

Policy Week was an exceptional experience! It can be a little intimidating going to participate and provide perspective on policies that will impact pharmacy amongst well seasoned pharmacy leaders, but I was pleasantly surprised at how much I felt I contributed and that my perspective was truly valued throughout the week. My Council Chair was a great mentor through the process and provided guidance on what was expected of me as a council member. It was also a great opportunity to glean from other council members on pharmacy practices at other institutions across the country. By the end of the week, I was more aware of current issues facing pharmacy and left with the satisfaction that ASHP was actively addressing these concerns. Legislative Day was also a great experience! I highly recommend to any pharmacist that they meet with their Congressional representatives and educate them on key pharmacy issues as they are shaping health policy. I was encouraged at how receptive the representatives we met with were. The New Practitioner position on any ASHP council/committee and participating in ASHP Policy Week would be a wonderful and rewarding opportunity for any newly practicing pharmacist!