

New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists

# **REPORT OF Director of Chapter Services**

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# I. Responsibility of the Division

The charge of the Division of Chapter Services, as defined in the Constitution and Bylaws of the NYSCHP, is to be responsible for:

• Developing plans to increase revenue and membership via responsible committees.

## II. Committees of the Division

### **Membership Committee**

Chair: Katelyn Steverson

Members: Erica Maceira (Vice Chair and Northeastern), Timothy Hutcherson (Director of Chapter Services, Western), Ruth Cassidy (President), Heide Christensen (Immediate Past President), Angela Cheng (President-Elect), Shaun Flynn (Executive Director), Brian Dodge and Jeremy Gleason (Central), Sum Lam and Ellen Giordano (Long Island), Neha Shah and Emily Messing (NYC), Shawn Phillips (Northeastern), Matthew Zak and Christopher Noel (Rochester), Meagan Freel and Natalie Greco (Royals), Maryann Serbonich and Amanda Mogul (Southern Tier), Kyoung-Sil Kang and Jessica Cacace (Westchester), Michelle Brown (Students), Rohama Shepard and David Chung (Technicians)

Past Activities: Review membership numbers and trends; communicate with local chapter representatives the activities of the BOD; share chapter successes and challenges; and implement tools and strategies to aid chapters be successful in the recruitment and maintaining of members.

Future Activities: Same.

## **Faculty Liaison Committee**

Chair: Timothy Hutcherson with direct support of Katelyn Steverson and Erica Maceira

Members: Nicole Cieri-Hutcherson (Buffalo), Emma Studlack (D'Youville), Justin Andrade (Touro), Zhe Wang (Touro), Chung-Shien Lee (St. John's), Maria Sorbera (Long Island University), Nicole Stack (Albany), Courtney Caimano (Albany), Wesley Kufel (Binghamton)

Past Activities: Collaborate with representatives of the eight NYS schools of pharmacy, with help from various other NYSCHP committees, to engage their students in NYSCHP activities; help plan student programming and competitions at the Annual Assembly; and communicate important state legislative updates with Deans.

Future Activities: Same.

#### **Student Committee**

Chair: Sierra D'Ettore

Past Activities: Collaborate with student members to determine needs at student chapters.

Future Activities: Collaborate with student members to determine NYSCHP-driven student service activities.

# III. Strategic Plan Tasks: Status Update



#### **Comments:**

Jan-22

Feb-22

• The council and chapters viewed in-person meetings and recruitment activities as vital for continued membership growth

Membership numbers appear to have plateaued

- It is unclear as to when membership numbers may match pre-pandemic numbers, although some organizations anticipate it may take 1-2 years
- Chapter meeting minutes appear to be inaccessible to the Director of Chapter Services (and Membership Committee Chair); please forward these items when available

The 2021/2022 MARP was a concept-in-development over the past year, intended to provide membership-related strategies to ittain council and chapter membership goals, retain current members, and reacquire lost members. The current MARP betaested some strategies (e.g., the 2019 chapter outreach initiative) to acquire chapter and member information to support its ecommendations, although most recommendations ultimately were committee-generated via consensus of chapter epresentatives. Future iterations of the MARP will be highly data-driven using information acquired through defined data collection activities performed by the Membership Committee, with analysis and recommendations conducted and developed at he committee level.

- 1. Recommend strong focus on student, resident, and technician recruitment
  - a. Faculty-to-student membership ratio should match or exceed that ratio of academic institutions
  - b. Resident membership ratio should equate to 1 resident per program on average or greater
  - c. Technician membership ratio should equate to 1 technician per institution on average or greater
- 2. Recommend continued focus on all active and associate recruitment
  - a. Chapter active and associate attainment/retention should equate to 10% per year of a chapter's membership growth for any category
  - b. The sum of new memberships and retention of overdue/non-reup memberships can count toward this goal
  - c. Strongly recommend incentivizing chapters that meet their goals with one or more of the following: rebates; chapter reimbursements and membership goal achievement bonuses; awards; free memberships; bonus delegates; priority selection of speakers for installation events; free admission to pay-for-service CE events; etc.
- 3. Recommend council-wide strategies to promote and ensure sufficient volunteer engagement on committees and programs
  - a. May include Board and committee leader trainings on effective leadership styles, communication, and diversity
  - b. May also involve inclusion in a leadership pipeline series to fast-track dedicated leaders
- 4. Recommend development of a NYSCHP-conferred professional credential/designation
  - a. May include a combination of years of membership; acts of service; leadership positions; trainings completed; meetings attended; education delivered; etc.
- 5. Recommend continue offerings of CEs council-wide post-pandemic
- 6. Recommend quickly instituting longitudinal educational programming that promotes both membership and repeated/routine access to programming content
  - a. Single-session CEs are efficient, but multi-session educational certificate programs delivered piece-meal over time may promote consistent engagement
  - b. Specialist certificate programs should be designed for diversity, equity, and justice; leadership; professional communication; research development and dissemination; board certification preparatory modules; medication safety; technician trainings; and practice specialties
- 7. Recommend converting some content from CEs and certificate programs to non-CE-bearing certificate programs using same rationale as above
  - a. Act a clearinghouse for training throughout the council for both members, chapters, institutions, and educators (i.e., focus on job training over gaining CE)
  - b. Consider becoming a premier program hub for common institutional pharmacy training topics
- 8. Recommend conduct of an annual survey of members for needs, specifically what would keep members coming back routinely
  - a. A task team should be created by the Board with input from all divisions so that all interests could be captured in one survey (the Membership Committee is willing and able to assume this role)
  - b. A part of the same survey could be designed for chapter-specific (i.e., generated by chapters) questions, with reports waterfalling to chapters, so as to avoid survey fatigue by members
- 9. Recommend new awards, rewards, or rebates (one or all, alone, or in combination) for members
- 10. Recommend gratis membership options for persons of strategic importance that could assist with recruitment or champion recruitment in areas of specific need
  - a. May be considered at the council, chapter, institutional, and academic levels
- 1. Engage (note: all division activities primarily fall under the 'Engage' directive, directly or indirectly)

Strategy	Action Items	Notes
Apprise stakeholders of membership-related strategies  Develop and execute a membership	1. Annual membership goals statement: APRIL 1 2. Annual membership category needs assessment: DELIVERED 3. Annual membership attainment and retention plan (MARP): APRIL 1 4. Annual chapter outreach report: COMPLETE 5. Annual academic outreach report: March 1 6. Annual survey of members report: March 1 7. Produce quarterly and annual reports for stakeholders 1. Annual membership goals	Notes  The MARP will change significantly in future years due to the Membership Committee's new focus on data collection and data-driven membership recommendations  MARP development for 2022/2023
attainment and retention plan (MARP)  Engage students, faculty, and	<ol> <li>Annual membership goals statement</li> <li>Annual membership category needs assessment</li> <li>Annual chapter outreach report</li> <li>Annual academic outreach report</li> <li>Annual survey of members report</li> <li>Student chapter outreach meetings</li> </ol>	is currently in progress and on track; an additional analysis is in its final stages to map all entry points for member engagement within the council (still awaiting a couple responses), and a similar analysis will likely be recommended for chapters to undertake and report  This goal is in progress and on track
schools of pharmacy to promote the NYSCHP  Train members, committee members, and Board of Directors, as necessary, to support the membership attainment and retention plan (MARP)	Currently providing resource training to chapter representatives at every committee meeting to facilitate documentation, reporting, and monitoring of membership changes to chapter leaders and to the council	This goal is in progress and on track
Develop relationships and foster a positive image of the NYSCHP organization within the community, committees, and the Board of Directors	<ol> <li>Conduct annual category needs assessment with all Officers, Directors, and Chairs</li> <li>Conduct annual chapter outreach with all chapters</li> <li>Conduct annual academic outreach with all academic institutions</li> <li>Conduct annual survey of membership</li> </ol>	Membership Committee received approval to develop a questionnaire for a survey of all members and distribute it following BOD approval; this goal is in progress and on track

Recommendation Assigned	Action Taken (Y/N) or Status Update	If No Action, Indicate Why
Develop a sponsorship	Cyndie Walton (NYSCHP Technician	N/A
program for NYSCHP	Committee) has been added to the	
Pharmacist members to bring	Membership Committee as a liaison; the	
in new Pharmacy Technician	committee will utilize her input to develop	
members.	a feasible plan for NYSCHP to enact and	
	chapters to implement a technician	
	sponsorship program.	
NYSCHP needs more	See action taken above; the committee will	N/A
Pharmacy Technician	utilize her input in conjunction with that	
members – Pharmacy	acquired via the annual chapter outreach	
Technician Membership	initiative to identify feasible avenues to	
Recruitment	bolster technician membership, including	
	the technician sponsorship program noted	
	above. A recommendation by the	
	Membership Committee was to appoint a	
	technician member to the Board of	
	Directors, and this has been approved.	

# V. <u>Review of Position Statements</u>: Status Update

Position Statement Assigned	Status Update	Next Steps as Applicable
Statement 07-17:	Deliver with revisions as approved per NYSCHP Membership	Deliver recommendation to HOD as directed
NYSCHP invites all pharmacists and technicians practicing within health-	Committee, as follows:	
systems, including ambulatory and community settings, to join the organization and engage in Council activities and initiatives to collaborate across the continuum of care. Further, NYSCHP advocates	NYSCHP invites all persons for membership who serve the pharmacy profession across all practice settings including pharmacists, student pharmacy technicians, pharmacy	
for, represents, and educates practitioners in those settings.	personnel, industry partners, and pharmacy faculty. NYSCHP advocates for, represents, and educates practitioners and partners in those settings.	

Respectfully submitted,

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