



Thomas Harper Named CSHP's 2023 Technician Achievement Award Recipient

Awarded annually, CSHP's Technician Achievement Award recognizes a pharmacy technician who participates in CSHP activities, provides exemplary service to the pharmacy profession, and participates in activities which promote the advancement of pharmacy technician roles within the profession. **Thomas Harper, MPH, CPhT, FCSHP, CTC**, has been selected for this year's CSHP Technician Achievement Award.



Mr. Harper has been a member of CSHP since joining as a pharmacy technician student in 2009 having served most recently as the pharmacy technician director from 2020 through 2022. He has also served as the chairperson for the Pharmacy Technician Executive Leadership (PTEL) for two terms, been an active member of the PTEL team, a member of the Government Affairs Advisory Committee (GAAC), and a member of the Organizational Performance Council (OPC). At the local level, Mr. Harper has served as the pharmacy technician liaison for the Sacramento Valley Society of Health-System Pharmacists and was awarded the inaugural chapter member of the year in 2022.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Tom worked with CSHP CEO, Loriann DeMartini, and CSHP Board of Directors to get an immunization training certification course developed and implemented so that California pharmacy technicians could assist in this crucial time. In results, Mr. Harper was one of the first CSHP pharmacy technicians to take this certification course and immunize for COVID-19 at the UC Davis Mass Vaccine Site. This was a great opportunity for pharmacy technicians, but it helped alleviate some of the burden pharmacists and other healthcare professionals were facing during his difficult time.

Mr. Harper continues to work with the CSHP Board of Directors and the CA Board of Pharmacy to continue to advocate for the advancement of pharmacy technician practice where he drafted language and presented it to the Board of Pharmacy licensing committee that helped steer the pharmacy technician summit conducted in April 2022.

For all his accomplishments, we are proud to award Mr. Harper with this achievement. He will be recognized for his commitment and contributions to the pharmacy profession in California during CSHP's Seminar 2023 Awards Ceremony on Saturday, October 14, 2023.