

## Spotlight Message

### 2008 Distinguished Service Award Winner New Practitioners Forum



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Christopher R. Fortier, Pharm.D., is the Manager of Pharmacy Support Services at the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) and a Clinical Assistant Professor with the South Carolina College of Pharmacy – MUSC Campus. Fortier received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Connecticut and completed both a PGY-1 Practice Residency and a PGY-2 Health-System Pharmacy Administration Residency at the Medical University of South Carolina Medical Center.

As the Manager of Pharmacy Support Services he oversees procurement/contracting, controlled substances, repackaging, compounding, given-in-clinic, and investigational drug services. Fortier also has led the implementation of bar code medication administration, smart infusion pumps, and medication reconciliation across the organization.

Fortier served on the ASHP New Practitioners Forum Executive Committee for 2 years, serving as the Vice-Chair in 2006-2007. Additionally, with the New Practitioners Forum, he chaired the Communications and Public Affairs Advisory Group (2005-2007) and was a member of the Leadership and Career Development Advisory Group (2003-2005, 2007-2008). As a member of the ASHP Practice Managers Section, he serves as the Immediate Past Chair on the section's Leadership Development Advisory Group (2005-present).

Additionally, Fortier is a representative on the ASHP Foundation's Center for Health-System Pharmacy Leadership Student & New Practitioner Leadership Task Force (2007-present). Fortier is also involved with the University HealthSystem Consortium's (UHC) Pharmacy Council in which he is a member of the Pharmacy Council's Executive Committee and chairs the Medication Use Informatics and Technology Committee. Fortier is a member of the South Carolina Society of Health-System Pharmacists and the American College of Clinical Pharmacy.

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