

Answers to 50th Anniversary questionnaire:

Challenges

– I was the president of the local chapter, as well being the President of the Council, as well being the Chair of the Assembly all within the same year

• Memorable – This was memorable, traumatic, and exhilarating, but the council was the organization to bring in the concept of collective bargaining. The 1199 union came to Schenectady and began to recruit pharmacists. The council was asked to respond to this action. The Council brought this issue to a national forefront and had ASHP put it in their Constitution. Many of our colleagues thought the council was selling pharmacy down the river, and because of this action the Council began hiring an attorney.

• Strides – That we achieved having a member of the State Board of Pharmacy be a hospital practitioner – Having the three or four affiliated state chapters initially, merge together to create a council of chapters. New York State was the first of many states organizations to form a council in this manner. – Expanding a single day educational program into a multiple day program

• Next 50 Years – We need to go where the membership wants us to go, we need to continue the integration of the medical team. I remember (at Walter Reed) pharmacists wrote chemotherapy orders, prepared chemotherapy orders, then monitored the patients for outcomes.

William Hotaling Obituary

William H. Hotaling, a retired hospital pharmacist who was Director of Pharmaceutical Services in many prestigious health care institutions in the United States, died Sunday, August 5, 2018 at 88 years of age. Mr. Hotaling was born December 21, 1929 in Schenectady, New York, the son of William H. Hotaling, Jr. and Mary E. Miller. He graduated from Nott Terrace High School, received a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from the Albany College of Pharmacy and a Masters degree in Administration and Management from Union College. Additionally, he served a Fellowship in Executive Management from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. He was Director of Pharmacy Services at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady, Children's Hospital National Medical Center, Washington, DC, Hermann Hospital, University of Texas Medical Center, Houston Texas, Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore and Director of Professional Affairs, Owen Healthcare, Inc., Baltimore. He lectured at Colleges of Pharmacy and nursing, at continuing education programs nationwide and provided consultant services to a variety of institutions. He was chairman of the Southwest Leadership Conference for Pharmacy Residents. An avid reader, traveler and student of history, in retirement he enjoyed his volunteer work at the Baltimore Museum of Art in Baltimore, Maryland..

clude all inpatients and observation-status patients, or about 4–12 patients per day. The sessions are referred to as patient engagement rounds.

"We'll introduce ourselves and . . . go over the progress from the prior 24 hours," Peterson said. The team discusses with the patient and family members the treatment goals, tests that need to be done, and medication changes. She said the team encourages patients and family members to ask questions and raise any issues of concern to them.

"We're trying to really make sure we're answering questions that the patient has prior to the discharge so that we're not seeing them back in the hospital," she said. "And we're making sure that their transition out of the hospital is coordinated as well, whether that be to their primary care or even an assisted living or long-term care facility."

Peterson said patients are commonly admitted for the treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, heart failure, or pneumonia. During the rounds, the pharmacist often addresses questions about antimicrobial use, such as switching from i.v. to oral formulations.

The rounding team includes a nurse or physician assistant who works as a hospitalist under the supervision of a clinic physician.

The physician doesn't directly participate. But that will soon change.

"We're actually transitioning, right now, into a telemedicine program. So our telemedicine M.D.s . . . will also be included in these patient engagement rounds," she said.

David Caron, pharmacy director for Martha's Vineyard Hospital, a critical access hospital in Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts, said the hospital's interprofessional rounds take place Monday through Friday and involve a physician—but the rounds occur outside of the patient's room.

Staff Pharmacist Valci Carvalho said the sessions are "focused on coordination of care" for transitional care patients.

"The doctor gives a brief overview of what's going on with the patient and if there are any updates," he said. The case manager or nurse supervisor then queries participants from other departments, including the pharmacy department, about issues relevant to the patient's progress.

Staff Pharmacist Orchid Motahari said the hospital previously conducted bedside rounds. But she said concerns were raised about the rounding process disturbing patients while they rested. And, she said, some patients weren't comfortable with bedside discussions involving staff members who were also their neighbors on the small island.

She said the current process gives pharmacists, who may not personally meet each patient, a way to become familiar with their care.

Caron said the daily sessions foster closer relationships among different departments at the hospital.

"I do think that, long term, our presence, our ability to communicate, does lead to better overall care of the patient," he said.

—Kate Traynor

DOI: 10.2146/news180061

Former ASHP Board Member William H. Hotaling III dies at 88

William H. Hotaling III, M.S., chair of the ASHP House of Delegates in 1977–79, died on August 5. He was 88 years old.

"Mr. Hotaling was an excellent leader and mentor who helped advance pharmacy practice and improve patient care at the local and national level through his work as a progressive pharmacy director and as Chair of the ASHP House of Delegates and member of the ASHP Board of Directors," said ASHP Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Paul W. Abramowitz. "We will miss him very much, but his legacy will live on through the many leaders he mentored and the pharmacy practice advancements he put in place that have benefited so many patients."

"Senator Hotaling," as he was affectionately referred to during his terms in office, was a leader who loved to engage people, recalled Stephen J. Allen, former CEO of the ASHP Research and Education Foundation.

Allen called Hotaling "a progressive practitioner" in addition to being an ASHP leader.

Hotaling served as the pharmacy services director at Children's Hospital National Medical Center in Washington, D.C., from 1973 to 1982. He hired Allen in 1978 to be the assistant for operations. The two of them, he said, teamed up with Douglas Smith, the assistant for clinical services, to develop distributive and clinical services and establish an ASHP-accredited residency program nearly 40 years ago.



William H. Hotaling III, circa 1977

Photo courtesy of Amy Stalder