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**PHARMACY PRACTICE
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Message from the Chair – April, 2011

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Dear Colleagues,

Spring is upon us and change is in the air. I don't know about you but I am excited and energized as we prepare to face the new opportunities of 2011! The Pharmacy Practice Model Initiative is in 'full steam' ahead mode and health care reform has us all thinking of how to lead our pharmacies into the next decade. Our Section volunteers have been meeting regularly and creating tools and resources to help all of us on this journey. I wanted to use this Chair's message to share with you some of the new resources and projects that are nearing completion. I hope you find these beneficial to your practice settings.

Of special note, check out the PPMI recommendations, the AJHP web publication of the proceedings will be released in April and the AJHP publication will be in June. We all know one of the measures of success will be when all hospital pharmacies have utilized the PPMI Summit outcomes as part of a strategic discussion with your staff, administration and leadership teams. The Section and all of our Advisory Groups will continue to work on our behalf in creating resources, education, and networking to help us take full advantage of the PPMI!

Financial Management Self-Assessment Tool: This self assessment tool has over 80 ideas to consider as you determine all the various issues we need to think about while managing our departments' finances. [Financial Management Self-Assessment Tool for Hospitals and Health-System Pharmacies](#)

Podcast on a model for managing JW modifiers: This podcast is a 5 minute case study of one systems approach to automating drug wastage to improve coding compliance.

[JW Modifiers: A model for automating compliance documentation](#)

Section Webinar networking session on change management on March 23rd: The subject is Leadership Competencies to Advance Pharmacy Practice - Change Management Essentials. To attend this ASHP member benefit webinar networking session please register at <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/170230689> .

PPMI Recommendations: <http://www.ashp.org/PPMI/PPMISummit/Materials.aspx>

Summer Meeting 2011: A great session Sunday of Summer Meeting on PPMI and change management with planning led by May Ray which includes an opportunity for participants to exchange ideas.

<http://www.ashp.org/SM11/Education/SessionDetailsItineraryPlanner.aspx>

These are all great resources for us as pharmacy leaders and our Section thrives on the time given by our volunteers. Have some fun and visit our Member Spotlight and the stories of some of Section's members.

Section Member Spotlights:

<http://www.ashp.org/Import/MEMBERCENTER/Sections/SectionofPharmacyPracticeManagers/Spotlight.aspx>

Have a great spring season, I hope to see some of you at the ASHP Summer Meeting in Denver and look for information in April on ways to get more involved with the Section's great activities!

Regards,

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