



ASHP Foundation News Release

ASHP Foundation Hosts 2011 Research Boot Camp Participants This Week *Foundation continues commitment to fostering young investigators*

BETHESDA, Md. (May 3, 2011) — The [American Society of Health-System Pharmacists \(ASHP\) Research and Education Foundation](#) will welcome seven pharmacists selected to participate in the 2011 [Research Boot Camp](#) to its national headquarters from May 4-6. The Research Boot Camp, which is sponsored by the ASHP Foundation, is a research skills development program composed of distance education, experiential and research conduct components.

The Research Boot Camp has three goals: to foster the development of pharmacists' practice-based research skills; to drive the advancement of translational research by providing clinicians with the expertise, tools and support to start a practice-based research program; and to enhance safe and effective medication use by promoting evidence-based decision making for individual patients and populations of patients.

"This program is an important component of the ASHP Foundation's strategic focus on new investigator development," says Stephen J. Allen, Foundation Executive Vice President and CEO.

During the Boot Camp, participants will develop a research idea into a well-structured research plan to be executed following completion of robust distance and experiential education components. The Boot Camp's experiential portion, taking place this week, gives the participants an opportunity to meet with three seasoned pharmacist investigators to discuss their planned research studies in depth. Participants' sponsoring institutions provide a \$5,000 research grant to individuals who successfully complete the Boot Camp to carry out their projects.

The participants selected for the 2011 Research Boot Camp are:

Tammy L. Burns, B.S., Pharm.D.
Creighton Cardiac Center
Omaha, Neb.

Ian C. Doyle, Pharm.D.
Pacific University Oregon
Hillsboro, Ore.

Lori A. Hensic, Pharm.D.
Touro University
Vallejo, Calif.

Meghan N. Jeffres, Pharm.D.
University of Southern Nevada
Henderson, Nev.

Kimberly N. Le, Pharm.D.
Texas Children's Hospital
Houston, Texas

Matthew K. Pitlick, Pharm.D.
St. Louis College of Pharmacy
St. Louis, Mo.

Jim E. Winegardner, Pharm.D.
Beaumont Hospital – Royal Oak
Royal Oak, Mich.

Related Resources

More information about the Research Boot Camp can be found at www.ashpfoundation.org/bootcamp.

About the Foundation

The [ASHP Research and Education Foundation](http://www.ashpfoundation.org) was established in 1968 by the [American Society of Health-System Pharmacists](http://www.asph.org) 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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