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National Residency Preceptors Conference—Thanks for Coming!!

The National Residency Preceptors Conference held in Washington, DC at the Omni Shoreham Hotel on August 14-16, 2008 was a resounding success! Over 730 residency program directors and preceptors from all over the country (the highest number ever) participated in preceptor development workshops, lectures, breakout sessions and networking opportunities. The next conference will be held in August 2010.

Early Commitment Deadline: December 19, 2008

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 in advance of the matching process. Information on this Early Commitment Process is available from the Match web site at www.natmatch.com/ashprmp.

Commission on Credentialing Meeting Highlights

The Commission on Credentialing (COC) met at ASHP headquarters in Bethesda on August 11-13, 2008. The Commission took action on 205 programs:

	<u>New programs</u>	<u>Reaccredited</u>
PGY1 programs:	9	50
PGY1 community:	3	2
PGY1 managed care:	2	1
Specialized PGY 2 programs:	22	12
Technician Training Programs:	7	11

Residency programs, extended accreditation: 74
Technician programs, extended accreditation: 12

The COC reviewed the credentials of 106 new residency program directors and 6 new technician program directors.

The COC approved the outcomes, educational goals and objectives for **PGY2 Pharmacy Residencies in Advanced Area of Pharmacy Practice**. This set of program outcomes, educational goals and objectives can be used by programs who wish to create a specialty residency in an area of practice that currently does not have a corresponding set of prepared outcomes, goals and objectives, such as nephrology or neurology, etc.

Please refer to the ASHP website for the most current information on this new set of PGY2 outcomes, goals, and objectives under the Regulations and Standards section.

<http://www.ashp.org/Import/ACCREDITATION/ResidencyAccreditation/RegulationsStandards.aspx>

PGY2 RPD Compliance Reminder:

Program directors of PGY2 residency programs must have expertise in the specialty area of practice, and must be substantiated by all of the following:

- 1) Have completed an ASHP accredited PGY2 residency in advanced practice, followed by a minimum of 3 years of practice experience **or** equivalent in the advanced practice area (i.e., PGY1 plus 4 years, or, five years of practice experience in the advanced area);
- 2) Effective January 1, 2009, BPS board certification* in the specialty—*when certification is offered in that specific advanced area of practice*; and
- 3) Maintenance of an active practice in the respective advanced practice area.

*For purposes of the board certification obligation of this requirement, specialties are those recognized by the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties (BPS) and include nuclear pharmacy, nutrition support, oncology, pharmacotherapy, psychiatry, and those with added qualifications (cardiology and infectious disease).

ASHP Research and Education Foundation News:

Pharmacy Resident Practice-Based Research Grant

The deadline to submit applications to the ASHP Foundation's 2008 Pharmacy Resident Practice-Based Research Grant is October 31st.

This grant supports practice-based research in medication use conducted by residents in ASHP-accredited pharmacy residency programs. Details and applications can be found at:

<http://www.ashpfoundation.org/MainMenuCategories/ResearchResourceCenter/FundingOpportunities/PharmacyResidentPracticeBasedResearchGrant.aspx>

Keep Accreditation Services Division (ASD) Informed

Accredited residency and technician programs are required by regulation to submit all changes of information about their programs to ASD. This includes changes to program directors, institutional officers, such as the CEO or COO, and email addresses and phone numbers of these individuals. Additionally, if a new program director is appointed, that person needs to submit an Academic & Professional Record form to ASD. Credentials will be reviewed by the Commission on Credentialing and the program director notified of their approval.

For residency program directors:

http://www.ashp.org/s_ashp/docs/files/RTP_AcademicProfessionalForm.doc

For technician training program directors:

http://www.ashp.org/s_ashp/docs/files/RTP_TechAPPForm.doc

Online Residency/Technician Directory Update

Now is the time to review your online directory information in the residency or technician training program accreditation link of the ASHP website. 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. Ensure that your contact and site information is correct and up to date. 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

Resident Poster Mentors Wanted

New this year--The Educational Services Division needs 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!

<http://www.ashp.org/DocLibrary/ResidentPosterMentorForm.aspx>

You will receive the heartfelt gratitude of the residents, and an opportunity to make a real difference for some of the health-system pharmacy profession's newest members.

Resident posters will occur on Wednesday 12/10 from 8-10 am and 1-3 pm.

Mark Your Calendar

The 43rd ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition will be held at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida, December 7-11, 2008. **Early bird registration deadline: October 22nd.** Regular registration deadline: November 24th. Onsite registration fees take effect after November 24th.

Registration Form Link:

<http://www.ashp.org/midyear/Registration.aspx>

Resident Poster submission deadline has been extended to October 15th, 11:59 pm EST.

<http://www.softconference.com/subs/ashp/2008/MCM/ResidentPosters/default.asp>

CareerPharm PPS will be held on Saturday, December 6th through Wednesday, December 10th Residency/job/resume online search functionality opens Oct. 23rd.

Residency Learning System training programs will be offered on Saturday December 6th. For complete details, visit this link:

<http://www.ashp.org/midyear/EducationCE/Workshops.aspx>

Residency Showcase sessions will be held on Monday afternoon, December 8th (1:00 pm to 4:00 pm) Tuesday morning (8:00 am to 11:00 am) and afternoon (1:00 pm to 4:00 pm), December 9th.

Spaces are still available on Tuesday afternoon. Application material can be found:

<http://www.ashp.org/midyear/ResidencyShowcase.aspx>

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 (pm), December 8, 2008

1-2pm
2-3pm
3-4pm

Tuesday (am), December 9, 2008

8-9am
9-10am
10-11am

Tuesday (pm), December 9, 2008

1-2pm
2-3pm
3-4pm

Please e-mail Lisa Lifshin at llifshin@ashp.org by October 17th with the time that you'd like to volunteer. A confirmation with your assigned time will be sent to you in late October or early November. Thanks for your support!



**Accreditation Services Update
Residency Related Programs
Midyear Clinical Meeting (MCM) 2008 – Orlando, FL**
Convention Hall Locations to be announced

SATURDAY, December 6, 2008

7:30am – 3:30pm	Resident Program – “ASHP Career Management Conference” Sponsored by Amgen, <i>Must pre-register at www.ashpadvantage.com/careers/overview.html</i>
8:30am – 5:00pm	RLS PGY1 New Programs – Must pre-register
8:30am – 5:00pm	RLS PGY1 Existing Programs – Must pre-register
8:30am – 5:00pm	RLS PGY2 – New and Existing Programs - Must pre-register
12noon – 5:00pm	Career Pharm PPS opens for set up & interview preparation
6:30pm – 7:30pm	Pharmacy Residency Excellence Awards Reception – <i>ASHP Foundation</i>

SUNDAY, December 7, 2008

7:30am – 5:00pm	Career Pharm PPS (Personnel Placement Service)
7:30am – 12:00noon	Accreditation Surveyor Training – Limited enrollment (by invitation only)
1:30pm – 2:30 pm	How to Start A Residency Program - What You Really Need to Know
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Pharmacy Technician Training Program Directors & Instructors Town Hall
3:00pm – 5:00pm	Residency Town Hall Meeting

MONDAY, December 8, 2008

7:30am – 5pm	Career Pharm PPS
7:30am – 9:00am	VA Residency Open Forum
1:00pm – 4:00pm	Residency Showcase
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Community Pharmacy Residency Open Forum
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Regional Residency Conference Planners Meeting

TUESDAY, December 9, 2008

7:30am – 5:00pm	Career Pharm PPS
8:00am – 11:00am	Residency Showcase
1:00pm – 4:00pm	Residency Showcase
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Managed Care Residency Open Forum
5:30pm-6:30pm	Whitney Reception - <i>ASHP Foundation</i>

WEDNESDAY, December 10, 2008

7:30am – 5:00pm	Career Pharm PPS
8:00am – 10:00am	Resident Posters
1:00pm – 3:00pm	Resident Posters
TIME TBA	Using the RLS Roundtables

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