New Member Packet
2021-2022

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MSHP Purpose and Goals

The Massachusetts Society of Health-System Pharmacists (MSHP) was founded in 1945 to foster the professional growth of hospital pharmacy in Massachusetts. In the 1960’s, MSHP became affiliated with the American Society of Hospital Pharmacists (ASHP) now known as the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

In 1997, we changed our name and developed a new mission statement reflecting pharmacy as a part of an integrated health-system. Today, MSHP represents over 1,900 pharmacists and pharmacy technicians working in organized health-systems throughout the Commonwealth. For over fifty years, the members of MSHP have worked together in the achievement of common professional goals.

These goals include the following: advancement of rational drug therapy in organized healthcare settings through the provision of pharmaceutical care; advancement and encouragement of professional excellence by providing leadership, direction, education and communication among its members practicing in healthcare systems; fostering of closer relationships between health-system pharmacy, other pharmaceutical disciplines and health care providers.

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MSHP Committees

Programming Committee
Responsible for ensuring consistent and efficient continuing education (CE) programming, including the annual conference, as well as overseeing non-CE programming.

Committee Chair: Erica Houseman and Jeff Pearson

Annual Meeting Subcommittee
Designs and coordinates programming and events for the second day of the annual meeting event. Responsible for the planning and coordination of the Annual Meeting event, including the leadership forum, the Honors & Awards reception, the membership open session.

Committee Chair: Erica Houseman and Jeff Pearson

Honors & Awards Subcommittee
Develops awards, selects recipients, and coordinates the Installation & Awards Banquet.

Committee Chair: Mike Gonyeau, mgonyeau@bwh.harvard.edu

Early Careerist Network Committee
Coordinates mentoring program and networking events.

Committee Co-Chair: Emily Dionne, emily.dionne@umassmemorial.org
Nick Servatti, Nicholas.Servati@umassmemorial.org

Legislative Committee
Monitors current legislative and regulatory activities in Massachusetts, provides testimony on bills and regulation as appropriate and liaise with other state Pharmacy professional organizations.

Chair: Jacqueline MacCormack-Gagnon
Co-Chair: Jinkyu Lee

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Membership Committee
Determines membership needs, welcomes new members, and plans recruitment strategies.

Chair: Mattia Migliore

Communications Committee
The Communications Committee is responsible for communicating the news of the Society and relevant pharmacy issues to the membership. The committee is comprised of several sections: the MSHP Website, social media and the Newsbriefs. Email blasts are sent directly to membership from the MSHP office.

Newsbrief Co-Chair: Barbara Irby. Responsible for the newsletter aspect of communications.
Social Media Co-Chairs: Monica Mahoney. Responsible for the social media aspect of communications.

Pharmacy Technician Committee
Plans society activities, including continuing education, focused on technicians.

Committee Chair: Julie Lanza, jlanza@bidmc.harvard.edu

Residency Program Committee
Develops strategies to encourage the development of best practices in residency training with Massachusetts pharmacy residency programs. Plans and provides opportunities for networking and contributes to preceptor development and pharmacy resident programming.

Committee Chair: Ruchit Marfatia, rmarfatia@melrosewakefield.org

Help Make the Magic Happen
Joining a committee is a great way to build your resume, make connections, and make a difference in your profession. Let us know you’re ready to take the next step and get involved with MSHP!

Visit: mashp.org/committee
Resources available for members

Advocacy
Regular updates on the latest news and legislation that affects your profession or your work environment including testimony submitted by MSHP and calls to action from our state and national Legislative Committees available on the website. Regulatory updates also sent to director of pharmacy for each member institution.

MSHP Delegates to ASHP
MSHP delegates are appointed to the ASHP House of Delegates which is responsible for the approval of professional policies and represent the Society's stance on important issues related to health-system pharmacy practice and medication use.

Continuing Education Opportunities
Continuing Education Opportunities are available throughout the year at a reduced rate for MSHP members. Some examples of past CE activities that MSHP has hosted include:
- Finding the Sweet Spot: A Framework for Diabetes Management in Older Adults
- 2021 Resident Welcome Event
- It’s the End of the World as We Know It- Updates on Treatment of Gram-Negative Infections
- Webinar: Preparing for the Massachusetts MPJE 2021 (Parts I & II)
- Webinar: Acute on Chronic: Management of Marijuana Misadventures
- Webinar: A Rash of Beta-Lactam Allergies
- Herbal Supplement & Marijuana Use Pre-Post Transplant
- Webinar: Technician CE on Specialty Pharmacy: No Prior Authorization Required
- Between a Rock and a Hard Pace: Creative Pain Management in Palliative Care
- Webinar: Sharing the Love: Optimizing Care and Support for our LGBTQIA+ Patients and Colleagues
- Webinar: COVID Vax Facts

Hospital Liaison
Hospital liaison appointed at each member institution to facilitate communication between MSHP and each member institution. For a list of liaisons, please contact MSHP.

Pharmacist Resources
Links to DEA advisories, notices about changes in pharmacy regulations, and helpful toolkits are conveniently located and readily accessible on the MSHP website.

Resident/Student Resources
Early Careerist Network provides an opportunity for current pharmacy students, pharmacy residents, and recent graduates to network and participate in MSHP. Resources for residency application and interviews are also available on the MSHP website.

Technician Resources
Information on certification and recertification for technicians is available on the MSHP website as well as links to the ASHP Pharmacy Technician Resource Center which provides information and resources for pharmacy technicians such as
information on training and education, professional resources for career advancement, and more. Information is also provided about the Connect Community which is a platform for pharmacy technicians to discuss professional issues and to connect with other pharmacy colleagues across the country.

**Helpful Links**
Helpful links are located on the MSHP website for easy access to pharmacy resources on regulatory practices and changes such as the Board of Registration in Pharmacy, Department of Public Health, etc.

**Career Center**
MSHP Career Center provides a forum for pharmacy employers to recruit pharmacy candidates by posting employment opportunities on Career Center and for pharmacists seeking new career opportunities to review available positions and even upload their resumes on the website for review by potential employers.