Nutrition Support Patient-Care Impact Program for Pharmacy Residents

Program Overview

Pharmacist Nutrition Support Patient-Care Impact Program is a distance program that is designed to develop leaders who have knowledge and skills to enhance safe and effective nutritional support needs of patients.

The program will support cohorts of up to ten pharmacy residents in PGY2 programs. All PGY2 programs are eligible. Priority consideration will be given to applicants from the following PGY2 program types: Critical Care, Geriatrics, Internal Medicine, Oncology, Pediatrics, and Transplant.

Application to the program will be made by a residency program director or a preceptor. The applicant is expected to serve as the participant’s sponsor to the program.

Participants will complete the ASHP/ASPEN Nutrition Support Certificate, develop and execute an individual project determined in consultation with their program sponsor, and participate in virtual meetings with the cohort. A recognized pharmacy leader(s) in nutrition support will engage the cohort to enhance application of certificate content through virtual meetings and provide feedback to participants on their projects.

There is no fee to participate in this program. This program is supported by an unrestricted education grant from Baxter.

About ASHP and the ASHP Foundation

ASHP is the collective voice of pharmacists who serve as patient care providers in hospitals, health systems, ambulatory clinics, and other healthcare settings spanning the full spectrum of medication use. The organization’s 60,000 members include pharmacists, student pharmacists, and pharmacy technicians. For 80 years, ASHP has been at the forefront of efforts to improve medication use and enhance patient safety.

As the philanthropic arm of ASHP, the Foundation shares ASHP’s vision that medication use will be optimal, safe, and effective for all people all of the time. The ASHP Foundation furthers ASHP’s priorities through high-impact philanthropic activities focused on change, innovation and outcomes.

Program Details

The Pharmacy Nutrition Support Patient-Care Impact Program is a distance-education and engagement program that combines independent completion of a certificate program with virtual meetings with their cohort and program facilitators. The goals of the education and engagement are to enhance application of certificate content and provide support for individual projects progress.

The program is comprised of several components:

- Access to and completion of the ASHP/ASPEN Nutrition Support Certificate. The certificate was produced in collaboration with the American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (ASPEN) and consists of twelve modules of online home study activities, providing 20 hours of continuing education.
- Five cohort virtual live meetings with the cohort and facilitator(s). Initial and final meetings focused on participants’ projects plus three meetings to include case-based presentations and discussion.
- Participant is expected to complete specific certificate modules prior to live meetings and be prepared to discuss and apply the content to cases led by the facilitator.
- Participant’s sponsor are welcome to attend the live meetings.
- Participant’s sponsor will be provided access to the certificate and are expected to meet with the participant throughout the program to support their learning and project completion.
- Individual Project: Each resident participating in the program will complete a project that will meet a residency requirement.
  - The resident’s preceptor (aka program sponsor) will submit a project idea at application.
  - Residents will work with their individual preceptor to finalize the project idea and complete the project during the program.
  - Program facilitators will provide feedback on projects throughout the program.
  - Participants will present their planned project on the kick-off call and their project results (to be recorded for posting) on the final call.
- Participants’ organizational sponsors, Baxter representatives, and other key stakeholders invited to the cohort kick-off and final presentation meetings.

### Anticipated Program Timing

- Open Application: March 1, 2024
- Application Overview Webinar: March 12, 2024 (Registration link on ASHPF website)
- Application Deadline: May 15, 2024
- Participants Selected and Contacted: Mid-June 2024
- Preceptor submits participating resident information: June 2024
- Participant/Sponsor Access to Nutritional Support Certificate: July 2024
- Virtual Engagement / Program Completion: August 2024 – May 2025
- Project Presentations: May 2025

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