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## **SAVE THE DATE:**

**2010 National Residency Preceptors Conference  
August 19-21, 2010, in Washington, DC**

Mark your calendars now! The next National Residency Preceptors Conference (NRPC) will be conducted in Washington, DC on **August 19-21, 2010**. Future issues of the Communiqué will notify you of the location. Conference registration information will be posted on our website in early 2010. First Time Ever! Opportunities will exist for both Pearl and Poster Presentations at the NRPC. Stay tuned, submission information is expected to be posted on the ASHP website in January!

## **Residency Showcase**

Booths are still available on Tuesday December 8<sup>th</sup> at this year's Midyear Clinical Meeting in Las Vegas to showcase your residency program and meet prospective residents. New this year is an interactive application on the website that allows you and interested candidates to locate your organization's name and booth number by drop down menus and by hovering over the showcase booth diagram. To apply for the showcase, go to:

<http://www.ashp.org/Midyear2009/ResidencyShowcase/ApplyforShowcase.aspx>

To see the interactive showcase booth map:

<http://fp37.a2zinc.net/clients/fpashp/2009midyear/public/fp.aspx?EventID=4&MapID=11&ContactID=0>

## **Early Commitment Deadline: December 18, 2009**

The ASHP Resident Matching Program incorporates an Early Commitment Process, whereby a position in a PGY2 program can be committed to a current PGY1 resident within the same organization in advance of the matching process. Information on this Early Commitment Process is available from the Match web site at [www.natmatch.com/ashprmp](http://www.natmatch.com/ashprmp).

## **Commission on Credentialing Meeting Highlights**

The Commission on Credentialing (COC) met at ASHP headquarters in Bethesda on August 21-23, 2009. The Commission took action on 261 programs:

	<u>New programs</u>	<u>Reaccredited</u>
PGY1 programs:	28	46
PGY1 community:	2	3
PGY1 managed care:	5	1
PGY 2 programs:	21	13
Technician Training Programs:	12	6

New residency programs, accreditation withheld	2
Residency programs, extended accreditation	101
Residency programs, conditional accreditation	1
Technician programs, extended accreditation:	23

The COC reviewed the credentials of 162 new residency program directors and 17 new technician program directors.

The next meeting of the ASHP Commission on Credentialing occurs on March 5-7, 2010. Programs surveyed for accreditation between June 1 and November 30, 2009 will be reviewed at this meeting.

## ASHP EDUCATION AND FOUNDATION

The **2009 Residency Research Tips** for residents and residency program faculty are now available. The tips are composed of practical suggestions for successful completion of pharmacy resident research. [http://www.ashpfoundation.org/MainMenuCategories/ResearchResourceCenter/FosteringYoungInvestigators/ResidencyResearchTips\\_1.aspx](http://www.ashpfoundation.org/MainMenuCategories/ResearchResourceCenter/FosteringYoungInvestigators/ResidencyResearchTips_1.aspx)

### 2009 Pharmacy Resident Practice-Based Research Grant

Applications are now available for the ASHP Foundation's 2009 Pharmacy Resident Practice-Based Research Grant. This grant supports practice-based research in medication use conducted by residents in ASHP-accredited pharmacy residency programs and residents in pharmacy residency programs that have submitted an application for ASHP accreditation. The application deadline is October 23, 2009.

<http://www.ashpfoundation.org/residentgrant>

### PHARMACY RESIDENCY EXCELLENCE AWARDS RECEPTION

Congratulate the new recipients of this year's awards to be announced at a reception in their honor on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-7:30 pm in the Veronese Ballroom, Level 2, Room 2501A.

### WHITNEY RECEPTION INVITATIONS BEING SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Directors of pharmacy and residency program directors will be receiving an invitation by email to attend the Whitney Reception to be held on Tuesday, December 8th from 5:30-6:30 pm in the Bellini Ballroom Level 3, Room 2101B. Questions about the reception can be addressed to Cynthia LaCivita at [clacivita@ashp.org](mailto:clacivita@ashp.org).

### Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties (BPS) News

The Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties (BPS) announced the accreditation of its specialty certification programs in Nuclear Medicine Pharmacy, Nutrition Support Pharmacy, Oncology Pharmacy, Pharmacotherapy, and Psychiatric Pharmacy by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA). NCCA is the accrediting body of the National Organization for Competency Assurance (NOCA) and it accredits certification programs based on very high quality standards in the professional certification industry.<sup>1</sup>

The Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties (BPS) also announced the recognition of its sixth specialty, Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Practice. This action followed the Board's receipt of a petition for the specialty in November 2008, jointly submitted by the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP), the American Pharmacists Association (APhA), and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP). The petition was evaluated according to specific criteria and it was approved earlier this spring. BPS will work with the petitioning organizations to establish a specialty council and begin to define the details of the certification process and examination content and process for this new specialty area. The first administration of an Ambulatory Care Pharmacy specialty examination is anticipated to occur in 2011. Its applicability to requirements for PGY2 residency program directors of ambulatory care pharmacy programs will be addressed at a future Commission on Credentialing meeting.<sup>2</sup>

### Online Residency Directory Update

Now is the time to review your online directory information in the residency program accreditation link of the ASHP website. Are your contact names, phone numbers, and email addresses correct? Is your stipend up to date? Candidates searching for residency programs will be surfing the pages looking for what different residency programs have to offer in advance of the Midyear Clinical Meeting Residency Showcase or CareerPharm PPS. All listings for programs, including pre-candidate, candidate and accredited, should be reviewed for accuracy. If you wish to link your website to this directory, provide ASD with the link information. Send all requests for changes to [asd@ashp.org](mailto:asd@ashp.org)

### Get Involved!

Here are some great opportunities for you and your preceptors to participate at an ASHP national meeting by becoming a Meeting Programming Associate, poster presenter and/or a reviewer. For more information, contact [educserv@ashp.org](mailto:educserv@ashp.org). [http://www.ashp.org/Get\\_Involved](http://www.ashp.org/Get_Involved)

### Resident Poster Mentors Wanted

The Educational Services Division is again seeking volunteers to be mentors for resident posters at the Midyear Clinical Meeting. Here's your opportunity to offer feedback on work being done by residents. Requirements include reviewing at least 3 resident posters and submitting a Resident Poster Mentor Application form. It's that easy! The form can be located under the volunteer section on the poster page, click on "Residents". The link is provided:

<sup>1</sup> BPS NR #2009-04, April 13, 2009

<sup>2</sup> BPS NR #2009-05, June 15, 2009

<http://www.ashp.org/Midyear2009/EducationCE/Posters.aspx>

Email completed form to [educserv@ashp.org](mailto:educserv@ashp.org)

### Resident posters will occur on Wednesday 12/9/09

A list of accepted resident posters will be posted on <http://www.ashp.org/midyear2009/EducationCE/Posters/Residents.aspx> by **October 15, 2009**.

### Mark Your Calendar



**The 44<sup>th</sup> ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition** will be held at the Venetian Hotels and Sands Expo Center, La Vegas, Nevada, December 6-10, 2009. **Early bird registration deadline: October 21<sup>st</sup>.**

Last day to pre-register for the meeting and pre-meeting workshops is November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

<http://www.ashp.org/Midyear2009/RegistrationHotel/Register.aspx>

### **RESIDENCY LEARNING SYSTEM PRE-MEETING WORKSHOPS ANNOUNCED FOR MCM**

**Saturday, December 5, 2009**

**8:00 am to 12:00 pm**

#### ***Design your Residency Program Using the RLS***

There will be 3 separate and distinct groups within this workshop title, so choose the most appropriate workshop session letter for your program needs.

RLS A: PGY1 New Programs (60 seats)

RLS B: PGY1 Existing Programs (120 seats)

RLS C: PGY2 New and Existing Programs (60 seats)

Morning workshop cost \$100

**Saturday, December 5, 2009**

**1:00 pm to 5:00 pm**

#### ***Manage your Residency Program Using the RLS***

There will be 2 separate and distinct groups within this workshop title, so choose the most appropriate workshop session letter for your needs.

RLS D: PGY1 Residency Programs (120 seats)

RLS E: PGY2 Residency Programs (120 seats)

**You may also follow a morning "Design" session with an afternoon "Manage" workshop session. You must have previously completed an 8 hour RLS program if this is the only workshop you wish to participate in as a refresher.**

Afternoon workshop cost \$100

### **Volunteers Needed For Residency Showcase Information Booth**

**We're looking for residency preceptors, program directors, and a resident or two, to be at the Residency Showcase Information Booth** to help students navigate through the residency showcase and answer their questions. ASHP Accreditation Services Division staff and a Commission on Credentialing member will also be on hand at the booth to help answer any questions that you may have. Volunteers are needed for the following time slots

Monday Afternoon December 7<sup>th</sup>

1-2 pm

2-3 pm

3-4 pm

Tuesday Morning December 8<sup>th</sup>

8-9 am

9-10 am

10-11 am

Tuesday Afternoon December 8<sup>th</sup>

1-2 pm

2-3 pm

3-4 pm

Please email Lisa Lifshin at [llifshin@ashp.org](mailto:llifshin@ashp.org) by October 30<sup>th</sup> with the time for which you'd like to volunteer. A confirmation with your assigned time will be sent to you in early November. Thanks for your support!

### **MCM PROGRAMMING FOR YOUR RESIDENTS**

Saturday, December 5, 2009

8:00 am – 12:30 pm

ASHP Career Management Conference

Sponsored in part by Amgen. Free to current pharmacy residents, but you must be pre-registered to attend. 3.0 CE hours

Register online at:

<http://www.ashpadvantage.com/careers/registration.html>

Sunday, December 6, 2009

8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Great eXpectations for New Practitioners

A conference within a conference for new practitioners and residents. 5.0 CE hours

<http://www.ashp.org/Midyear2009/EducationCE/NewPractitioners.aspx>

### **Contact Information for the ASD Staff:**

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## Accreditation Services Update: Residency Related Programs

### Midyear Clinical Meeting (MCM) 2009 – Las Vegas

All rooms are in the Venetian & Sands Expo Center, unless noted otherwise

#### SATURDAY, December 5, 2009

7:30am – 3:30pm	Resident Program – “ASHP Career Management Conference” Sponsored in part by Amgen <i>Marcella Ballroom, Level 4</i> <i>Must pre-register at <a href="http://www.ashpadvantage.com/careers/overview.html">www.ashpadvantage.com/careers/overview.html</a></i>
8:30am – 12 noon	RLS Part 1: Design Your Residency Program - PGY1 – Must pre-register
8:30am – 12 noon	RLS Part 1: Design Your Residency Program - PGY2 – Must pre-register
1:00pm – 5:00pm	RLS Part 2 - Manage Your Residency Program – Must pre-register (Must have completed previous RLS 8hr or Part1 RLS)
12noon – 5pm	Career Pharm PPS Opens for set up & interview preparation <i>Career Pharm PPS goes totally electronic, the mailboxes will be gone!</i> <i>Exhibit Hall C, Level 2 Sands Expo</i>
6:30pm – 7:30pm	Pharmacy Residency Excellence Awards Reception – <i>ASHP Foundation</i> <i>Venetian Room 2501A (Veronese Ballroom, Level 2)</i>

#### SUNDAY, December 6, 2009

7:30 am - 5pm	Career Pharm PPS (Personnel Placement Service <i>Exhibit Hall C (Level 2 Sands Expo)</i> )
10:00am – 11:00am	ResiTrak Roundtables and Best Practices <i>Rm 3403 (San Polo Ballroom, Level 3)</i>
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	New and Prospective Residency Training Programs <i>Rm 3403 (San Polo Ballroom, Level 3)</i>
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	New and Prospective Technician Training Programs <i>Rm 2204 (Titan Ballroom, Level 2)</i>
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Pharmacy Technician Training Program Directors & Instructors Townhall <i>Rm2204 (Titan Ballroom, Level 2)</i>
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Residency Townhall <i>Rm 3101B (Lido Ballroom, Level 3)</i>
8:00am – 5:00pm	Great eXpectations programming for new practitioners – Residents are welcome to sign up for this program <a href="http://www.ashp.org/Midyear2009/EducationCE/NewPractitioners.aspx">http://www.ashp.org/Midyear2009/EducationCE/NewPractitioners.aspx</a>

#### MONDAY, December 7, 2009

7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Career Pharm PPS <i>Exhibit Hall C (Level 2 Sands Expo)</i>
7:30 am – 9:00 am	VA Residency Open Forum <i>Rm 2405 (Veronese Ballroom, Level 2)</i>
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Residency Showcase <i>Exhibit Hall D (Level 2 Sands Expo)</i>
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Community Pharmacy Residency Open Forum <i>Rm 2405 (Veronese Ballroom, Level 2)</i>
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Regional Residency Conference Planners Meeting <i>Rm 2805 (Basano, Level 2)</i>

#### TUESDAY, December 8, 2009

7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Career Pharm PPS <i>Exhibit Hall C, Level 2 Sands Expo</i>
8:00 am – 11:00 am	Residency Showcase <i>Exhibit Hall D, Level 2 Sands Expo</i>
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Residency Showcase <i>Exhibit Hall D, Level 2 Sands Expo</i>
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Managed Care Residency Open Forum <i>Room 2204 (Titan Ballroom, Level 2)</i>
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Whitney Reception - <i>ASHP Foundation - Room 2101B (Bellini Ballroom, Level 3)</i>

#### WEDNESDAY, December 9, 2009

7:30 am – 5 pm	Career Pharm PPS <i>Exhibit hall C, Level 2 Sands Expo</i>
8:00 am – 9:30 am	Pearls for Residency Preceptors <i>Rm 2401A (Veronese Ballroom, Level 2)</i>
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Using the RLS: Roundtables <i>Rm 3402 (San Polo Ballroom, Level 3)</i>
AM+ PM	Resident Poster Sessions <i>Exhibit Hall D, Level 2 Sands Expo</i>
2:30- 3:30pm	Combined MS & Health System Administration Residency Forum <i>Rm 3505 (San Polo Ballroom, Level 3)</i>

**Career Pharm PPS** (Personnel Placement Service) will be open to candidates and employers for setup and interview preparation on Saturday from 12 noon through 5pm. Tours will be offered on the hour on Saturday for new participants. Individuals must be registered to participate. Interviews are to occur between 7:30am -5:00pm Sunday – Wednesday.