) — The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Research and Education Foundation has selected six outstanding pharmacists to complete its 2008-2009 Oncology Patient Care Traineeship.

This traineeship, one of several targeted educational programs offered by the ASHP Foundation, is a 10-day, experience-based certificate program designed to train pharmacy practitioners to establish and maintain specialized services for the management of patients with cancer. Supported by an educational donation from Amgen, Inc., the traineeship is intended to provide individualized, intensive self-study, didactic and clinical training for selected candidates.

“The Oncology Patient Care Traineeship provides a unique opportunity for advanced training focused in the management of patients with cancer,” states Julia M. Hammond, Pharm.D., BCOP, Oncology Clinical Coordinator at Duke University Hospital in Durham, NC, and a traineeship faculty member. “The self-study program is a challenging but condensed overview of these care issues, while the experiential program allows the trainees to work with established practitioners applying this knowledge within their own programs. Whether the participant is starting a new position or establishing a new program in their current institution, this in-depth training prepares them to provide comprehensive clinical care.”

The 2008 trainees, specified by site and faculty member, are:

***Duke University Medical Center  
Durham, North Carolina  
Faculty: Julia Hammond, Pharm.D.***

John T. Chapman, B.S.Pharm.  
Clinical Oncology Pharmacist  
Federal Medical Center  
Butner, NC

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Janelle L. Maland, Pharm.D.  
Clinical Pharmacist  
Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans Hospital  
Columbia, MO

***The Johns Hopkins Hospital  
Baltimore, Maryland  
Faculty: Lauren Decloe, Pharm.D., and Rowena Schwartz, Pharm.D.***

Tiffany O. Dea, B.S., Pharm.D.  
Oncology Pharmacist  
Veterans Affairs Medical Center San Francisco  
San Francisco, CA

Joseph P. Weber, Pharm.D.  
Pharmacy Coordinator  
Sanford Cancer Center  
Sioux Falls, SD

***University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center  
Houston, Texas  
Faculty: Debbie Blamble, Pharm.D., and Judy Chase, Pharm.D.***

Diana Kostoff, B.S., Pharm.D.  
Ambulatory Hematology/Oncology Clinical Pharmacist  
Henry Ford Hospital  
Detroit, MI

***University of Washington Medical Center  
Seattle, Washington  
Faculty: Ann Poon, Pharm.D.***

Eileen C. Hamilton, Pharm.D.  
Oncology Clinical Pharmacist  
Wenatchee Valley Medical Center  
Wenatchee, WA

*The ASHP Research and Education Foundation was established in 1968 by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists as a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization. The mission of the Foundation is 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.*

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