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This past December 3rd through the 7th over 25,000 pharmacy students, residents, and pharmacists descended upon Orlando, Florida. The meeting marked ASHP's 75th annual celebration as well as the Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition's 52nd year. NYSCHP held its annual reception on Sunday the 3rd at the Rosen Centre. Colleagues got the chance to network with each other and catch up before the hustle and bustle of the meeting truly began. Were you able to get a seat to hear former FLOTUS Michelle Obama's keynote speech? Monday evening several colleges of pharmacy held alumni events and according to many they were packed beyond capacity. It is great to hear that so many alumni attend these events to see their old colleagues. It was great to see all the residents presenting their posters that they worked so hard on throughout the year. The Residency Showcase was well attended and the future of pharmacy looks bright.

CDTM is set to expire in 2018 and we once again need your help and support to keep it going. We will be reaching out to you shortly with guidance on how you can work with your local legislators, as well as co-workers and pharmacy directors to help perpetuate CDTM.

NYSCHP would like to wish you and your family a happy and healthy holiday season.

Anthony Longo
President Elect

Public Policy Committee Update

- **Pharmacy Technician Registration/Certification**

- NYSCHP and the other pharmacy organizations have all agreed on modifications to the bill; we will be meeting with the State Education Department to discuss optimal implementation
- Our intention is that the technicians will be listed in a registry, such as home health aids; technicians in hospitals/health-systems/compounding facilities will need to be certified
- Our bill passed in the Senate this past session but is paused in the Assembly. We will need members to engage their Assembly persons to educate regarding technician registration (materials to be posted on NYSCHP.org)

- **Collaborative Drug Therapy Management/Immunization Expansion**

- CDTM law is going to sunset in 2018. We are going to be working with PSSNY to attempt to create a common vision for collaborative practice in New York State
- Immunization – this law will sunset in 2019; we are trying to expand to all CDC recommended vaccines and allow interns to immunize

- **Contract Lobbyist**

- NYSCHP is now represented by Empire Strategic Planning (ESP), a firm headed by former New York State Senator Nick Spano

For more information or to get involved, please email Vice President of Public Policy Andrew Kaplan (Andrew.Kaplan@mountsinai.org)



Spotlight on NYC Chapter

The New York City Society of Health-system Pharmacists kicked off the new academic year with a bang! Between August and the end of this calendar year, we will have provided > 8 CE programs in addition to many networking and community service events. We held our first Clinical and Directors Roundtable in the fall, which included pharmacy students, residents, clinical pharmacists, operational managers, and directors of pharmacy from more than 15 different institutions! The Roundtable allowed everyone to network and share best practices related to hot topics such as managing drug shortages, high cost medications, antimicrobial stewardship, transitions of care, and collaborative practice agreements. Due to the overwhelmingly positive feedback we received from this program, we will plan to hold another roundtable in the spring.

We are also getting more involved in our local community. In October, our chapter participated in NY Cares Day, with volunteers dedicating time to paint a school in Brooklyn. In November, a group of NYCSHP members served as medical volunteers in the NYC marathon, helping to sort supplies, draw up and dispense medications, and triage patients. We are also initiating a partnership with the NYC Medical Reserve that will lead to future community service collaborations, including brown bag events and blood pressure screenings. Our chapter donated \$500 to the Texas Hospital Association (THA) Employee Assistance Fund for victims of Hurricane Harvey. We have also formed a team for the 2018 Cycle for Survival taking place this spring where all proceeds go to rare cancer research at Memorial Sloan Kettering.

Our new Grassroots Advocacy Committee is up and running. The objectives of this committee include: providing legislative updates to members, increasing advocacy efforts, facilitating new practitioner engagement, reporting metrics, and collaborating with other pharmacy organizations. Through this committee, we have been able to provide legislative updates at every NYC chapter event and have set up six local legislative visits, partnering junior and seasoned members to lobby together. We held our first ever Grassroots Advocacy dinner, which provided a primer on the basic steps towards effective pharmacy advocacy.

We also continue to facilitate nontraditional networking opportunities, kick-starting the new year with a LISHP/NYCSHP event at a Mets game, followed by an active shooter training, a new practitioner's happy hour, and a fall hike at Breakneck Ridge. The active shooter training was provided by Jin Kim, Special Agent from the FBI and included many potentially life-saving survival tips. For the spring, we are planning a charity 5K run to engage the runners (and walkers!) in our chapter, as well as a football scrimmage between our seasoned and new practitioners. We are always trying to think outside the box for more nontraditional programs that encourage networking in a fun environment. If you have ideas for future events or have any questions about our chapter, please email me at karenberger7@gmail.com.

Thank you so much to our outstanding members who have been involved and engaged members of our society!

Sincerely,
Karen Berger, PharmD, BCPS, BCCCP
President, NYCSHP



It's that time again...

to submit your resolutions

Deadline for Submission: February 9th, 2018

RESOLUTIONS*

Actions of the New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists are expressed as resolutions submitted in writing according to the regulations of the NYSCHP House. Resolutions may register an opinion or may recommend action be taken by the NYSCHP. The resolution should be clear, concise, and specific. The substance should be well researched, and reflect the character and interests of the NYSCHP and the pharmacy profession.

Resolutions should be written in a common format. Resolutions have three parts: (1) the heading, (2) the preamble, and (3) the operative clause. It is one long sentence with commas and semicolons throughout the resolution, with a period at the very end. All operative clauses end with a semicolon except the final clause, which ends in a period.

HEADING

Committee: i.e. the committee in which the resolution is introduced.

Topic: the topic of the resolution

Sponsored by: List the sponsors whose signatures appear at the bottom of the resolution.

PREAMBLE

The purpose of the preamble is to demonstrate that there is a problem that needs to be solved or resolved. The preamble of the resolution does everything but propose the action or make any substantive statement in the topic at hand. Each clause of the preamble begins with "Whereas" followed by a comma and the next word should begin with a capital letter. The preamble, regardless of how many paragraphs should never contain a period. The last paragraph of the preamble should close with a semicolon, after which a connecting expression, such as "therefore, be it: or "now therefore be it" can be added. The statements contained in the "Whereas" clause have no legal effect.

OPERATIVE CLAUSE

Operative clauses are set to achieve the NYSCHP's main policy or goals on the topic. Each operative clause ends with a semicolon and the final clause ends with a period. Operative clauses should be organized in a logical progression and each clause should contain a single idea or policy proposal. The word resolved is printed in italics and is followed by a comma and the word "That" should begin with a capital "T". If there is more than one resolving clause, each clause should be in a separate paragraph. Each paragraph begins with the word "*Resolved, That*". A resolving paragraph should not contain a period within the paragraph.

Whereas, The... [text of the preamble]; now, therefore, be it

Resolved That ... [stating action to be taken].

*The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure; Alice Sturgis, The New Robert's Rules of Order.

Sample Resolution

Committee: Central New York Chapter of Health-system Pharmacists

Topic: Certification of technicians in New York State

Sponsored: Roy Guharoy, Russell Yandon

Registration of Pharmacy Technicians

Whereas, Hospital pharmacists have moved into clinical patient-care roles requiring more freedom from distribution, dispensing and manual tasks, and,

Whereas, Pharmacy technicians are being increasingly used to perform such work, and,

Whereas, There are large numbers of technicians working in hospitals in New York State over the past couple of decades; many in long-term employment, and,

Whereas, Pharmacy technicians give valuable support which enables pharmacists to use their cognitive services for better patient care, and,

Whereas, While not requiring knowledge framework of a pharmacist, the duties performed by technicians are often crucial; involving precision, trust, risk and excellence, and, oversight and regulation would be helpful for patient safety and quality of care, and,

Whereas, More technician participation and recognition should increase progress, accountability, efficiency, and job satisfaction in pharmacy practice, therefore , be it

Resolved That:

The New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists supports registration of all pharmacy technicians in New York State.

Date: _____

By: _____

Roy Guharoy Russell Yandon

Resolutions should be emailed to Shaun Flynn, sflynn@nyschp.org.

Event Highlights

NYCSHP/LISHP Mets game in July



First Networking Dinner in August



Active Shooter Training in August



Clinical and Director Roundtable in October



Celebrating Pharmacy Week at the Today Show



Medical Volunteers at NYC Marathon



Event Highlights

Student Interview Workshop



This year's NYCSHP Student Interview Workshop took place at Touro School of Pharmacy. Students from neighboring schools of pharmacies came together while NYCSHP faculty pharmacists facilitated interview questions and answers in their respective groups of students. After practicing interview responses, the faculty panel answered questions from the audience. Lastly, the students had the opportunity to have their curriculum vitae reviewed by the faculty and share the recommendations with their group.

NYCSHP Special Projects CE Program



This year's fall NYCSHP Special Projects event on medication safety was held on November 12th at Mount Sinai Beth Israel. Our speakers Harshal Shukla, Vicken Yaghdjian and Demetra Tsapepas educated the group on the pharmacist's role in the operating room and comprehensive approaches to transplant. The topics stimulated some great conversation with the audience on a Sunday morning!

Royal's CE Program

As our knowledge of HIV and antiretroviral therapy expands, so too does the quality of life and life expectancy of patients infected with HIV, allowing us to discover and understand growing comorbidities, including cardiovascular disease, in these patients. Dr. Schepp explains why cardiovascular disease is prevalent in this population, how we can appropriately manage patients with cardiovascular diseases and HIV, and what therapies are currently being studied to better manage these patients.

SJFC Wegmans School of Pharmacy at a Brown Bag Event



Important HOD and Resolutions Dates

January 2018

- January 11th: Resolution and Virtual HOD Process Review

February 2018

- February 9th: Resolution submission deadline
- February 15th: First mailing to delegates

March 2018

- March 9th: Second mailing to delegates
- March 15th: Virtual HOD (noon – 2 pm) 2017 Delegates
- March 30th: Opening Hearing Conference call (noon – 1 pm)

April 2018

- April 9th: Resolution Committee call (noon – 2 pm)
- April 19th: HOD Open Hearing (on site) 6 – 7 pm
- April 20th: HOD (8 am – noon)

NYSCHP and Local Chapter Upcoming Events

December 2017

- December 19th: NYSCHP Webinar
- December 21st: NYSCHP Chapter Presidents Call

January 2018

- January 10th: NYCSHP Mentoring Committee Workshop
- January 11th: NYCSHP Networking Dinner
- January 16th: NYCSHP Grassroots Advocacy Committee Dinner
- January 18th: NYCSHP CE Program
- January 21st: NYCSHP Brown Bag Event
- January 23rd: NYCSHP New Practitioners CE Program
- January 25th: LISHP CE Program, Ensuring Appropriate Proton Pump Inhibitor Use - What can we do?
- January 30th: NYCSHP Stop the Bleed Program

March 2018

- March 10th , 10am-2pm: NYCSHP Cycle for Survival

April 2018

- April 19 – 22nd: NYSCHP Annual Assembly, Saratoga Springs, NY



**From
NYSCHP Board of Directors**

Wishing you all ...

