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President's Message

Dear Colleagues,

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and that you are eager to get started in 2017. Many of us make New Year's resolutions that involve some type of change in our lives – diet, exercise, personality, etc., with goals of losing X amount of pounds or going to gym X amount of times per week, or volunteering more often, and many more. I am proud to announce that the council is well on its way to achieving our resolution goals that I made during my installation. We have successfully transitioned to our new operation and support team and improved services. We will be unveiling our new logo in January along with the introduction of our new website. We are working on getting media recognition and increased exposure for NYSCHP and the profession in New York State. Have you noticed our increased presence on social media? We are very close to getting the technician bill on the agenda of the Higher Education Committee. This bill would require mandatory registration and certification for technicians working in a health system setting. We still have much more to do, but much of what we have accomplished to date would not have been achieved without the hard work and dedication of our Executive Director Shaun Flynn, our board of directors, and of course our chapter leaders and members. Each and every one of us has contributed to the success of our organization and our continued success and improvement is dependent on our uninterrupted engagement and ownership of NYSCHP and the local chapters.

Important dates to remember:

- January 31st: Award nominations (see list of awards on the website)
- February 5th: Resolution Submissions
- March 3rd Bernard Mehl Leadership Award nomination (Contact Bob DiGregorio)
- April 27th – 30th The 57th Annual Assembly at The Sagamore Resort
- April 28th – 30th Residency Research and Practice Forum, The Sagamore Resort

In the upcoming months we will see NYSCHP partner with AARP throughout the state to present educational programs on medication risk and transitions of care to the caregivers and members of AARP. We have also partnered with the Pennsylvania Hospital Association to offer a webinar series on Antimicrobial Stewardship.

I look forward to the next few months in working to achieve the goals we set in April 2016. I am confident that with the help and participation from all of our members, we will be able to meet all of our goals. I wish you all the same success at meeting and exceeding your 2017 goals.

Joseph Pinto
President, NYSCHP

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LOGO REDESIGN CONTEST WINNER

Notice anything new on this news brief? For almost a year, NYSCHP has looked into rebranding itself in order to give the organization a face lift. In order to engage our members, NYSCHP launched the **NYSCHP Logo RE-design contest**. For several months we've advertised heavily through social media, news briefs, and through chapter leads. In a matter of a few months we had over 30 logo submissions from members of different chapters.

The BOD is pleased to announce that after numerous discussions, we have finally chosen our NEW logo for NYSCHP. The logo design idea was submitted by **Fawad Piracha**, a post-doctoral fellow at Regeneron Pharmaceuticals in Tarrytown. Dr. Piracha is a licensed pharmacist in New York State and received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from St. John's University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in May 2016. He is a member of both the Westchester and New York City chapters and practices at an independent community pharmacy. Congratulations Dr. Piracha!



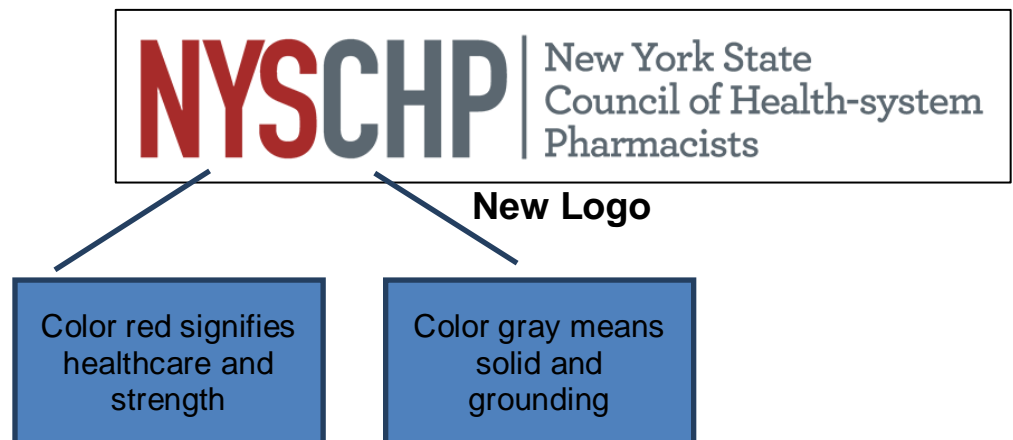
Dr. Fawad Piracha

NYSCHP would also like to acknowledge the other NYSCHP members who submitted their design ideas. We are so proud of the commitment and the dedication that our members have shown through their participation. We should all commend ourselves for accomplishing such a feat.

So what does the new logo signifies to the organization? The meaning can be found in the colors used. The red fonts signify healthcare and strength. It sends a message that our organization is strong and resilient. The gray fonts stand for grounding and solid, which mean we are strongly connected to the profession of pharmacy for which this organization represents. We cannot think of a better way to present our organization.

Thank you again to the following members who participated in the logo design idea:

- Bethany Abrahams
- Andrew Kaplan
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- Gregory Daniele
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- Anna Yeremchuk
- Ted Nappi
- Angela Cheng



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

By Monica Mehta, PharmD, MPH, BCPS
Vice President, Public Policy
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You've been keeping up with national politics, but how about New York? Here's a quick update.... Democratic Governor (Andrew Cuomo) and NYC Mayor (Bill de Blasio) have signaled their desire to be progressive alternatives to largely conservative republican policies coming from Washington D.C. They will be working to challenge national agendas such as repealing the Affordable Care Act, enhancing enforcement on immigration, limiting the US efforts on climate change, and decreasing regulation. In the New York State Assembly, Democrats remain in control with 106 out of 150 seats and led by Speaker of the Assembly Carl Heastly. The Senate is controlled by 31 republicans with Senator John Flanagan as the house Majority Leader.

It will be a contentious year! Areas of focus for NY State include: investment in life sciences, the Affordable Care Act, women's health and reproductive rights, medical marijuana, water quality, opioids, undocumented immigrants, college affordability, and more.

From a NYSCHP perspective, we are continuing to work on the technician registration and certification bill as our primary focus. It is an amended version of last year's bifurcated bill, i.e. registration for all technicians and certification for technicians who work in hospitals and perform compounding. We have reached consensus with the major stakeholders (e.g. PSSNY, 1199) and have formatted the bill to the State Education Department standards. We are cautiously optimistic that this bill will pass, but need our members to launch into an extensive grassroots campaign to help make this happen. It will be easy for our bill to fall by the wayside in comparison to the battles over the ACA, immigration, and reproductive rights if we do not use our voice to advocate for it's merit. Potential benefits of the technician bill include: allowing pharmacists to work at the top of their licenses, decreasing risk of drug diversion, and increasing patient safety. NYSCHP is also advocating for a bill to allow pharmacy interns to immunize under the supervision of a licensed and certified pharmacist. Stay tuned for updates including grassroots material for talking to your legislators.

As a reminder, you can find your local legislators by putting in your zip code to the NY Senate and Assembly websites.

<http://nyassembly.gov/>

<https://www.nysenate.gov/registration/nojs/form/start/find-my-senator>

Please contact me (monicamehta@mac.com) or Shaun Flynn (sflynn@nyschp.org) if you have any questions.

STUDENT CORNER

Advancement of pharmacy practice in NYS requires a collaborative effort from **ALL** members of the profession, including students. NYSCHP would like the voice of our SSHP members to be heard in regards to policies and initiatives considered necessary for expanding our roles in healthcare. As soon-to-be future pharmacists, it is vital to be aware of the issues facing our profession and to advocate for change through legislation.

"Actions of the New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists are expressed as resolutions submitted in writing according to the Regulations of the NYSCHP House of Delegates. Resolutions may register an opinion or may recommend action be taken by the NYSCHP. The resolution should be clear, concise and specific. The substance should be well researched, and reflect the character and interests of the NYSCHP and the pharmacy profession." A sample resolution can be found on page 7 of this news brief. When submitting a resolution, it must be **signed by two active members**.

We hope that all NYS SSHP chapters will submit their own resolutions to identify issues that are relevant to students and to consolidate efforts in preparation for lobbying at Albany Day. **Resolutions should be emailed to Shaun Flynn, sflynn@nyschp.org by February 3rd.**

Furthermore, we highly encourage student attendance to the following events for additional involvement in pharmacy leadership. More information to come!

- Albany Day: April 25th
- NYSCHP Annual Assembly: April 28th – 30th



SSHP Members

Student members! Interested in contributing to the news brief? Want to have your article featured in the next issue? Please contact NYSCHP Director of Communications Dr. Catherine Millares-Sipin at cmillaressipin@gmail.com for more information.

Midyear Clinical Meeting

The 2016 ASHP Midyear New York State reception was held on Sunday December 4th at the Mandalay Bay Hotel in Las Vegas. Approximately 250 pharmacists, residents and students came together to network on the first day of the Midyear and recognize New York's own Dr. Mary Choy as the 2016 ASHP/ABHP Joint Leadership Awards Recipient.

The 2016 reception was sponsored by the Council, Touro College of Pharmacy, Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, LIU Arnold and Marie Schwartz College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, St. John Fisher Wegmans School of Pharmacy, D'Youville College School of Pharmacy and Binghamton University School of Pharmacy.



Shaun Flynn and Dr. Mary Choy

It's that time again... to submit your resolutions

Deadline for Submission: February 3rd, 2017

RESOLUTIONS*

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Each resolution should be written in a common format. Each resolution has three (3) parts: the heading, the preamble and the operative clause. It is one long sentence with commas and semicolons throughout the resolution, with a period at the very end. All operative clauses end with a semicolon except the final clause, which ends in a period.

HEADING

Committee: i.e. the committee in which the resolution is introduced.

Topic: the topic of the resolution

Sponsored by: List the sponsors whose signatures appear at the bottom of the resolution.

PREAMBLE

The purpose of the preamble is to demonstrate that there is a problem that needs to be solved or resolved. The preamble of the resolution does everything but propose the action or make any substantive statement in the topic at hand. Each clause of the preamble begins with "Whereas" followed by a comma and the next word should begin with a capital letter. The preamble, regardless of how many paragraphs should never contain a period. The last paragraph of the preamble should close with a semicolon, after which a connecting expression, such as "therefore, be it: or "now therefore be it" can be added. The statements contained in the "Whereas" clause have no legal effect.

OPERATIVE CLAUSE

Operative clauses are set to achieve the NYSCHP's main policy or goals on the topic. Each operative clause ends with a semicolon and the final clause ends with a period. Operative clauses should be organized in a logical progression and each clause should contain a single idea or policy proposal. The word resolved is printed in italics and is followed by a comma and the word "That" should begin with a capital "T". If there is more than one resolving clause, each clause should be in a separate paragraph. Each paragraph begins with the word "*Resolved, That*". A resolving paragraph should not contain a period within the paragraph.

Whereas, The... [text of the preamble]; now, therefore, be it

Resolved That ... [stating action to be taken].

*The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure; Alice Sturgis, The New Robert's Rules of Order.

Sample Resolution

Committee: Central New York Chapter of Health-system Pharmacists

Topic: Certification of technicians in New York State

Sponsored: Roy Guharoy, Russell Yandon

Registration of Pharmacy Technicians

Whereas, Hospital pharmacists have moved into clinical patient-care roles requiring more freedom from distribution, dispensing and manual tasks, and,

Whereas, Pharmacy technicians are being increasingly used to perform such work, and,

Whereas, There are large numbers of technicians working in hospitals in New York State over the past couple of decades; many in long-term employment, and,

Whereas, Pharmacy technicians give valuable support which enables pharmacists to use their cognitive services for better patient care, and,

Whereas, While not requiring knowledge framework of a pharmacist, the duties performed by technicians are often crucial; involving precision, trust, risk and excellence, and, oversight and regulation would be helpful for patient safety and quality of care, and,

Whereas, More technician participation and recognition should increase progress, accountability, efficiency, and job satisfaction in pharmacy practice, therefore , be it

Resolved That:

The New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists supports registration of all pharmacy technicians in New York State.

Date: _____

By: _____

Roy Guharoy and Russell Yandon*

**-Resolutions must be signed by two active members*

Resolutions should be emailed to Shaun Flynn, sflynn@nyschp.org.

NYCSHP and Local Chapter Upcoming Events

January 2017

- January 25th: Royals CE Program at Cannoli's Corner, Maspeth, NY
- January 26th: Westchester CE Program
- January 31st: Western CE Program

February 2017

- February 7th: NYCSHP Networking Program
- February 9th: NYCSHP Networking Program
- February 15th: LISHP CE Program – Organ Donation and Transplantation
- February 15th: NYCSHP Mentoring Event
- February 16th: NYCSHP CE Program
- February 22nd: NYCSHP Ronald McDonald House
- February 22nd: Royals CE on Medication Safety, at Trattoria 35, Bayside, NY
- February 27th - March 3rd: NYCSHP Medical Mission to India

March

- March 9th: NYCSHP Mentoring Event
- March 14th: LISHP CE Program – Resident Research Symposium
- March 16th: NYCSHP CE Program
- March 22nd: Royals CE on Pharmacists Role with LVAD Patients, at Gargiulo's, Brooklyn, NY

April 2017

- April 8th: NYCSHP Special Projects CE Program
- April 19th: QUAD Chapter CE Program (Hosted by NYCSHP)
- April 28th: NYCSHP 56th Annual Assembly

May 2017

- May 21st: NYCSHP AIDS Walk

June 2017

- June 27th: LISHP Installation Dinner and CE Program



New York State Council of Health-system
Pharmacists

Residency Research & Practice Forum

Friday, April 28th

The Sagamore Resort, Bolton Landing NY

Format:

Twenty minute time blocks with a 10-12 minute PowerPoint presentation and 3-5 minutes for questions

Cost:

\$375 (resident or preceptor) and includes:

Complimentary registration for the Annual Assembly and Accommodations (Friday & Saturday nights, double occupancy)

Preceptors: Challenge your residents to develop their research abilities and strengthen leadership skills.

Residents: Present the results of your research in a platform presentation with the opportunity to network with colleagues and leaders in the profession.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

11:00AM – 11:15AM	INTRODUCTION
11:15AM – 12:00PM	LEADERSHIP DISCUSSION
12:00PM – 1:20PM	RESIDENT PLATFORM PRESENTATIONS
1:20PM – 2:00PM	LUNCH
2:00PM – 3:20PM	RESIDENT PLATFORM PRESENTATIONS
3:20PM – 3:40PM	BREAK
3:40PM – 5:00PM	RESIDENT PLATFORM PRESENTATIONS
5:00PM – 7:00PM	EXHIBITS & POSTER SESSION
8:00PM – 11:00PM	THEME DINNER DANCE

Additional Opportunities available through participation in the Annual Assembly:

- Preceptor Development
- Preceptor Town Hall
- Continuing Education
- Theme Party & Installation & Awards Banquet
- Engage in networking opportunities
- Display an additional project during the Poster Session (see www.NYSCHP.org for submission details)

**Registration opens online on January 13
and
closes on February 24, 2017**

<http://www.nyschp.org/>

**Required materials must be submitted by
February 24, 2017**

Includes title of presentation, CV, Conflict of Interest Disclosure, learning objective, self-assessment question and abstract

Payment Due February 24, 2017

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Date*

New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists



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Rebrand. Renew. Recharge.

April 28-30, 2017

The Sagamore Resort in Bolton Landing, NY

Join us for a weekend of
Networking, Continuing
Education, Residency
Conference, Exhibits, and a
fun filled themed party!





From NYSCHP
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