Thanks for making this a very well attended National Pharmacy Preceptors Conference!

The National Pharmacy Preceptors Conference was held August 16-18 at the Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, DC. The conference was attended by over 750 participants and included residency training program directors, coordinators, preceptors for both residents and students, pharmacy administrators and anyone interested and involved in pharmacy education. In addition to Residency Program Design and Conduct (RPDC) workshops and informative educational sessions, a networking poster session and reception was held for preceptors to share innovations in residency training and pharmacy student education and was a great success!

Save the date for the 2018 National Pharmacy Preceptors Conference: NEW LOCATION and NEW DATE: October 11-13, 2018 in Dallas, Texas.


Learn more
MCM2017: Residency and Accreditation Educational Sessions

Pre-Meeting Workshops: Residency Program Design and Conduct (RPDC)

Don’t Miss the New RPDC Workshops! Our newly redesigned Residency Program Design and Conduct (RPDC) workshops are customized for the various stages of a residency program. These “hands-on” workshops provide an intensive, in-depth review of current standards, competency areas, and educational goals and objectives for residency program structure, orientation, learning experiences, preceptor roles, evaluation, resident development plans, and continuous program improvement. Each workshop will include information, examples, scenarios, resources, idea-sharing and time for questions and answers. You will definitely not want to miss the first opportunity to get up close and personal with the new PGY1 or new PGY2 Accreditation Standards. The RPDC Workshops will be held on Saturday December 2nd, 2017. There is an additional fee to attend these workshops. Deadline for workshop registration is November 27, 2017 and seating is limited. Click here for more information on registration.

Meeting room assignments can be found on the new ASHP LIVE! APP

Saturday, December 2
Pre-Meeting Workshops

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Residency Program Design and Conduct (RPDC)
RPDC A: PGY1 New Programs (Limit 80 participants)
RPDC B: PGY1 Existing Programs (Limit 100 participants)
RPDC C: PGY2 New and Existing Programs (Limit 100 participants)
Workshop Fee: $370 (lunch and break included)

Sunday, December 3
MCM2017: Residency and Accreditation Related Sessions

Pharmacy Technician Training Program Directors and Instructors

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  New and Prospective Pharmacy Technician Training Program Directors and Instructors Meeting
Orange County Convention Center, West Concourse, W207A, Level 2
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  Pharmacy Technician Training: What’s New for 2018!
Orange County Convention Center, West Concourse, W207A, Level 2

Residency Program Directors and Preceptors

**Sunday, December 3**

12:00 p.m. -1:00 p.m.  PhORCAS: How Programs Can Optimize the WebAdMIT Portal within PhORCAS
Orange County Convention Center, West Concourse, W311B, Level 3

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  Getting Started and Applying for Accreditation-Finding the Pathway and Taking the Right Steps
Orange County Convention Center West Concourse, W312A, Level 3

2:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m.  Using PharmAcademic to Support Resident Learning
Orange County Convention Center West Concourse, W308B, Level 3

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Residency Program Directors and Preceptors Town Hall: Updates from the Commission on Credentialing
Orange County Convention Center West Concourse, W311B, Level 3

**Monday, December 4**

6:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.  Veterans Affairs Residency Open Forum
Orange County Convention Center, West Concourse, W207A, Level 2

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Residency Showcase™
Orange County Convention Center, West Hall C, Level 2

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Community Pharmacy Residency Open Forum
Orange County Convention Center, West Concourse, W300 (Lecture Theater), Level 3

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Regional Residency Conference Planners Meeting
Orange County Convention Center West Concourse, W309A, Level 3

**Tuesday, December 5**

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  Residency Showcase™
Orange County Convention Center, West Hall C, Level 2

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Residency Showcase™
Orange County Convention Center, West Hall C, Level 2

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  Ask the Pharmacy Residency Accreditation Surveyors Roundtable Discussion
Orange County Convention Center, West Concourse, W305A, Level 3

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  Ask the Pharmacy Residency Accreditation Surveyors Roundtable Discussion
Orange County Convention Center, West Concourse, W305A, Level 3

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Managed Care Pharmacy Residency Open Forum
Orange County Convention Center, West Concourse, W224E, Level 2
Residency Showcase Tips and Reminders

Residency Showcase 2017 is right around the corner! Be sure that you are doing everything you can to prepare by using the checklist below.

✔ Review your program’s information on the program listing sheet. Accurate information will ensure that prospective residents can find you in the showcase.

✔ Check your organization’s name on the Floor Plan, which is how it will appear in on-site signage.

✔ Review information on the residency showcase information page, including information on shipping, lead retrieval, ordering electric power for your booth, and much more.

✔ Visit the 2017 ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting website to locate answers to any questions about your trip and experience at the meeting.

✔ Plan for booth set up. Individuals must be registered for the Midyear Clinical Meeting to gain access and to participate in the Residency Showcase. Set up times are as follows:
  - Monday PM session (1-4 pm) – Set up 12:00 pm – 12:45 pm
  - Tuesday AM session (8-11 am) – Set up: 7:00 am – 7:45 am
  - Tuesday PM session (1-4 pm) – Set up 12:00 pm – 12:45 pm

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at showcase@ashp.org

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Important!

Update your Online Residency Program Listing

Any and all updates to your on-line residency program directory listing should be e-mailed to asd@ashp.org ASAP! Deadlines for applications and any other pertinent program information. Also for programs that were in pre-candidate status who now have a resident should send in a candidate application to asd@ashp.org.

Please check that links to your own webpage are working. Please note, both PhORCAS and the National Matching Service (NMS) link to the directory listing, so make sure it is up to date.

REMINDER: Directors of accredited programs must submit written notification of substantive changes to the residency program to ASHP’s Director, Accreditation Services Division, within 30 days of the change. Substantive changes include changes to the leadership (i.e., changes in residency program director or chief/director of pharmacy), content and construct of the program, organizational ownership or accreditation. Residency program directors of multiple-site programs must get approval from ASHP’s Accreditation Services Division prior to adding or removing a site. Notification forms are posted on the ASHP website. Any substantive change in the organization of a program may be considered justification for re-evaluation of the program and/or a site survey.

Read more
PhORCAS/WebADMIT™ Updates

Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service

PhORCAS, the Pharmacy Online residency Centralized Application Service opened for applicants on November 1st at 3pm. The ASHP website (http://www.ashp.org/phorcas) includes new information concerning regarding PhORCAS for applicants, programs and reference writers for this year. Information regarding how PhORCAS can save applicants time, effort, and money can also be found on the website. Also please close out any positions in PhORCAS that are early committed to avoid applicants applying to positions that are not available. (see next section)

WebADMIT is the selection portal of PhORCAS that allows residency program directors and preceptors to sort resident applicant information and has been completely revamped this year with the implementation of enhanced WebAdMIT software. WebAdMIT turbo charges the previous selection portal capabilities for programs and adds in a wealth of brand new features such as facilitating interview scheduling, integration of scoring models, custom access rights on a per user basis, a single sign-on for users with multiple programs within an organization, and much more. A session will be held at the Midyear Clinical Meeting at 12 noon on Sunday December 3rd from 12 noon -1pm, come learn how WebAdMIT can help your program improve the efficiency of the residency selection process for the current application season.

Reminder: Early Commitment Process Deadline—December 15, 2017

To learn more about the rules for participation in the Early Commitment Process, please review the information from the National Matching Service at the following link: https://www.natmatch.com/ashprmp/ecp.html

PGY2 residency programs may only offer early commitment to PGY1 residents who are in programs sponsored by the same organization that sponsors the PGY2 program. Under certain very limited conditions, PGY2 programs may also offer early commitment to PGY1 residents from an affiliated organization. To determine if your organization meets the criteria established by ASHP for an affiliated organization that can offer early commitment to a PGY1 resident, please email Accreditation Services at asd@ashp.org

Programs that fill all their positions through the Early Commitment Process must access the PhORCAS system as soon as possible to close the program for applications, so that other applicants will not be able to apply to the program. However, these programs should not withdraw themselves in the NMS Match System, as this will be done by NMS when the Early Commitment letter of agreement is received and processed by NMS.

Positions available in participating PGY2 programs that are not removed from the Match through the Early Commitment Process by the December 15, 2017 deadline must be offered through the matching process, and applicants interested in such positions must register for and participate in the Match.
Important Dates for 2018 National Matching Service—Two Phase Match

November 1, 2017  List of ASHP Match programs available
December 15, 2017 Final date for receipt at National Matching Services, Inc. of letters of agreement and fees for the early commitment of PGY2 positions to current PGY1 residents
December 31, 2017 Recommended date by which applicants should register for the Match
February 2, 2018 By this date instructions for submitting Rank Order Lists and obtaining Match results will be available to applicants and Program Directors registered to participate in the Match.
February 12, 2018 Beginning on this date applicants and programs will be able to submit Rank Order Lists for Phase I of the Match
March 5, 2018 Final date on which applicants can register to participate in Phase I of the Match
March 6, 2018 Phase I Rank Order List Deadline
March 20, 2018 Results of Phase I Match released to applicants and program directors. Program Directors must send letters of confirmation no later than April 19, 2018.
12:00 EST- the list of programs with available positions for Phase II will be provided on the Match website
Applicants who are not matched to a position in Phase I, and those who did not participate in Phase I, will be able to use Phorcas to prepare applications beginning March 20 following release of Phase I Match results.
March 23, 2018 Beginning at 9:00am EST, applicants who either did not obtain a position in the Phase I Match or did not participate can submit applications to programs participating in Phase II Match
March 27, 2018 Beginning on this date, applicants and programs will be able to submit Rank order lists for Phase II of the Match.
April 4, 2018 Final date on which applicants can register to participate in Phase II of the Match.
April 5, 2018 Phase II Rank Order List Deadline
April 12, 2018 Results of Phase II of the Match released to applicants and Program Directors Program Directors must send letters of confirmation no later than May 12, 2018
12:00 EST the list of programs with available positions after Phase II of the Match will be provided on the Match website
Applicants who do not obtain a position in the Match will be able to prepare and submit applications for programs that have available positions
April 19, 2018  Date for programs with available positions to begin making offers to applicants.

Read more about the 2018 ASHP Match process here: https://www.natmatch.com/ashprmp/aboutdates.html

**Statistics from the 2017-18 Class Match**

- Total number of applications submitted – 65,369
- Average number of applications per applicant - 10
- Number of individual reference writers - 16,172
- Number of references submitted - 75,984

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**PharmAcademic™ Update: Release Notes 10/7/17**

Note: This information has been updated in PharmAcademic Help documents.

**Added Residency Appropriate Titles for Preceptors and Staff**

For the last release, we added the option for programs to designate a Title for preceptors and staff. We received feedback to add more residency appropriate titles, so we added: Clinical Staff Pharmacist, Clinical Pharmacist and Staff Pharmacist.

**Updated Text for Updating Program Dates**

We regularly receive questions about how to update a resident’s program date. We updated the text on the page to “Edit Program Dates” so that it is easier to find (it was “Edit”).

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**Updated Name of Learning Experience Report**

Changed the name from “Download All” to “Download List” to avoid confusion because this report does not download all the learning experiences (new report in the future); instead, it lists basic information about each learning experience.
Disallow Scheduling of Incomplete Evaluations

If a custom evaluation does not contain any questions, then it is not available for scheduling. In the past, RPDs would schedule incomplete evaluations and we would receive questions from preceptors and residents because they were unable to complete them.

Don’t miss PharmAcademic at the Midyear on Sunday December 3rd at 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. “Using PharmAcademic to Support Resident Learning”

Commission On Credentialing (COC) Meeting Highlights

Executive Summary of Length of Accreditation Granted to Programs at the August 2017 Meeting

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Residency Program Statistics:

- Deny Accreditation: (1) 0.25%
- Conditional Accreditation: (4) 1.01%
- Defer Accreditation: (0) 0%
- Continue Accreditation: (108) 16.45%
- 1 year Accreditation: (33) 8.35%
- 2 year Accreditation: (12) 3.04%
- 3 year Accreditation: (123) 31.14%
- 4 year Accreditation: (0) 0%
- 5 year Accreditation: (7) 1.77%
- 6 year Accreditation: (107) 27.09%
COC Decisions approved by the ASHP Board of Directors:

VOTED: To approve the following Residency Standards, Regulations and Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives:

- The PGY1 Managed Care Pharmacy Residency Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives
- The PGY1 Managed Care Pharmacy Residency Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives Guidance Document
- The PGY2 Solid Organ Transplant Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives, with implementation date of July 1, 2018
- The PGY2 Pharmacy Informatics Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives, with implementation date of July 1, 2018
- The amended changes to the PGY2 Pediatric Pharmacy Residency Program Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives Appendix, approved by the ASHP Board of Directors September 2016
- The amended changes to the PGY2 Oncology Pharmacy Residency Program Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives Appendix approved by the ASHP Board of Directors September 2016, as it pertains to Pediatric Oncology Pharmacy-focused programs
- The update and revision of the ASHP Regulations on Accreditation of Pharmacy Residencies approved by the Board of Directors, September 2010

Other COC actions approved by the ASHP Board of Directors:

- The requirement, when new Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties certifications exist, in the PGY2 Standard for residency program director qualifications shall be enforced on the first day of January, one year after the first offering of the certification examination. (Note: Board Certified Geriatric Practitioner (BCGP) certification shall be required by PGY2 geriatric pharmacy residency program directors effective January 1, 2020.)
- The acceptance of BCPS Added Qualifications in both Infectious Diseases and Cardiology (BCPS AQ-ID and BCPS AQ-Card) as valid qualification for board certification of PGY2 residency program directors of these specialized areas up until the expiration of their certification period. (Note: the COC will accept these added qualifications in addition to the new BPS certification examination for infectious diseases and cardiology beginning in 2018.)
- The Commission reviewed and approved several modifications to Guidance Document language for PGY1 and PGY2 Standards, specifically:

  - Provided additional clarification to naming conventions of accredited PGY1 and PGY2 residency programs and multisite definitions per Regulations, and
  - Provided additional clarification of guidance information for Standards 1.6, 2.4b, 2.8, 2.8a and 2.9, 3.1, and 4.4a.
Updated Documents and Revisions Posted to Website

Newly approved Regulations, Competency Areas Goals and Objectives, and updated Guidance Documents are now available on the Web! Links below:

**ASHP Regulations on Accreditation of Pharmacy Residencies**
Read more

**PGY1**

**PGY1 Managed Care Pharmacy Residency Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives**
Read more

**PGY1 Managed Care Pharmacy Residency Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives Guidance Document**
Read more

**PGY2**

Required Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives for Post graduate Year Two (PGY2) Solid Organ Transplant Pharmacy Residencies
Read more

Required Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives for Post graduate Year Two (PGY2) Pharmacy Informatics Residencies
Read more

The following PGY2 Required Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives have updated appendices:

Required Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives for Post Graduate Year Two (PGY2) Pediatric Pharmacy Residencies
Read more

Required Competency Areas, Goals and Objectives for Post Graduate Year Two (PGY2) Oncology Pharmacy Residencies
Read more

Of note, the oncology group is tweaking it to make it look better and conform to the “grid” appearance. We anticipate this will be ready for a March 2018 review for implementation 2018.
### August 2017 COC: Top Areas of Partial Compliance with PGY2 Pharmacy Residencies

#### New PGY2 Standard: Top 5 Citings by Frequency Cited

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<td>3.4d(1)</td>
<td>At the end of each learning experience, residents receive, and discuss with preceptors, verbal and written assessment on the extent of their progress toward achievement of assigned educational goals and objectives, with reference to specific criteria.</td>
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<td>3.4c(2)</td>
<td>On a quarterly basis, the RPD or designee assesses residents’ progress and determines if the development plan needs to be adjusted.</td>
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<td>3.3c(1)(a)</td>
<td>Learning experiences include a general description, including the practice area and the roles of pharmacists in the practice area.</td>
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#### New PGY2 Standard: Top Items Cited Related to Program Policies

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<td>1.7</td>
<td>Requirements for successful completion and expectations of the residency program are documented and provided to applicants invited to interview, including policies for professional, family, and sick leaves; the consequences of any such leave on residents’ ability to complete the residency program; and, for dismissal from the residency program.</td>
<td>48%</td>
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<td>2.7a</td>
<td>The RPD documents residents’ completion of the program’s requirements.</td>
<td>42%</td>
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<td>2.2</td>
<td>The program complies with the ASHP Duty-Hour Requirements for Pharmacy Residencies.</td>
<td>38%</td>
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<td>2.4b</td>
<td>Residents’ acceptance of these terms and conditions, requirements for successful completion, and expectations of the residency program is documented prior to the beginning of the residency.</td>
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#### New PGY2 Standard: Top Cited Items - Program Structure & Preceptors

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#### New PGY2 Standard: Top Cited Items – Pharmacy Services

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<td>The medication distribution system includes the following components (as applicable to the practice setting): a system ensuring accountability and optimization for the use of safe medication-use technologies.</td>
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<td>6.7b</td>
<td>The following patient care services and activities are provided by pharmacists in collaboration with other health-care professionals to optimize medication therapy for patients: prospective participation in the development of individualized medication regimens and treatment plans.</td>
<td>42%</td>
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<td>6.2d</td>
<td>The medication distribution system includes the following components (as applicable to the practice setting): pharmacy services extend to all areas of the practice site in which medications for patients are prescribed, dispensed, administered, and monitored.</td>
<td>41%</td>
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<td>6.6g</td>
<td>The medication distribution system includes the following components (as applicable to the practice setting): a system for the safe use of all medications, (e.g., drug samples, high alert, look-alike/sound-alike, emergency preparedness programs, medical emergencies.)</td>
<td>39%</td>
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Please refer to Spring 2017 for the Most Common PGY1 Citings.
News: ASHP New Practitioners Forum

ASHP regularly communicates directly with students and new practitioners about the numerous benefits and programs available to help guide them through various career transitions. However, we recognize the power of their influencers (you!). Based on your feedback, we will begin sharing similar informational messages with all RPDs. We hope that these ongoing communications will not only increase your awareness of the available resources, but will also provide you with additional ways to support your residents. Stay tuned for more from the ASHP New Practitioners Forum this fall.

News: ASHP Foundation

2017 Pharmacy Residency Excellence Awards

Congratulations to the 2017 Awardees

Program Award
University of Virginia Health System
Postgraduate Year One Pharmacy Residency Program
Charlottesville, VA

Preceptor Award
Emmanuelle Schwartzman, Pharm.D., BCACP, CDE
Western University of Health Sciences, College of Pharmacy
Pomona, CA

New Preceptor Award
Joshua J. Elder, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCOP
Norton Children’s Hospital
Louisville, KY

You are cordially invited to the Pharmacy Residency Excellence Awards Reception

Here is the Pharmacy Residency Excellence Award reception evite link.
Residency Excellence Educational Series and Webinars

Learn award-winning strategies to develop your program, preceptors, and residents from past award recipients. Continuing education credits for pharmacists are available for the Educational Series led by the 2016 awardees. Access to webinar recordings from the 2014 and 2015 awardees is also available separately (not for CE).

- Did You Miss Our 2016 Awardee Webinars? Watch Them On-Demand
  Watch past Residency Excellence Webinars

The Master’s Resident Practice-Based Research grant supports practice-based research conducted by pharmacy residents in ASHP-accredited pharmacy residency programs that combine the completion of a residency and a master’s degree.

- The primary goal of the program is to support quality research to advance pharmacy practice.
- A secondary goal is to develop new investigators’ research skills while fostering the development of mentoring relationships with more experienced senior investigators.

Application Deadline: January 18, 2018
Grantees Announced: March 2018
For more details: http://www.ashpfoundation.org/MastersResidencyGrant

Accreditation Services Office News

Welcome and Farewell to ASO Staff and Contract Surveyors

Welcome: New Director, Standards Development and Training Eric M. Grace, BA, MS

We look forward to having Eric join the Accreditation Services Office Team and for his work in the development of our residency and technician standards and other important educational projects for our members. Eric joins ASHP from ASPEN Dental Management, Inc. where he has been the Sr. Instructional Systems Designer, Learning and Development. Prior to this position, Eric worked at Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine as the E-Learning Manager, Office of Continuing Education and before that at the University of Rochester Medical Center, School of Medicine and Dentistry as the Educational Activity Coordinator and Webmaster in the Office of Continuing Education.

Eric will be a remote worker from his home in Romulus, New York. He will start in early November and join us at Midyear Clinical Meeting in Orlando. Please join us in welcoming Eric to ASHP!

Retirements

Accreditation Services Office (ASO) would like to recognize the numerous contributions of Naomi Schulthesis, Director, Standards Development and Training, and Harold Kornfurher, Contract Lead Surveyor. Both will be dearly missed by the ASO staff. Your individual efforts are too numerous to count. Thank you for everything you did to support our department and residency programs as a whole.
New Role
Katrin Fulginiti became the Director of Operations for ASO, effective September 1, 2017 and she remains the acting Director of Residency Accreditation. Please contact Katrin for assistance with any matters formerly handled by Bruce Nelson, including new program applications and billing.

Annual Accreditation Billing
All accreditation invoices were emailed to one residency program director of record for one or all residency programs conducted at the site.
Please forward your emails to the appropriate person or department at your site for payment.
Should you have any questions about your invoice, please email asd@ashp.org.

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Mailing address:
American Society of Health-System Pharmacists
Attn: Accreditation Services Office
4500 East-West Highway, Suite 900
Bethesda, Maryland, 20814

Did You Know??
Residency Information Webpage Reorganization
All Residency information is now located under a newly titled link on the ASHP website called Residency Information. To access, go to: ASHP Home Page/Professional development/Residency Information/Residency Program Directors. Be sure to scroll all the way down the page to find helpful items like preceptor development examples, preceptor toolkit, webinar on GME pass through reimbursement, and learning activity examples to name a few. We hope you enjoy the website upgrade.
Surveyor Tips: In The Know

Responding to an Accreditation Survey Report: Surveyed on “old” standards.

Many programs surveyed under the “old” standards have transitioned to the new standards and will be preparing survey responses and midterm reports that need to reflect this change. Accreditation Services has published a crosswalk that maps old standards with the new standards and can be found on the website under the PGY1 standards and under the PGY2 standards. These crosswalks will help with preparing your response since some standards have been renumbered and some may have been removed. For example, if the program is cited on a standard that has been re-numbered, both standard numbers should be included in the response for that citation for clarity. (e.g. PGY2 2005 standard 5.1 is now 4.2 in the new PGY2 standards) and if the standard is no longer included, your response would indicate that the program has transitioned to the new standards and the citation is no longer applicable. (e.g., PGY2 2005 standard 3.5 is no longer included in the new standard). Please refer to the guideline document “Guidelines for Preparing Responses to Residency Accreditation Survey Reports and Progress Reports”. Also, for any specific questions on how to respond, feel free to reach out to Accreditation Services asd@ashp.org or your assigned lead surveyor directly.

Attach Before You Hit Send

Program directors are reminded to send examples of appropriate supporting documentation attached as appendices when replying to a survey response. This includes documentation housed in PharmAcademic. Surveyors and Commission on Credentialing members will not review PharmAcademic to verify compliance. Please do not respond with “See PharmAcademic”. Surveyors and Commission on Credentialing members will not review PharmAcademic for responses.

What’s the Secret to Success?

The pre-survey questionnaire is more than just a long checklist to complete before an upcoming accreditation site visit. This tool can be effectively used as a self-assessment guide for continuous quality improvement. Have your residency advisory committee (RAC) use it to identify areas to improve and to alert the program well in advance of any trouble spots where you may be non-compliant with the residency standard. If your program strategically incorporates this review into your annual program improvement activities, your next survey cycle will be more successful and a lot less stressful! Click here to refresh your memory on all that the pre-survey questionnaire contains.

Do you know what surveyors are looking for? The “How It Will Be Surveyed” sections in the Guidance Document provide information about how surveyors will review programs during accreditation surveys. The guidance documents for PGY1 and PGY2 programs are updated twice each year following the COC meetings.
Available from ASHP

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ASHP’s Review and Recertification Reward Program (RRRP) provides Residents and New Practitioners with access to an online ASHP Review Course, Practice Test, and Core Therapeutic Modules at NO COST. In return, you will complete your recertification cycle with ASHP for only $10 per month. That price is guaranteed for the entire 7-year recertification cycle and includes more than the required hours for each specialty. Available for the Ambulatory Care Pharmacy, Critical Care Pharmacy, Geriatric Pharmacy (NEW), Pediatric Pharmacy, and Pharmacotherapy specialties. Pre-registration opens in November. The RRRP is an ASHP member-only benefit. Visit, www.ashp.org/rrrp for more information.

AHFS Clinical Drug Information (AHFS CDI)

Reminder to all residency preceptors!

Residents that who are ASHP members receive complimentary access to AHFS Clinical Drug Information (AHFS CDI). This digital tool is available on computers and any smart device/smart phone and seamlessly incorporates extensive drug information with both drug shortage updates and drug safety alerts.

Please remind your residents to activate their free subscription, as this is a fantastic resource and learning tool. Their redemption codes were emailed to the residents directly on August 17, 2017 (or along with their membership information if they joined after that). Instructions to download AHFS CDI are as follows:

2. Create an account. Please note, this does not have to be the same as your ASHP account information, as they are not connected.
3. Enter redemption code.

Once logged in, your residents can set their preferences to view drug shortages, full monographs of AHFS Drug Information, or AHFS Drug Information Essentials—which provides concise, point-of-care information. If you have any questions, please email custserv@ashp.org.
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