

## Executive Committee



2011–2012 Executive Committee pictured.

Sitting left to right: Michael Sanborn (Board Liaison), Sylvia Thomley, Anne Bobb and Karl Gumper  
Standing left to right: Christopher Urbanski, Leslie Mackowiak and Allen Flynn

## 2010–2011



**Chris Urbanski, R.Ph., M.S.**  
Chair (2010–2011)

Director, Pharmacy Informatics & Medication Integration  
Indiana University Health  
Indianapolis, IN

Chris Urbanski, R.Ph., M.S. is currently Director, Pharmacy Informatics and Medication Integration at Indiana University Health in Indianapolis, Indiana. He received his B.S. in pharmacy in 1982 and Masters in hospital pharmacy in 1986 from Butler University. He began his career at Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis where he served as both staff pharmacist and pharmacy manager. Urbanski currently oversees pharmacy and medication automation system implementations and support for all Clarian facilities. He has served Clarian in an IT role for the past 14 years where he has been instrumental in developing, implementing, and maintaining various medication automation and information systems. He is also an Adjunct Professor at Butler

University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences where he teaches pharmacy informatics. Urbanski has served as Chair for the ASHP Section of Pharmacy Informatics and Technology Section Advisory Group on Automation and Documentation for the past 2 years.



**J. Chad Hardy, Pharm.D., M.S.**  
**Immediate Past Chair (2010–2011)**  
Manager of Pharmacy Informatics  
Harris County Hospital District  
Houston, Texas

Chad Hardy received his doctorate in pharmacy from The University of Texas at Austin and Masters in information technology from Capella University in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Working in pharmacy for over 16 years, he has spent time in military, public, and private sectors. Today he serves health care informatics in his current role at one of the nation's largest public health systems . With experience with ASHP publications and guidelines related to informatics, he continues to contribute to the profession of pharmacy informatics.



**Anne M. Bobb, B.S.Pharm**  
**Director-at-Large (2009–2011)**  
Informatics Pharmacist  
Northwestern Memorial Hospital  
Chicago, IL

Anne Bobb is an Informatics Pharmacist in the Department of Quality and Clinical Informatics at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. She received her B.S. in pharmacy from the University of Rhode Island in 1988. Bobb spent 2 years as a clinical staff pharmacist at Brigham and Women's Hospital, followed by 12 years of staffing at NMH. From 2002 to 2007, she was part of a multidisciplinary patient safety research team studying the causes of medical errors and possible prevention strategies. She focused on medication errors and safe design of orders and order sets within a computerized provider order entry system as well as the use of clinical decision support to improve patient care. Bobb is currently serving on the ASHP Section Advisory Group on Clinical Information Systems and is an AMIA member. Her research interests include multidisciplinary collaboration on the optimal deployment of clinical decision support to improve patient outcomes.



**Leslie R. Mackowiak, R.Ph., M.S.**  
**Director-at-Large (2010–2012)**  
Director of Clinical Systems  
Vanderbilt Medical Center  
Nashville, TN

Leslie R. Mackowiak, is the Director of Clinical Systems at Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville, Tennessee. She has a leadership role in the use and direction of clinical information systems. She oversees physician order entry, nurse documentation, barcode medication administration, and integration with pharmacy systems. She previously practiced at Duke Medicine as the CPOE Director. Prior to the CPOE role, she was the Assistant Director of Pharmacy, responsible for both operations and information systems management. This included oversight of all pharmacy information systems, automation, pharmacy liaison to IT, web integration, outpatient, inventory and custom databases. Mackowiak earned a B.S. from the University of Illinois and a M.S. from UNC at Chapel Hill. She has lectured on many aspects of information systems. Mackowiak is a Past President of the North Carolina Society of Hospital Pharmacists, has served as ASHP delegate from North Carolina, and served on the Council on Professional Affairs.



**Sylvia M. Thomley, PharmD, M.S.**  
**Director-at-Large Elect (2010–2011)**  
Director, IT Clinical Informatics  
Sanford Health  
Sioux Falls, SD

Sylvia M. Thomley, PharmD, MS is Director, IT Clinical Informatics for Sanford Health, Sioux Falls SD. She oversees the integrated electronic health records in over 30 hospitals and long-term care facilities in a five state region, including the implementation and support of CPOE, electronic clinical documentation, barcode medication administration, the pharmacy information system, radiology information system, OR scheduling system, anesthesia documentation, and clinical decision support. She completed her Doctor of Pharmacy and MS in Pharmacy degrees at the University of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy, and residency training in health-system pharmacy administration at the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics. Previously she served as Manager, Medication Safety and Information Technology for UWHC.

Thomley has been involved in ASHP's Section of Pharmacy Informatics and Technology on the SAG for ambulatory care informatics and clinical information systems. She is

also a member of the Healthcare Information Management Systems Society (HiMSS) and the American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA). She recently completed the University of Illinois AMIA 10x10 informatics program.



**Allen J. Flynn, PharmD, CPHIMS, CHS  
Chair-Elect (2010–2011)**

Medication Lead, Clinical Design Team  
University of Michigan Health System  
Ann Arbor, MI

Hospital pharmacist Allen Flynn has taken a non-traditional career path. Following his graduation in 1993 as a Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Michigan he studied Computer Science. After working as a network analyst during the dot-com bubble Allen returned to pharmacy and served as Saint Joseph Mercy Health System's Pharmacy Informatics Coordinator in charge of projects that required interdisciplinary finesse. In 2008, Allen became Medication Lead for Computerized Provider Order Entry at the University of Michigan Hospitals. Allen leads a talented team of pharmacy professionals to provide safe online medication ordering within a complex academic medical center. His team's accomplishments include order entry for chemotherapy and innovative clinical decision support for high alert drugs. Allen provides professional leadership as the Vice-Chair of the Clinical Information Systems Section Advisory Group for the Section on Pharmacy Informatics and Technology. He has authored several publications in the area of pharmacy informatics.



**Karl F. Gumpper, R.Ph., BCNSP, BCPS, FASHP  
ASHP Staff**

Director, Section of Pharmacy Informatics & Technology  
Bethesda, MD

Karl F. Gumpper, R.Ph., BCNSP, BCPS, FASHP  
Director, Section of Pharmacy Informatics & Technology  
Originally from Connecticut, Karl graduated from Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts, with a Bachelors of Science in Pharmacy. He completed a Pharmacy Practice Residency at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, DC. Before joining ASHP, Karl was at Children's National Medical Center as the Director of Pharmacy. Some of his achievements at Children's National were to install a computerized provider order entry (CPOE) system, plan for an Oncology Satellite, and

to expand clinical services. He currently serves as Director of the ASHP Section of Pharmacy Informatics and Technology.

As Director of the Section of Pharmacy Informatics and Technology, Karl guides the strategic planning and coordinates all activities of this newly formed membership component group. He is responsible for facilitating the active participation and involvement of pharmacists involved in informatics within ASHP.

Karl has given professional presentations on a variety of topics both internationally and domestically. He was president of the Washington Metropolitan Society of Health-System Pharmacists, and he has helped coordinate a skills development seminar series for the Pharmacy Residents and Fellows in the DC metropolitan area.