



The New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists

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REPORT OF THE PHARMACY PRACTICE DIRECTOR

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PHARMACY PRACTICE

I. The Director of Pharmacy Practice

The Director of Pharmacy Practice shall be responsible for reviewing and developing recommendations for the growth of the Council along professional lines. The director's responsibilities include the development of new and maintenance of existing liaisons with other professional organizations involved in the delivery of health care; creating, developing, monitoring and refining the practice and scope of pharmaceutical services; and to provide guidance to the support personnel.

COMMITTEES

I. Committees of the Division

A. Professional Affairs

1. Purpose: To respond to the needs of the Council members in matters of Professional Practice and the assurance of quality in the performance of pharmacy services.

2. Committee Membership:

- a) Travis Dick, [Chair]
- b) Mary Choy, [Pharmacy Practice Director]
- c) Lisa Voigt, [President]
- d) Shaun Flynn, [Executive Director]
- e) Robert Berger [Pharmacy Management Director]
- f) Elizabeth Shlom, [Chair, House of Delegates]
- g) Evangelina Berrios-Colon
- h) Courtney Caimano
- i) Raymond Cha
- j) Bernie Delello
- k) Andrew DiLuca
- l) Amanda Engle
- m) Karen Vitacolonna Falk
- n) Sara Farghaly
- o) Olga Hilas
- p) Michele B. Kaufman
- q) Hanlin Li
- r) Nicole Stack Lodise
- s) Kathleen Minliona
- t) Jaclyn Scott
- u) Harshal Shukla
- v) Thanh Ta
- w) Winnie Wong

3. Meeting Dates:

- a) September 11, 2019
- b) October 16, 2019
- c) February 7, 2020
- d) April 24, 2020

4. Activity/Recommendations

- a) Presented 6 position statements for the virtual HOD 2019
- b) New resolution submitted to HOD 2020
 - (1) Comprehensive Medication Management
- c) Diabetes educational health workshop: TBD
- d) New York City Department of Health & Mental Hygiene
- e) Academy of Medical & Public Health

5. Policies for Sunset Review (2019):

Number	Position Statement	Recommendation
(1-15)	The New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists Supports the implementation of geriatric medication therapy management and individualized patient counseling to optimize outcomes by pharmacists, in ambulatory settings.	Readopt. Consider new CMM resolution in HOD 2021.
(2-15)	The New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists supports that patient safety information listed within patient history information shall include the patient's fall risk status on all pharmacy patient profiles in both the inpatient and outpatient settings for patients in New York State.	Readopt
(3-15)	The New York State Council of Health-System Pharmacists supports the inclusion of pharmacists in screening, documentation, and clarification of drug allergies in electronic medical records. Thereby, pharmacists have a larger role in shaping appropriate pharmacotherapy and documentation of the allergy label.	Readopt
(4-15)	The New York State Council of Health-System Pharmacists advocate that pharmacy leaders throughout the state advocate for adoption of regional health information organizations (RHIOs) within their institutions and for pharmacists to have	Readopt

	access and become involved in how the RHIO is utilized.	
(5-15)	The New York State Council of Health-System Pharmacists supports the inclusion of pharmacists as core healthcare providers in accountable care organizations in New York State. Moreover, that the council advocates that pharmacist-provided care is appropriately recognized in reimbursement models and that effectiveness research for pharmacist services is conducted.	Amended: The New York State Council of Health-System Pharmacists supports the inclusion of pharmacists as core healthcare providers in accountable care organizations in New York State. Moreover, that the council advocates that pharmacist-provided care is appropriately recognized.
(13-15)	The New York State Council of Health-System Pharmacists supports the pharmacists active participation in the design, implementation and monitoring of the medication reconciliation process.	Readopt

6. Items for Discussion at HOD 2021

- a) Proposed CMM resolution to replace position statement 1-15
 - (1) The New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists advocates for the professional responsibility of pharmacists to provide comprehensive medication management to optimize medication therapy outcomes when providing direct patient care.
- b) Ongoing discussion for recommendation submitted by delegate:
 - (1) The council recommends the discontinuation of the part III exam

B. Support Personnel

1. Purpose: To act as a catalyst for issues regarding the use of support personnel in pharmacy practice. The Committee should function as a Council resource on duties and standards for the employment of support personnel.

2. Membership:

- a) Cynthia Stewart (Technician) [Chair]
- b) Mary Choy, (Pharmacist) [Pharmacy Practice Director]
- c) Lisa Voigt (Pharmacist) [President]
- d) Shaun Flynn [Executive Director]
- e) Ryan Burke (Pharmacist) [Liaison, Pharmacy Technician Certification Board]
- f) Jamie Chin (Pharmacist) [Education Committee Liaison]
- g) Thomas Frisco (Technician)
- h) Michele B. Kaufman (Pharmacist)
- i) Harshal Shukla (Pharmacist)
- j) Saira Mohammad (Pharmacist)
- k) Salma Moustafa (Technician)
- l) Kenny Ng (Pharmacist)
- m) Marina Petratos (Technician)
- n) Alyssa Shangraw (Pharmacist)
- o) Billy Sin (Pharmacist)

3. Meeting Dates:

- a) April 12, 2019
- b) May 14, 2019
- c) September 10, 2019
- d) October 15, 2019
- e) November 21, 2019
- f) January 14, 2020
- g) March 10, 2020
- h) April 14, 2020

4. Activity/Recommendations:

- a) Recruitment of new members
 - Improve the diversity of committee membership to have representation from different chapters
- b) Recommend to add technician members to the House of Delegates
 - Submit amended language to Constitution & Bylaws
- c) Review resolution from HOD 2019
 - NYSCHP supports promoting "tech check tech" programs in institutional settings, which involve a validated pharmacy technician performing the checking of another technician's order-filling accuracy
 - (a) Do not resubmit

- d) Pharmacy Technician Corner
 - The committee developed a new section for the NYSCHP News Brief, which recognizes pharmacy technicians for their vital contributions and elevates the technician profession in New York State.
 - 5 published articles
 - (a) PTCB update (Ryan Burke) – April 2020
 - (b) Technician spotlight (Sarita Alexander) – February 2020
 - (c) Technician Spotlight (Kate Adler) – December 2019
 - (d) Technician Spotlight (Lysandra Wickham) – June 2019
 - (e) PTCB feature (Ryan Burke) – April 2019
- e) Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) Liaison
 - Ryan Burke, PharmD, Director of Professional Affairs
- f) Educational Committee Collaboration
 - Webinar: Pharmacy Technician Certification and Training to Perform, November 5, 2019
 - Moderator: Kate Adler; Speakers: Ryan Burke, PharmD (Director, Professional Affairs, PTCB) and Mark Shen, PharmD (Transitions of Care, Winthrop Hospital)
 - Liaison: Jamie Chin, PharmD
- g) Communications Committee Collaboration
 - Technician Podcast Episode, scheduled for summer 2020

C. Medication Safety

1. Purpose: To develop ways to address issues regarding medication and patient safety in pharmacy practice. The committee should function as a council resource on medication safety issues.
2. Membership: *Ad hoc*
3. N.B. Medication safety issues were the focus of the Support Personnel Committee and Professional Affairs Committee (see above)

Respectfully submitted,

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