

## **Jay Rho, PharmD, FCSHP, FASHP** **Named CSHP's 2024 Distinguished Service Award Recipient**

Awarded annually to one member who has made exceptional and sustained contributions to the society at the regional and state level, **Dr. Jay Rho, PharmD, FASHP, FCSHP**, has been awarded CSHP's Distinguished Service Award (DSA) for 2024.

"Throughout his exemplary career, Dr. Rho has influenced and added to the body of knowledge and practice of pharmacy in California, our nation, and the world," stated Dr. Lisa Gunther, CSHP 2020 President



Dr. Rho has been a CSHP member since 1984 and was elected CSHP President in 2004. Jay has served CSHP as chair or a member of countless committees such as the Committee on Goals, CE Committee, Committee on Nominations, Committee on Governance, and Chair of the 2013 Seminar Management Team. Dr. Rho has also served on the CSHP Foundation as a Board member and President from 2008-2010. He is also an active member of the Southern California Society of Health-System Pharmacists, having served on their Board of Directors, as President in 1997, on numerous other affiliate chapter elected positions and appointed committee positions.

Outside of CSHP, Dr. Rho has published over 35 journal articles, adding to the breadth and wealth of professional pharmacy knowledge. He has presented more than 45 abstracts at state, national, and international conferences. He has authored books, chapters of books, and manuals, and provided over 50 invited presentations at CSHP, ASHP, Kaiser Permanente, the USC School of Pharmacy, Annual Physician Assistant Board Reviews, USC School of Medicine, and other notable institutions.

Dr. Rho's career has demonstrated a consistent level of devotion that reflects his passion for showcasing the profession of pharmacy to other healthcare professionals, legislators, and the public. One of the key areas of leading from the front of the profession focuses on demonstrating a level of expertise as a clinical pharmacist through Board Certification. Dr. Rho has been awarded Board Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy and in Pharmacotherapy Specialty with Added Qualification in Infectious Diseases. These certifications recognize his



advanced knowledge and skills in these specialized areas of pharmacy practice. In addition, he was recognized by CSHP as the Pharmacist of the Year in 2008.

Dr. Rho recently retired from the University of Southern California where he served as the Director of Pharmacy for the 400+ bed Keck Hospital of USC after a 42-year career in pharmacy.

For all his accomplishments, we are proud to award Dr. Rho with this achievement. He will be recognized for his commitment and contributions to the pharmacy profession in California during CSHP's Seminar 2024 Awards Ceremony on Saturday, November 2, 2024.