



ASHP Foundation News Release

ASHP Foundation Awards Research Grants to Four Pharmacy Residents

BETHESDA, Md. (May 18, 2010) — The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Research and Education Foundation is pleased to announce the 2009-2010 recipients of the Pharmacy Resident Practice-Based Research Grant Program.

This program, which is supported by the ASHP Foundation, encourages practice-based research in medication use that is conducted by residents in ASHP-accredited pharmacy residency. 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.

A secondary goal of the program is to develop pharmacy residents' research skills while fostering development of mentoring relationships with more experienced senior investigators.

"I was excited by the large number of pharmacy residents that submitted an application for the 2009-2010 practice-based research grant program," said selection panel member Margie E. Snyder, Pharm.D., M.P.H., Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice, and Co-Director, Center for Medication Safety Advancement, School of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences, Purdue University, Indianapolis, Indiana. "Residency research projects are a wonderful opportunity for pharmacists to develop research skills while still in training, including skills in grantsmanship. As a member of the pharmacy resident grant review panel for the past few years, it has been very exciting to see so many applications submitted that successfully portray an interesting and important practice-based research project through an effective approach to grant-writing."

The 2009-2010 recipients, each of whom received a \$5,000 grant, are:

Characterization of Utilization and Effectiveness of Toxicology Screening in Patients with Suspected Overdose in the Emergency Department

Pharmacy Resident Investigator: Ryan J. Attwood, Pharm.D., BS

Senior Investigator: Maria I. Rudis, Pharm.D., B.Sc.Pharm

Mayo Clinic

Rochester, Minn.

Comparison of Metoprolol Succinate Versus Carvedilol in Time to Decompensation in a Veterans Affairs Healthcare System: A Pilot Study

Pharmacy Resident Investigator: Kara M. Church, Pharm.D.

Senior Investigator: Robert Henault, R.Ph.
Boston VA Research Institute, Inc.
Boston, Mass.

Utility of Vancomycin Loading: A Pharmacokinetic Analysis in Critically Ill Patients

Pharmacy Resident Investigator: Roy T. Hendley, M.S., Pharm.D.
Senior Investigator: Jeffrey J. Bruno, Pharm.D.
The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
Houston, Texas

An Evaluation of Health Literacy Preparedness Within a Chain Community Pharmacy Environment

Pharmacy Resident Investigator: Katherine S. O'Neal, Pharm.D., M.B.A.
Senior Investigator: Kimberly M. Crosby, Pharm.D.
University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Related Resources

Abstracts of each of the research studies funded by this year's Pharmacy Residency Practice-Based Research Grant Program can be found at the ASHP Foundation's online Research Resource Center at www.ashpfoundation.org/researchabstracts.

More information about the Pharmacy Residency Practice-Based Research Grant Program can be found at www.ashpfoundation.org/residentgrant.

About the Foundation

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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