

I. New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists Introduction

The New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists (NYSCHP) represents New York State pharmacists who practice in hospitals, long-term care facilities and other health facilities. There are approximately 2,000 members of NYSCHP, along with a well-established network of leaders serving on the state board of directors, committees, and as chapter officers at the local level. Eleven regional chapters provide programming to pharmacists practicing in health care facilities throughout New York State.

NYSCHP is active in the community involving itself in outreach programs, including school and public programs, medical centers, teaching hospitals, and others. For example, NYSCHP members provide talks with senior citizen groups, stressing the importance of avoiding adverse drug interactions, adherence to prescribed drug therapies, and awareness of drug expirations.

Approved by the Accreditation Council for Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE) as a provider of continuing education, the New York State Council on Health-system Pharmacists offers a full spectrum of continuing education programs. Presented to members and non-members alike, either free or at a minimal cost, these programs are offered throughout the year - at the Annual Assembly, at the Midyear Clinical Meeting, Winter Educational Program and Summer Educational Program and by its chapters at varying times in between.

I. WELCOME LETTER

Congratulations as you assume a new position with the New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists!

The Leadership Development Committee has organized this manual as a “How To Do It” guide for you in your new role. It includes not only philosophical and strategic missions for the Council but also provides position descriptions for the Board of Directors and Local Chapter Officers, how to communicate within the existing Council Structure, responsibilities of the various committees, who to report to and how to report to them and a series of articles which should provide the seeds for effective leadership, whether it applies to council activities or other roles where management of people is important. This manual should be passed on to your successor at the end of your term.

In order to determine the utility of this information, an Evaluation Form may be found at the end of this packet. Please send this form to the Council office, Attention: Leadership Development Committee Chair, by the end of your current position.

Have a challenging and successful year in your new position.

Sincerely,

Chair
Leadership Development Committee