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2013 Distinguished Service Award Winner

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Mary M. Hess is Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice at the Jefferson School of Pharmacy on the campus of Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Dr Hess received a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from the University of Missouri – Kansas City and a Doctor of Pharmacy from the St Louis College of Pharmacy. She completed postgraduate training at the University of Tennessee as a critical care / nutrition pharmacy resident and a two year critical care fellowship.

Dr Hess's professional career has been spent in academia and health system settings where she has been actively involved in the advancement of pharmacy services and focused on helping to develop individuals. She is a former residency program director for Postgraduate Year One and Postgraduate Year 2 in critical care pharmacy programs. She served eight years as a member of the Commission on Credentialing, including a term as Chair. She has been an accreditation sight surveyor and contributed programs at several National Residency Preceptor conferences. Dr Hess contributed to the program development of the ASHP Research Foundation Critical Care Traineeship and as a traineeship preceptor.

In the clinical practice setting, Dr Hess has provided service as a member of the critical care team and has received the recognition of Fellow of Critical Care Medicine. She served several years in department leadership, as the director of clinical services. Throughout her career she has develop services that have demonstrated pharmacist value to the healthcare team and improvement in overall patient outcomes. Under her leadership, clinical services have been recognized by the ASHP Best Practices Award and APhA Foundation Pinnacle award and clinical initiatives have received the National Hospital Pharmacy Quality Award, among others.

Dr. Hess has also been actively engaged in professional activities. She recently served as a member of the BPS, critical care pharmacy role delineation committee and the critical care pharmacy practice petition task force. She has served as an Advisory Board member for an accredited pharmacy technician training program. Within ASHP she has served the state society, ASHP mentor program, reviewer to the New Practitioner CV program, multiple service appointments as a Network Facilitator for the Section of Clinical Specialists and Scientists, a term of leadership for the Section of Clinical Specialists and Scientists, including the position of Chair. She has received the designation of Fellow of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists.