



## Martin Iyoya, PharmD, FCSHP Awarded CSHP's 2020 Distinguished Service Award

Dear CSHP Members,

Awarded annually to one member who has made exceptional and sustained contributions to the society at the regional and state level, **Dr. Martin Iyoya, PharmD, FCSHP** has been awarded CSHP's Distinguished Service Award (DSA) for 2020.



Dr. Iyoya has been a true leader in our organization on many levels. Regionally for both Diablo Society of Health-System Pharmacists (DSHP) and Quatra Country Society of Health-System Pharmacists, he has served CSHP membership honorably as delegate, treasurer, secretary and chapter President. Statewide, he has made notable contributions as member/chair of several CSHP committees including the Committee on Goals, Public Relations and the Committee of Nominations and Leadership Development. He has also served as Industry Chair for several Seminar planning committees. He was appointed to serve on CSHP taskforces such as the Pharmacy Practice Model Initiative, Sterile Compounding Work Group and the CEO/EVP search committee. He also served on the CSHP Board of Directors (2012-2015), during which the board worked to secure passage of SB 493 that recognized pharmacists as providers in the state of California, and most recently chaired an effort along with fellow pharmacy leaders to advocate for changes in Title 22 that better align with current practice.

As an assistant professor/preceptor for several schools of pharmacy, Dr. Iyoya has strongly encouraged students and staff to participate in CSHP and to advance the profession of pharmacy through grassroots advocacy. For several years he supported the UCSF student chapter for CSHP, participating in mock internship and residency interviews and annual mentor nights. Through John Muir Health, he has opened up inpatient internship positions and recently started a PGY1 residency program to help assuage job shortages faced by graduates. While serving on the UCSF School of Pharmacy Alumni Board of Governors, he actively promoted the benefits of CSHP amongst fellow alumni. Many of his fellow alumni, former students and staff have answered the call for grassroots advocacy and took on leadership roles regionally and at the state level. Grace Ng, PharmD, a past DSHP president, stated that "Martin has demonstrated a remarkable ability to network, to reach people personally and to inspire volunteering and giving back to the community." Barbara Uenaka, PharmD, MHA, FCSHP and 2019 DSA recipient states that "Dr. Iyoya's tireless advocacy for pharmacists and provision of services in the community has made a huge impact on developing many pharmacy leaders across California."

Donna Fitzgerald, BS, CPhT, FCSHP spoke about Dr. Iyoya's nomination, saying "He's always available to assist with questions and did not hesitate to impart information from the Board of Directors or anything he gleaned from discussions with ASHP. If someone had a question he could not answer, he was and is ALWAYS ready to research the issue and report back on the information he acquired."

For close to four decades, Dr. Iyoya has tirelessly advocated on behalf of CSHP for safe medication use in the community. He has delivered numerous talks to groups in the Bay Area ranging from careers in pharmacy to maximizing the benefits of medication use for seniors to poison prevention. Over the years, he has been featured on local radio, TV and in newsprint, highlighting issues such as drug shortages and prescription misuse amongst the elderly.

His commitment to serve others extends beyond CSHP: he has served as a Boy Scout leader for over 30 years as well as an American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor. He is a retired Lieutenant Commander in the US Navy Reserve. He currently serves as System Director of Pharmacy Services at John Muir Health. He received his Doctorate of Pharmacy from the University of California, San Francisco School of Pharmacy.

Dr. Iyoya will be recognized for his commitment and contributions to the pharmacy profession during CSHP's Seminar 2020 Awards Ceremony on Friday, October 23, 2020.

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Founded in 1962, the California Society of Health-System Pharmacists (CSHP) is a non-profit professional association established to serve the needs of hospital and health-system pharmacists. Representing over 4,000 members who practice clinical pharmacy and specialized medicine, CSHP members share a common mission – to promote wellness, patient safety and the optimal use of medication.