



A MESSAGE FROM THE PSGH PRESIDENT TO MEMBERS ON PROGRESS ON "THE
NEW OUTLOOK" FOR PHARMACY,
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Dear Colleagues,

November 2015 has just begun and it's about 45 days since you gave me a resounding mandate to lead our noble Society. I can feel the weight of the expectations yet I believe with God on our side, we can make it happen. I understand your vote to be a belief in my vision, my message and my passion for us to create our collective future.

Thankfully, you also endowed me with one of the best teams any President can wish for in times like this: In Kofi, Barbara, Frank, Christian, Kwame, Gertrude and Ernest I count myself blessed and lucky. We will still need the thoughts, blessings and support of all other Pharmacists on this mission.

WORLD PHARMACISTS DAY CELEBRATION (25th SEPTEMBER, 2015)

I commend you all for your tremendous support and participation although we had little time to adequately prepare. I believe with more strategic planning, we can even deepen our presence more with future celebrations. I salute the various planning committees and communication teams for a yeoman's job.



PSGH Celebrates 2015 World Pharmacist Day

FIP WORLD CONGRESS (29th SEPTEMBER-3rd OCTOBER, 2015)

I participated in the FIP Congress in Germany after the World Pharmacists Day Celebration. We were about thirty-four (34) participants from Ghana. It was a success and I hope other colleagues will join me in bringing back to our motherland some of the useful lessons, models and examples we shared there.



PSGH President attends 2015 FIP Congress in Dusseldorf

FINAL TRANSITION (29th OCTOBER, 2015)

Following the handing over to me and my team on 18th September 2015, we met with the old SEC on 29th October to informally and administratively take over the reins of the leadership of the PSGH. I can assure you that in spite of the lag, we had done some extensive work on the ground to save time for actual planning and action. I have received your encouragements, questions and expectations and I want to assure you we are ready for the challenge. We will spend the next few weeks to review, verify and clarify (if any) the comprehensive handing over document and then take off from there.

Handing over



STRUCTURES

We are on course with the structural framework for the "New Outlook" and have begun long processes of consultations and engagements to obtain understanding, support and participation in the various directorates, committees and teams that will deliver on our strive towards creating our common desired future. When these processes are done, I will update you in my monthly bulletin as the hardworking Editor and Executive Secretary send you the stories behind the facts. I hope these structures will aptly reflect the diversity and richness of our noble profession with a fair representation of all of us.

PRESSING ISSUES

The key/pressing issues of Pharmacy Council's impending policy, GHOSPA's conditions of Service negotiations, and the NHIA's Review process have also engaged our attention fully and received our initial views. We have already had preliminary discussions with both the NHIA and the Pharmacy Council and I will assure you that we will continue this path of strategic engagements to advance the supreme interest of pharmacy without compromising our interest as practitioners. I am happy to inform you that preliminary works have begun at the Pharmacy Centre to elevate the place to its befitting status and increase traffic for its use. I encourage you to pass by the Centre and leave your recommendations if any, with the Administrative or Executive Secretaries.

THIS MONTH

My team and I will continue with the basic rudiments and requisite structural needs, changes, appointments, committees and groups to help deliver on our promise. I pray that you support us spiritually and in all areas because we are very determined, poised and focussed to make it happen. I will share my vision and mission with the SEC/GB and inaugurate the Committees and directorates to get the process going.

INVITATION

I want to seize the opportunity to maintain a direct and professional engagement with you through these forums. Kindly channel your questions, comments, thoughts and ideas for the PSGH Presidency directly here or through the Executive Secretary. We welcome any innovations, thoughts, ideas, solutions that will enrich the vision we brought to office.

CONCLUSION

These are exciting and promising times. You don't have to be left out of the creation of the new outlook. I would like to once again make a passionate call on all of us as Pharmacists to step up to our professional, ethical and moral responsibilities and competencies. Let us come together as one force; nothing can stop us in our march. I believed it. I still do. Join us lets create the framework for our desired future. Let's stay in touch.

Thank you,

God Bless Pharmacy, God Bless us all..

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This message is the first of a series of monthly messages from the office of the PSGH President. This forms part of the President's goal of maintaining a constant communication with members.

