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Government Affairs Advisory Committee Spotlight

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What happens in Sacramento can affect our practice and sometimes in big ways. Each year hundreds of bills are introduced into the legislature. That which affects pharmacy may be buried deep in bills that seemingly have nothing to do with our profession.



Fortunately, CSHP is vigilant for both legislation and regulation. The [Government Activities Advisory Committee \(GAAC\)](#) was formed a few decades ago. The Committee's tasks are to scan legislation and to advise the CSHP Board of Directors (BOD) on the nature of the bill, potential effect on pharmacy practice, and a priority and/or recommended course of action. This includes potentially interacting with the bill authors to remove or insert language that will keep our profession moving in the right direction. Bills come to the committee primarily from our lobbying group but also from our CEO, and members of GAAC.

GAAC, this year, was composed of 18 volunteer members including the Chair, immediate past Chair, Chair elect, a BOD liaison, and perhaps most importantly, the legislative lobbying group (Weideman Group). The legislative year began in January and was in full swing by February. This year over three thousand bills were introduced. With the Weideman groups valuable assistance the list was narrowed to 25 Assembly and 22 Senate bills. Six pieces of regulation were also tracked. Many bills begin their life as a 'spot bill' which is a bill that is somewhat vague and is used as a placeholder for a meaningful bill. Because there is little way to know whether the spot bill will turn into a health care related bill, we must follow these as well.

CSHP Minute

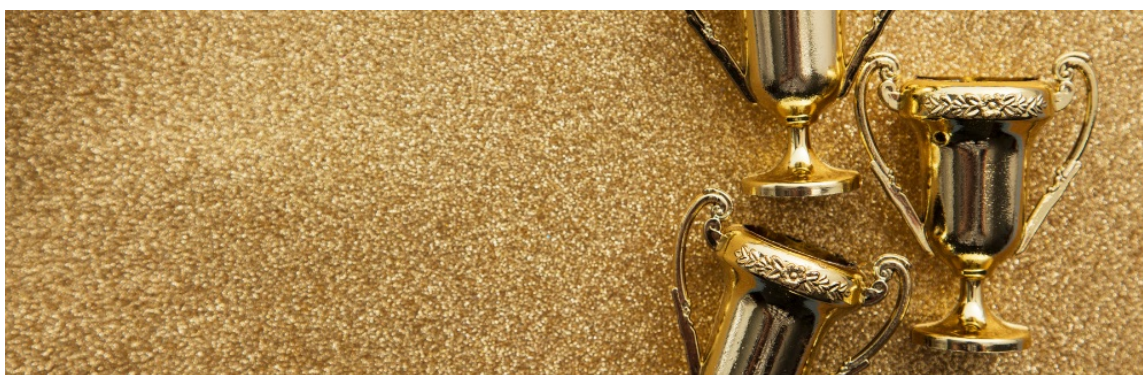
Student Chapter Newsletter Featuring: UCSF School of Pharmacy

Hear from our student members at the University of California, San Francisco, School of Pharmacy, on how they are leading the charge on the *#PharmacyEvolution* through their chapter highlights!

Check out their student feature including highlights CSHP Info Session, Legislative Day Debrief, 'Things I Wish I Knew' Mixer, RSV Vaccine Lunch Talk with Dr. Kimvi Kim and much more below!



[Read CSHP-UCSF Newsletter Here](#)



Affiliate/Student Chapter of Distinction Award Deadline is November 1st

The Affiliate & Student Chapter of Distinction Award was established to recognize chapters that show excellence in finance, business processes, membership growth, and member satisfaction.

Be sure to remind your affiliate or student chapter to submit before **November 1st** to be recognized!

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There are only three days left to submit your presentation and/or poster abstract for the 2024 Pacific Coast Patient Safety Conference!

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CSHP & Sacramento State, College of Business, MBA Program Collaboration

CSHP takes great pride in its collaboration with Sacramento State - College of Business, supporting their 'MBA for Executives' and 'Online iMBA' programs.

As health systems continue to become more complex and competitive, for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to advance in their career acquiring further education is inevitable. In institutional practice, pharmacy is commonly considered as “a business within a business.” This might not be easily understood by the lay public. For those who are in this field it is obvious that pharmacy drug expenditure and revenue capture have a significant impact on the bottom line of any institution.

An MBA comes in as a logical advanced educational choice for those who want to be more involved in the business decision of the institutional practice. **This is a great opportunity for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to grow and advance their careers in the growing healthcare profession!**

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In The News

UC Irvine Study Reveals Surge in Use of Weight Loss-linked Drugs in California Health System

UC Irvine - This study provides an essential foundation for policymakers, healthcare professionals and patients to make informed decisions on these weight loss-associated GLP-1 receptor agonists, to ensure evidence-based prescribing and supply stability,” says Jonathan Watanabe, lead author and UCI professor of clinical pharmacy.

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California Expands Paid Sick Days and Boosts Health Worker Wages

California Healthline - Gov. Gavin Newsom signed legislation expanding paid sick leave to five days, extending bereavement leave to miscarriages and failed adoptions, and approving an eventual \$25-an-hour health care minimum wage. Still, in a possible sign of national ambitions, the Democrat vetoed free condoms in schools and refused to decriminalize psychedelic mushrooms.

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The Script - October 2023

CA Board of Pharmacy - The October 2023 issue of the Board of Pharmacy’s newsletter, The Script, is now published online.

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Bakersfield.com - The DaVita Health Tour made a several-day stop in Bakersfield to offer free screenings for kidney-related issues and educate the public on early detection.

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Events

11-01 [Diablo: Educational Program](#)
11-01 [San Fernando Valley: 44th Annual Night with Industry](#)
11-02 [Quatra County: Educational Program](#)
11-07 [Diablo: Educational Program](#)
11-14 [Orange County: Educational Program](#)
11-14 [South Bay Long Beach: Educational Program](#) (New)
11-15 [Quatra County: Educational Program](#) (New)
12-13 [Quatra County: Installation Banquet & Night Out With Industry](#) (New)
02-29/03-01 Pacific Coast Patient Safety Conference 2024
04-16 California Pharmacy Policy & Legislative Day 2024

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