



Section of Inpatient Care Practitioners

The Section of Inpatient Care Practitioners (SICP), through its member volunteers, has created opportunities for Frontline pharmacists/ Inpatient care practitioners/ Medication Safety Officers/ Investigational Drug Service Pharmacists/ OR and Anesthesiology Pharmacist/ Technician Educators/ Preceptors and Rural and Frontier Healthcare Practitioners to participate in a number of initiatives while also working with ASHP on relevant activities. Some of the current initiatives and accomplishments of the Section include:

Section Advisory Groups

- Planned networking sessions for the 2011 Midyear Clinical Meeting (MCM). All Advisory Groups, including specialty practice areas Investigational Drug Services and OR/Anesthesiology, were represented.
- SICP has produced eight webinars on varying topics of interest that are available to members on the ASHP website.

Section Advisory Group on Pharmacy Practice Experiences

- Continually updates and maintains its primary resources: How to Start a New Student Rotation and the ASHP Preceptor Tool Kit. Both are posted on ASHP's website.
- Members of this SAG have engaged the Section's SAG on Medication Safety to develop a student rotation template on medication safety and have embraced global approaches to precepting and resource development as reflected in the SAG's membership.
- Developed a webinar entitled "Precepting from the Trenches: Tools and Tips for the Frontline Pharmacist".
- Focus on innovative approaches to expose students to guidelines and standards that impact professional practice as well as the organizations and agencies that effect and regulate these changes.



2010–2011 Executive Committee

Sitting left to right: **Debra Cowan, Brian Benson, Jennifer Edwards Schultz, Richard Pacitti**; Standing left to right: **Anthea V. Francis, Randy Kuiper (Board Liaison), Joanne Kowiatek and Noelle Chapman**

Section Advisory Group on Pharmacy Support Services

- Assisted with ASHP's advocacy for accredited training and education for pharmacy technicians.
- Worked with ASHP Affiliates to provide quality continuing education for certified pharmacy technicians.
- Conducted surveys and gap analyses that address the needed resources for pharmacy technicians and those charged with supervising this group.
- Investigated innovative roles for pharmacy support personnel and suggest ing approaches for incorporation of these roles into the Pharmacy Practice Model Initiative.
- Produced its first webinar that addressed the professional imperative for standardized technician education and training.

Section Advisory Group on Medication Safety

- Developed a 3-day multidisciplinary medication safety track for the 2011 ASHP Summer Meeting (SM). The Best Practices session focused on the following areas of practice: OR/Anesthesiology, Investigational Drug Services, Ambulatory Care and the Emergency Department.
- Created a Patient Safety Priority Tool Kit.
- Working with ASHP's Educational Services Division to develop educational content for the medication safety track for the 2012 SM.

- As part of its Safety Webinar series, the SAG developed its fourth webinar in Nov. 2011.
- Other activities include: continued hosting of networking sessions at both the Summer and Midyear Clinical Meetings; development of the Safety and Quality Pearls session, as well as additional educational sessions, at the MCM; and, drafting an ASHP statement on the definition and role of the Medication Safety Officer.

Section Advisory Group on Small and Rural Hospitals

- Hosting the Programming for Small and Rural Hospitals at the MCM.
- Collaborated with DHHS and CMS Innovation Center to produce a webinar educating members about “Partnership for Patients”, a federal initiative aimed at improving quality, safety and affordability of healthcare for all Americans through public-private partnerships.
- Invited to speak at NRHA’s 2011 Quality and Clinical Conference.
- Contributed extensively to the *AJHP* literature on rural healthcare issues.

Committee on Nominations

This group works at developing a slate of candidates to serve as officers to fulfill Section initiatives and will begin its work in January 2012.

Educational Steering Committee

- Provide close to 15 hours of continuing education credit for the 2011 MCM! Included in the Section developed educational programming is the Rural Track that focuses on the unique needs of rural health-care practitioners; Pediatrics for the Non-pediatric Specialist; Safety and Quality Pearls and Making Your Case: Improving Transitions of Care at Discharge with Pharmacist Involvement.
- Developed a webinar entitled “Update on Federal Regulation Regarding Treatment INDS and the Potential Financial Impact on Hospitals”.
- Supports the *AJHP Frontline Pharmacist* Column and previous contributions to ASHP’s online consumer drug resource: Safemedication.com.

2011–2012 Inpatient Care Practitioners Executive Committee



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The Section’s Executive Committee encourages you to participate in Section activities and to become involved in Section leadership. For a list of opportunities, go to ASHP’s Section of Inpatient Care Practitioners website at www.ashp.org/inpatient-care.