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ASHP Foundation Launches Online Whitney Award Lecture Collection

BETHESDA, Md. (February 26, 2009) — The ASHP Foundation has launched a new Web site that houses the Harvey A.K. Whitney Award Lecture Collection, expanding the ability of all individuals to access the wealth of knowledge shared by past Whitney awardees.

The Whitney Award is one of the most prestigious awards within the profession of health-system pharmacy. Each year, the ASHP Foundation offers a compilation of all lectures from 1950 through the present day to residents participating in ASHP-accredited residency programs. The lectures represent more than 50 years of excellence in hospital and health-system pharmacy practice, providing a unique glimpse into our collective past, a commentary on the present, and an outline of the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. In the past, the collection was in book or CD-ROM format.

“Our goal in moving to a Web-based format was to make this historic collection of lectures from the profession’s most influential leaders more readily accessible,” said Stephen J. Allen, ASHP Foundation Executive Vice President and CEO. “The Foundation works closely with residency program directors to encourage residents’ review of select lectures as part of their understanding of the influence of leadership in pharmacy practice. It is imperative that young practitioners have an appreciation for the leadership of those who have paved the way for today’s cutting-edge pharmacy practice. The lecture collection can spark personal, professional goals for the next generation of health-system pharmacy leaders.”

The Whitney Award Lectures Collection Web site provides access to 57 lectures that can be browsed by title, author, publication date or keyword. Each lecture has a dedicated Web page containing the awardee’s biography, photograph, the lecture and a PDF version that can be downloaded.

To access the Harvey A. K. Whitney Award Lectures Collection Web Site, visit www.harveywhitney.org.

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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