ACPE REPORT

Annual Report of the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education

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Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education

This is the 73rd annual report of the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). This report summarizes ACPE’s activities covering the period January 13, 2003 to January 19, 2004, and is available to the profession and to the general public.

In the past year, ACPE successfully undertook its responsibilities and advanced various aspects of the Strategic Plan. The Board and staff successfully implemented Council policies, procedures and standards related to quality assurance and enhancement of professional degree and continuing pharmacy education programs, and to the administration and management of these programs.

HIGHLIGHTS

The following highlighted the ACPE year:

- Our name was changed to the Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education.
- Our newsletter, ACPE Update, was initiated and a new informational brochure was developed.
- A status report on the ACPE Strategic Plan was published and distributed to constituents.
- A summary of accreditation activities is:
  - For the professional degree accreditation program:
    - Full site visits: 14 (Customary 6-year term, n=8; 2-year term, n=5; 1-year term, n=1)
    - Focused site visits (for additional monitoring): 11
    - Interim reports: 42
  - New program evaluation activities:
    - Pre-candidate status granted: 1
    - Candidate status granted: 3
    - Continued candidate status granted: 2
    - Full accreditation status granted: 2
  - For the continuing education provider accreditation program:

- Petitions: 39
- New Applications: 23
- Early reviews for recent new applicants: 49
- Interim Reports: 102
- Progress Reports: 3
- Discontinuations: 14

- The ACPE Report of the Proceedings was modified to include the last year of accreditation review and the length of the new accreditation term for professional degree programs and continuing pharmacy education providers. The ACPE Report of the Proceedings is distributed electronically to ACPE constituents.
- It was announced that the ACPE directories of accredited programs would no longer be printed and distributed, but rather would be available on the ACPE web site and as a downloadable document.
- The review and revision process for the professional degree program standards was initiated in the spring of 2003. The ACPE Board will consider responses from constituent organizations and a web-based survey of all programs during 2004.
- The AACP-ACPE Task Force of Assessment and Accreditation completed its assignment by developing and submitting drafts of proposed standardized student, faculty, preceptor and alumni surveys for implementation by AACP.
- A new definition of continuing education in pharmacy, with a document to guide interpretation, was approved by the Board and distributed to the ACPE constituents.
- The 10th Conference on Continuing Pharmacy Education was held in Seattle, Washington, in September 2003. The conference was attended by 270 individuals and, based on participant evaluations, was well received.
- A third Council meeting, devoted to Board and staff education and strategic thinking, was held in August 2003.
- As part of its assessment activities, ACPE conducted a web-based survey of those it accredits.
and the individuals that participate in the accreditation process. The results were reported to the ACPE Board and will be published in ACPE Update in the first edition of 2004.

- Four new Board appointees, for July 1, 2004 – June 30, 2010 tenures, were designated (appointing organization in parentheses):
  - William Gouveia, MS, Director of Pharmacy, Tufts-New England Medical Center (APhA)
  - George R. Spratto, PhD, Dean, West Virginia University School of Pharmacy (AACP)
  - Joan Straumanis, PhD, President, Antioch College (ACE)
  - Don Williams, RPh, FASHP, Executive Director, State of Washington Department of Health (NABP)

Their orientation period began with attendance at the January 2004 ACPE Board meeting.

- A scholar-in-residence program was initiated, in collaboration with the AACP CPE Section. Kristin Kari Janke, PhD, Assistant Dean for Educational Development and the Continuing Education Director, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, is undertaking a project entitled: Learning Outcomes in Continuing Pharmacy Education - An Online Resource for Continuing Education Providers.

- The project, A Survey of the Status of Community Pharmacy Practice Experiences in the Final Year of the Curriculum at U.S. Colleges and Schools of Pharmacy: Spring 2003, conducted by ACPE staff member Dr. Dawn Zarembski and funded by a grant from the Institute for the Advancement of Community Pharmacy, was completed. The findings were shared with the ACPE and AACP boards, presented to the PEP SIG at the July 2003 AACP Annual Meeting and, on request, were posted on the AACP PEP SIG web page. A manuscript is in preparation.

- Interactions with international colleagues involved in assuring quality pharmacy education included ACPE:
  - Hosting the sabbaticals of two colleagues from Japan:
    - Yumi Koyama, PhD, College of Pharmacy, Nihon University
    - Makiko Kusama, MPh, Department of Pharmacy, University of Tokyo Hospital

The education system for pharmacists in Japan is undergoing major changes and ACPE continues to work with colleagues in Japan to assist them in this process. Dr. Koyama and Dr. Kosama were observers at ACPE board meetings and an evaluation site visit.

- Organizing and participating in the third International Forum on Quality Assurance of Pharmacy Education at the International Pharmacy Federation annual meeting in Sydney, Australia in September 2003; and

- Attending, by invitation, the Canadian Council on Accreditation on Pharmacy Programs annual meeting in May 2003.

- ACPE Publications
  - ACPE staff member, Dr. Ulric Chung, published Maintaining Quality Pharmaceutical Education in the Digital Age in the American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy.
  - ACPE staff members, Drs. Dimitra Travlos and Dawn Zarembski, published Standards for Continuing Pharmacy Education: Role of the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education.
  - ACPE staff member, Michael Rouse, was the lead author of the White Paper on Pharmacy Technicians, endorsed by the members of the Council on Credentialing in Pharmacy (CCP) and published in American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy, Journal of American Pharmacists Association, Journal of Managed Care Pharmacy and Journal of Pharmaceutical Technology.

- Mr. Rouse also made an invited presentation on Continuing Professional Development in Pharmacy to a joint session of the Joint Commission of Pharmacy Practitioners (JCPP) and CCP.

- In response to a request from CCP, ACPE coordinated a profession-wide, yearlong dialog on the issue of quality assurance of pharmacy technician education and training. The results will be reported to CCP in February 2004. Grant support of $25,000 was received from Merck and Co. to offset process-related expenses.

- Technology infrastructure upgrades related to the ACPE web site, the continuing education Program Description Form (PDF) submission web tool and the Pharmacist Learning Assistance Network (P.L.A.N.®) database were completed.

**ACPE ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION**

Meetings

Board of Directors and New Officers

The officers and members of the Board of Directors during this reporting period were: President-Dennis K. Helling, PharmD, FCCP, FASHP, Executive Director, Pharmacy Operations and Therapeutics, Kaiser Permanente Colorado Region, Aurora, Colorado; Vice-President-Mary Anne Koda-Kimble, PharmD, Professor of Clinical Pharmacy and Dean of the University of California, San Francisco School of Pharmacy, San Francisco, California; Secretary-Treasurer-Terry A. Short, RPh, Regional Vice President, Northeast, The Medicine Shoppe International, Inc., East Greenwich, Rhode Island; Paul G. Boisseau, RPh, ScD, Executive Secretary, New Hampshire Board of Pharmacy, Concord, New Hampshire; Barbara F. Brandt, PhD, Assistant Vice President for Education and Professor of Pharmaceutical Care and Health Systems, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Betty Jean Harris, PharmD, Director of Clinical Services, Colonial Healthcare, Pompano Beach, Florida; David E. Holmstrom, RPh, JD, Executive Director, Minnesota State Board of Pharmacy, Minneapolis, Minnesota; John R. Johannes, PhD, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Villanova University, Villanova, Pennsylvania; Wm. Whitaker Moose, RPh, ScD, Community Pharmacy Practitioner, Mt. Pleasant, North Carolina; and S. William Zito, PhD, Professor Pharmaceutical Sciences, St. John’s University, College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions, Jamaica, New York.

New Officers

Officers for the January 2004-January 2005 year, elected by the ACPE Board of Directors during the January 14-18, 2004 meeting, are as follows: President-Terry A. Short, RPh, Regional Vice President, Northeast, The Medicine Shoppe International, Inc.; Vice President-Paul G. Boisseau, RPh, ScD, Executive Secretary, New Hampshire Board of Pharmacy; and Secretary/Treasurer-S. William Zito, PhD, Professor Pharmaceutical Sciences, St. John’s University College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions. They assumed office following the January 2004 meeting.

Staff

In October 2003, Heather Evans joined the ACPE staff in the position of Program Assistant, Continuing Pharmacy Education Provider Accreditation. Prior to joining ACPE, Heather was a marketing assistant for a Chicago-based company.

In 2003, the ACPE staff consisted of Peter H. Vlasses, PharmD, BCPS, FCCP Executive Director; Jeffrey W. Wadelin, PhD, Associate Executive Director and Director, Professional Degree Program Accreditation; Dimitra V. Travlos, PharmD, BCPS, Assistant Executive Director and Director, Continuing Pharmacy Education Provider Accreditation; J. Gregory Boyer, PhD, Assistant Executive Director, Accreditation Evaluation and Research; Ulric K. Chung, PhD, Assistant Executive Director, Accreditation Evaluation and Research; Dawn G. Zarembski, PharmD, BCPS, Assistant Executive Director, Accreditation Evaluation and Research; Michael J. Rouse, BPharm, MPS, Assistant Executive Director, International and Professional Affairs; Sharon L. Hudson, Assistant Executive Director, Administrative Services; Genevieve M. Kosic, Program Assistant, Professional Degree Program Accreditation; and, Aimee Malinowski, Administrative Services Assistant.

Appreciation

ACPE Board and Staff wish to thank wholeheartedly the tireless efforts of the many volunteers (names underlined below) in all aspects of its activities who care for the quality of pharmacy education and who contribute generously of their time.

Public Interest Panel

The ACPE Public Interest Panel met on June 23, 2003, and January 5, 2004, to discuss the professional programs scheduled for review by the ACPE Board of Directors during its June 2003 and January 2004 meetings. Evaluation team reports and other materials associated with the evaluation of the professional degree programs were duly considered. The comments and recommendations of the Panel were considered by the Board. Panel members are Sandra J. Branda, BS, JD, LLM; Stephen K. Dome, BA in Economics and MBA in International Finance, and Joel Marie Hill, JD, MPH.

Practitioner Advisory Committee. To broaden the input of pharmacists from various practice settings, ACPE approached pharmacy organizations to provide ACPE assistance in on-site reviews of professional degree programs (consistent with U.S. Department of Education recognition requirements for ACPE), field review of CE provider accreditation petitions and general advice on ACPE activities. The members of this committee and their affiliations are: Janett Carmichael (American College of Clinical Pharmacy), Veterans Administration Medical Center, Reno, Nevada; Jeff Carson (National Community Pharmacists Association), San Antonio, Texas; Judith Sommers Hanson (National Association of Chain Drug Stores), Sean Jeffery (American Society of Consultant Pharmacists), Connecticut VA Healthcare System, West Haven, Connecticut; Sharon Jones (The National Pharmaceutical Association), Clinical Pharmacist Consultant, Chicago, Illinois; James R. Knight (American Society of Health-System Pharmacists), Vanderbilt University Health Systems, Nashville, Tennessee; Paul W. Lofholm

(American College of Apothecaries), Ross Valley Pharmacy, Kentfield, California; Darlene M. Mednick (Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy), Merck-Medeo Managed Care, L.L.C., Franklin Lakes, New Jersey; Rebecca Rogers Prevost (American College of Clinical Pharmacy), Florida Hospital-Celebration Health, Celebration, Florida; Anthony Provenzano (National Association of Chain Drug Stores), Franklin Park, Illinois; John Sherrer (National Community Pharmacists Association), Marietta, Georgia; Donna L. Soflin (American Society of Health-System Pharmacists), Tri-County Hospital, Lexington, Nebraska; and Robert Treitline (National Council of State Pharmacy Association Executives), North Dakota Pharmacies, Inc., Dickinson, North Dakota.

CE Provider Advisory Committee. The Committee, with representatives from various types and sizes of CE providers, advises ACPE on matters related to the CE provider accreditation process. The members are: James Appleby, American Pharmacists Association; William Feinberg, W-F Professional Associates, Inc.; Maureen Garrity, Fujisawa Healthcare, Inc.; Barbara Hammonds, American Society of Health System Pharmacists; Alan Hanson, University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy, Extension Services in Pharmacy; Kristin Janke, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy; Peggy Kuehl, American College of Clinical Pharmacy; James Magrann, Wolters Kluwer Health; Terri McEntaffer, Illinois Pharmacy Association; Jennifer Moulton, Iowa Pharmacy Association; Linda Norton, University of the Pacific School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; Gordon Vanscoy, University Pharmacotherapy Associates, LLC; and Bob Williams, Kansas Pharmacy Association.

Strategic Planning Process

The Board’s Critical Issue Teams continued to review and act on the strategic plan at ACPE Board meetings. In August 2003 the Board met in a special third meeting to have educational sessions on topics of interest to the Board and staff and to devote additional time to strategic plan deliberations. The strategic plan is posted on the ACPE website (www.acpe-accredit.org). A progress report on the strategic plan was published in the ACPE Update in fall 2003. A strategic planning retreat is being planned for fall 2004 with outgoing Board members invited to give their perspective.

Publications and Distribution

ACPE publications included the Annual Directory of Professional Programs of Colleges and Schools of Pharmacy and the Directory of Accredited Providers of Continuing Pharmacy Education, which were posted on the ACPE website. These publications provide both program/provider accreditation information and public information regarding the ACPE accreditation processes. In the future, the annual directories will include a downloadable and printable version on the website. ACPE Report of the Proceedings was published twice during the year, in February and July. The July 2003 Report included a listing of the programs of Colleges and Schools of Pharmacy to be considered for accreditation/preaccreditation during the 2003-2004 academic year. Opportunity was given for the submission of written comments concerning qualifications for accreditation or preaccreditation. No comments were received.

Staff Communication and Outreach Activities

A fundamental aspect of the staff communications and outreach activities involves ACPE’s founding organizations, American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP), the American Pharmacists Association (APhA), and the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP). With the assistance of Board members, ongoing interactions exist with these organizations and staff. A summary of specific activities is presented as follows:

AACP. ACPE Board members, Drs. Brandt and Zito, and staff members, Drs. Boyer, Vlasses and Wadelin, attended the AACP Board of Directors meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on July 18, 2003, and discussed matters of common interest. The report of the AACP-ACPE Task Force on Assessment and Accreditation and the results of the ACPE surveys of advanced community pharmacy experiential directors and preceptors were discussed, as were plans for continued collaboration in the 2003-2004 year.

APhA. At the APhA Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana, on March 28, 2003, President Helling, Board member Harris, and staff members, Drs. Vlasses and Wadelin and Mr. Rouse, met with the APhA Board and discussed matters of mutual concern.

NABP. Board members, Drs. Boisseau, Holmstrom and Moose, and staff members, Drs. Vlasses and Wadelin and Mr. Rouse, met with the NABP Executive Committee at the NABP Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on May 2, 2003. Topics of mutual interest from a predetermined agenda were discussed.

Regular communication meetings including Dr. Carmen Catizone (NABP), Dr. John Gans (APhA), Dr. Lucinda Maine (AACP) and Dr. Vlasses (ACPE) were held.

In addition, the ACPE staff were active in interactions and activities designed to enhance ACPE’s ability to: conduct its core activities; keep abreast of developments in the field of accreditation and in pharmacy; and ensure enhanced communications with and understanding of ACPE by our constituents. Meetings were held or presentations were made at meetings of the following
organizations: Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), Alliance for Continuing Medical Education (ACME), American Association of Pharmacy Technicians (AAPT), American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education (AFPE), American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP), CPA-Academy of Students of Pharmacy, Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA), Chicago Area Accreditors (CAA), Council on Credentialing in Pharmacy (CCP), Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP), Joint Commission of Pharmacy Practitioners (JCPP), National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI) of the U.S. Department of Education, National Association of Chain Drug Stores (NACDS), National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA), National Council of State Pharmacy Association Executives (NCSPAE), National Pharmaceutical Association (NPhA), Pharmacy Technician Association (NPTA) and Pharmacy Technician Educators Council (PTEC). ACPE staff members were invited speakers at a number of meetings of pharmacy and other health profession organizations and served on committees and task forces related to ACPE’s mission.

PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS OF PHARMACY

Accreditation Actions Taken

On the basis of comprehensive, focused, and staff consultation evaluations conducted during the reporting year, communications received from the institutions, ongoing review of first-time NAPLEX® passing rates and entry class size and comments of the Public Interest Panel, the Board of Directors determined the accreditation status along with specified terms and conditions of 33 professional programs. (Note: A list of accredited professional degree programs of colleges and schools of pharmacy, which designates the respective accreditation status of the programs and the academic year for the next currently scheduled evaluation, is posted on the ACPE web site at www.acpe-accredit.org.) An action to “affirm” implies that a previously established accreditation term has been confirmed. An action to “continue” implies that the accreditation date has been extended. The accreditation actions taken are as follows:

Continued Accreditation Status

Campbell University School of Pharmacy (2003-2004; 2009-2010)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (2002-2003; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

Northeastern University School of Pharmacy (2002-2003; 2008-2009)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy (2003-2004; 2009-2010)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy (2002-2003; 2008-2009)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Pharmacy (2003-2004; 2009-2010)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

University of New Mexico College of Pharmacy (2002-2003; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

University of Rhode Island College of Pharmacy (2003-2004; 2009-2010)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

University of Southern California School of Pharmacy (2002-2003; 2008-2009)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

Wayne State University Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (2002-2003; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

West Virginia University School of Pharmacy (2003-2004; 2009-2010)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.

Xavier University of Louisiana College of Pharmacy (2002-2003; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was continued.
Interim Monitoring Based on Focused On-site Evaluation Visit

Creighton University Medical Center School of Pharmacy and Health Professions (1998-1999; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was affirmed.

Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was affirmed.

Hampton University School of Pharmacy (2001-2002; 2003-2004)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: accreditation was affirmed.

Continued Candidate Accreditation Status

Creighton University Medical Center School of Pharmacy and Health Professions (1998-1999; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: full accreditation status was granted.

Palm Beach Atlantic University School of Pharmacy (2003-2004; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: candidate accreditation status was continued.

University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus School of Pharmacy (2002-2003; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: candidate accreditation status was continued.

Advancement from Precandidate to Candidate Accreditation Status

The following requests for precandidate or candidate status of a Doctor of Pharmacy program were considered on the basis of an application and presentation. Moreover, it should be understood that ACPE may grant or deny Preaccreditation status based upon the evaluation process set forth.

Precandidate

Wingate University School of Pharmacy (2002-2003; 2003-2004)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: precandidate accreditation status was granted.

Candidate

University of California, San Diego School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (2002-2003; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: candidate accreditation status was continued.

Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy (2002-2003; 2004-2005)
Doctor of Pharmacy program: candidate accreditation status was granted.

Monitoring During the Accreditation Period

Interim reports for 42 professional programs of the following Colleges or Schools were reviewed:

Alabama College of Pharmacy; Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy; Butler University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; Duquesne University Mylan School of Pharmacy; Ferris State University College of Pharmacy; Florida Agricultural and Me-
chanical University College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences; Hampton University School of Pharmacy; Howard University School of Pharmacy; Lebanese American University School of Pharmacy; Long Island University Arnold and Marie Schwartz College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; Medical University of South Carolina College of Pharmacy; Mercer University Southern School of Pharmacy; Midwestern University Chicago College of Pharmacy; Nesbitt School of Pharmacy at Wilkes University; North Dakota State University College of Pharmacy; Oregon State University College of Pharmacy; Palm Beach Atlantic University School of Pharmacy; Purdue University School of Pharmacy and Pharmacal Sciences; Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy; Shenandoah University Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy; South Dakota State University College of Pharmacy; South University School of Pharmacy; Southwestern Oklahoma State University School of Pharmacy; Texas Southern University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Pharmacy; University of California San Diego School of Pharmacy; University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy; University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy; University of Montana School of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences; University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Pharmacy; University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy; University of Tennessee Memphis College of Pharmacy; University of Utah College of Pharmacy; University of Washington School of Pharmacy; University of Wyoming School of Pharmacy; Virginia Commonwealth University at the Medical College of Virginia Campus School of Pharmacy; Washington State University College of Pharmacy; Wayne State University Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; West Virginia School of Pharmacy; and Western University of Health Sciences College of Pharmacy.

Staff Consultations Requested
A Staff Consultation was requested from Ferris State University College of Pharmacy and completed.

Annual Monitoring
In addition to the monitoring presented above, all programs are monitored through statistical analysis of enrollment and other information provided by AACP documents and review of graduates’ performance on NAPLEX® examinations. Review of the data required the sending of a letter of concern to several colleges or schools of pharmacy, in accord with established monitoring criteria.

Evaluation Team Member Training
Review of the accreditation process, with a special focus on the role and responsibilities of evaluation team members, was conducted during the ACPE Evaluation Team Training Sessions on March 1, 2003, in Long Beach, California, during the AACP Interim Meeting. The agenda provided opportunity for discussion of the accreditation process generally, discussion of the on-site visit, including guidelines for team members and development of the evaluation team report, case studies with a focus on self-study analysis and interview skills. Evaluation and outcomes measures were discussed. Specific guidance is also provided to evaluation team members during pre-visit telephone conferences and during the orientation session of the on-site evaluation.

Evaluation Team Members
The success of the on-site evaluation depends upon the substantial efforts and dedication of many individuals (in addition to Board members and staff) who serve voluntarily as evaluation team members. Both academic and practice-oriented individuals served during the year. These are: Wayne K. Anderson, Dean, University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, The State University of New York; Joseph A. Barone, Professor and Chair, Pharmacy Practice and Administration, Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey; J. Chris Bradberry, Dean, Creighton University Medical Center School of Pharmacy and Health Professions; Bobby G. Bryant, Dean, Ohio Northern University College of Pharmacy; John Jeff Carson, Chief-of-Staff, Oakdale Pharmacy; Rodney A. Carter, Professor, Department Head/Chair Pharmacy Practice, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy; Patricia Chase, Dean, Butler University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; Renea Chesnut, Assistant Dean, Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; Jordan Cohen, Dean, University of Iowa College of Pharmacy; Patrick J. Davis, Associate Dean and Professor of Medicinal Chemistry, University of Texas College of Pharmacy; Joseph O. Dean, Dean, Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy; Louis Diamond, Dean, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy; George Downs, Dean, University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, Philadelphia College of Pharmacy; Thomas S. Foster, Professor of Pharmacy and Anesthesiology, University of Kentucky College of Medicine/Pharmacy; Amy Haddad, Professor, Creighton University Medical Center School of Pharmacy and Health Professions; Judith B. Sommers Hanson, Pharmaceutical Care Administrator, Dominick’s Pharmacy; Arcelia Johnson-Fannin, Dean, Hampton University School of Pharmacy; Sharon Jones, Clinical
Pharmacy Consultant; **James Knight**, Director of Pharmacy, Vanderbilt University Health System; **Patricia D. Kroboth**, Interim Dean, University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy; **Steven Leslie**, Dean, The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy; **William Miller**, Professor, The University of Iowa College of Pharmacy; **John Murphy**, Professor, University of Arizona College of Pharmacy; **Milap Nahata**, Professor, Ohio State University College of Pharmacy; **Phillip Oppenheimer**, Dean, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences at the University of the Pacific; **Daniel C. Robinson**, Dean, Northeastern University School of Pharmacy; **John T. Sherrerr**, Pharmacist, Howell Mill Pharmacy; **Donna Soflin**, Director of Pharmacy Services, Tri-County Hospital; **Marilyn Speedie**, Dean, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy; **Richard Stull**, Associate Dean, Shenandoah University School of Pharmacy; **Robert Treitline**, President, North Dakota Pharmacies, Inc.; **Barbara G. Wells**, Dean, University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy; **Robin Michele Zavod**, Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Midwestern University Chicago College of Pharmacy; and **David Zgarrick**, Vice Chair/Associate Professor, Midwestern University Chicago College of Pharmacy

**Board of Pharmacy Representation**

The following representatives of the board of pharmacy of the states in which the College or School of Pharmacy is located worked with the evaluation teams: **Robert Armstrong**, Wayne State University; **Eugene Applebaum** College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; **Malcolm Broussard**, Xavier University Louisiana College of Pharmacy; **Betty Johnson**, University of California San Diego School of Pharmacy; **Georgina Kindall-Jones**, University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy; **Douglas R. Lang**, University of Missouri Kansas City School of Pharmacy; **Louis Ling**, Nevada College of Pharmacy; **Wallace Nelson**, Campbell University School of Pharmacy; **Bob Parrado**, Nova Southeastern University College of Pharmacy; **Harold B. Sparr**, Northeastern University School of Pharmacy; and **Woodrow Storey**, University of New Mexico College of Pharmacy.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**Applications for Initial Accreditation as a Provider of Continuing Pharmacy Education**

A total of 23 sets of application materials, submitted by organizations requesting ACPE accreditation status as Providers of continuing education were evaluated for presentation to the Board this year. The following organizations were evaluated for consideration of initial accreditation: Brooks Pharmacy Rx Care; Children’s Medical Center of Dallas Department of Pharmacy; Clinical Tools, Inc.; CME Outfitters; Detroit Health Department Pharmacy and Pharmacology Division; ExelleRx Institute; Foundation for Care Management; Institute for Advanced Health Education; Kendle International, Inc.; Logic Healthworks; Medical Research Management; Medi-Tech Media, Ltd. (USA) Department of Continuing Education; National Pharmacy Technician Association; New York – Presbyterian Hospital; PDQ Communications, Inc.; Pri-Med Institute; Resource Optimization and Innovation; Rx School; Seton Hall University, School of Graduate Medical Education; Thomson American Health Consultants; University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey; University of South Dakota School of Medicine; Yale University School of Medicine.

**First Review of Applicants**

Submission of a Report (First Review) by Applicants initially accredited in Spring 2002 and Fall 2002 - A total of 30 sets of First Reviews were reviewed. First Reviews were submitted by the following providers in 2003 and were evaluated by the Board: American Academy of Continuing Medical Education, Inc.; American Health Resources; Apothecare Collaborative Services, Inc.; Bayfront Medical Center; Campbell County Memorial Hospital; Cleveland Clinic Foundation; CME Consultants, Inc.; College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists; Continuing Education.com; Dana-Farber Cancer Institute; Drug Information Association; International Center for Postgraduate Medical Education; International Meetings and Science, Inc.; King’s Daughters’ Medical Center; LearnSomething.com, Inc.; Lee Memorial Health System; North American College of Botanical Medicine; Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center; PESI HealthCare, LLC; Pharmacy Healthcare Solutions, Ltd.; Professional Compounding Centers of America, Ltd. (PCCA); PTI International; Romaine Pierson Publishers, Inc./Pharmacy Times; Syntaxx Communications, Inc.; Trinka Publications, Inc.; University of California, Los Angeles Neuropsychiatric Institute; VA Chicago Health Care System; VA New England Health Care System – Network Education System; and VCU School of Pharmacy, Office of Continuing Education; WriteHealth, LLC.

**Second Review of Applicants**

Submission of a Report (Second Review) by Applicants initially accredited in Spring 2001 and Fall 2001 - A total of 19 sets of Second Reviews were reviewed. Second Reviews were submitted by the following providers in 2003 and were evaluated by the Board: AAF-MED; Academy of Medicine of New Jersey; Adheris,
Inc.; American Heart Association; CEU-Online, Inc.; College of Psychiatric and Neurological Pharmacists; COJM International Services, Inc.; Consorta Catholic Resource Partners; Contemporary Forums; Duke University School of Medicine; e-ecredites.com; Geisinger Health System; Harris County Hospital District, Learning and Resource Center; Interactive Information Solutions; Medical Education Group, LLC; Professional Resources in Management Education, Inc. (PRIME); QD Healthcare Group; RxFactStat, Inc.; and University of California Davis Health System Department of Pharmacy.

Petitions for Continued Accreditation as a Provider of Continuing Pharmacy Education

A total of 39 Petitions for Continued Accreditation were reviewed. Each review entailed an evaluation of a variety of materials reflecting the provider’s activity, including example continuing pharmacy education programs, a self-assessment report, surveys of program participants and, when available, program reviews by State Board of Pharmacy members. Petitions for Continued Accreditation submitted by the following providers in 2003 were evaluated by the Board: American Society of Health-System Pharmacists; Amerisource Bergen Corporation; Association of Clinical Research Professionals; Bimark Center for Medical Education; Boiron Institute; Cambria-Somerset Council for Education of Health Professionals; Council of Ohio Colleges of Pharmacy; Emory University Hospital Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences; Ferris State University College of Pharmacy; Idaho State University College of Pharmacy; Institute for Applied Pharmaceutical Sciences, The; Kentucky Pharmacists Education and Research Foundation; Lehigh Valley Hospital Pharmacy Department; Maryland Pharmacy Continuing Education Coordinating Council; McKesson Corporation; Medical Education Collaborative, Inc.; Medical Education Resources, Inc.; Medical University of South Carolina; Medicine In Print, Inc.; Michigan Pharmacists Association; Northeastern University Bouve College of Health Sciences School of Pharmacy; Ohio Pharmacists Foundation, Inc.; Pharmaceutical Care Management Association; Philadelphia College of Pharmacy; Society of Critical Care Medicine; South Dakota State University College of Pharmacy; Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists; Tripartite Committee on Continuing Education for Pharmacists in Wyoming; University of Georgia College of Pharmacy; University of Houston College of Pharmacy; University of Illinois at Chicago College of Pharmacy; University of Kentucky – Chandler Medical Center; University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy; University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy; University of the Pacific School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy; VA Northern California Health Care System; Washington State University College of Pharmacy; W-F Professional Associates.

Monitoring During the Accreditation Period

Interim Reports

Based upon previous Board accreditation actions, 99 interim reports were received during the year. These reports were analyzed against the issues noted in the earlier accreditation actions and were presented for the Board's consideration.

Progress Reports

Based upon previous Board accreditation actions, 3 progress reports were received during the year. These reports were analyzed against the issues noted in the earlier accreditation actions and were presented for the Board's consideration.

Discontinued Providers

At the June 2003 and January 2004 meetings, 14 organizations were discontinued as ACPE-accredited providers of continuing pharmacy education based on their request for a voluntary withdrawal or lapsed term. Discontinued providers included: AAI Development Services; Abbott Laboratories Pharmaceutical Products Division; Academy of Medicine of New Jersey; Advanced Healthcare Education Systems Division of Galen Healthcom, Inc.; Bayer Corporation; Cleveland Clinic Foundation; Eli Lilly and Company; Facts and Comparison; Immunex, Inc.; International Diabetes Center; Pari Respiratory Equipment, Inc.; Pharmacy Business Development Services; SLACK, Inc.; and Valley Care Health System.

On-going Monitoring

ACPE staff continued daily monitoring of accredited providers through review of Program Description Forms (PDFs) and Certificate Program Description Forms (CPDFs), responses to questions and requests for information from accredited providers, and follow-up to written complaints received regarding specific providers and/or continuing pharmacy education program offerings.

Provider Guidance

During 2003, ACPE professional staff provided extensive technical assistance, consultation, and other resources to accredited providers as well as others seeking assistance. The policy of inviting providers to meet with ACPE professional staff in Chicago or at other locations of mutual convenience continues to serve an effective educational and communication purpose and administrator workshops continue to be well received. These sessions include administrators from newly accredited
providers as well as administrators from established provider organizations and are designed to provide a working knowledge of the Criteria for Quality and Interpretive Guidelines and their application to providers' programs. Three workshops were offered in Chicago (total 54 participants) and a pre-conference workshop was offered at the 10th CE Conference with a total attendance of 65 participants.

**ACPE’s 10th CE Conference**

The 10th CE Conference, Pharmacy CE: Major Changes in the Works? was held September 18-21, 2003, at the Westin Seattle Hotel, Seattle, Washington. The 11th CE Conference is being planned for fall 2005 in Chicago.

**Certificate Programs in Pharmacy**

There are currently 38 CE Providers who have filed a Notification of Intent to offer Certificate Programs in Pharmacy and have received acknowledgement from ACPE.

**Field Reviewers**

During 2003, the following individuals contributed their time and effort in support of the Provider Accreditation Program by serving as a field reviewer in the Petition for Continued Accreditation process: Mary Andritz, Albany College of Pharmacy; Lorne Basskin, Trinka Publications, Inc.; Linda Blanton, Bayshore Medical Center; J. Andrew Bowman, Campbell University School of Pharmacy; Sharon Bronson, University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center; Steve Caiola, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Pharmacy; Joe Ciezkowski, Danville Regional Medical Center - Pharmacy Department; Deborah Correnti, Academy for Healthcare Education; Pat Domínguez, University of Texas - El Paso; William Doutré, Postgraduate Institute for Medicine (PIM); Joel Epps, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy; Barbara Fuchs, FCG Institute; Stephanie Gardner, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Pharmacy; Stuart Gilman, VA Employee Education System; Raymond Hammond, University of Houston College of Pharmacy; Alan Hanson, University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy, Extension Services in Pharmacy; Mark Holdsworth, University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy; Barbara Jolly, Integrity Healthcare Services; Wayne Kradjan, Oregon State University; Patricia Levy, HMP Communications, LLC; Andrew Lowe, Comprehensive Pharmacy Services, Inc.; Ron Maddox, Campbell University School of Pharmacy; Michael McCormick, James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital; Dee Morgillo, AmeriNet Central; Paul Muzenberger, The Detroit Medical Center Department of Pharmacy Services; Joseph Ofosu, Howard University College of Pharmacy, Nursing and Allied Health Sciences; Lois Parker, Massachusetts General Hospital Department of Pharmacy; Jacqueline Parochka, Discovery International; Dean Parry, Geisinger Health Systems; Susan Peverly, University of Illinois at Chicago College of Pharmacy; Susan Powers, Texas Children's Hospital Pharmacy; Thomas Rout, Walgreens Advance Care d/b/a Walgreens Health Initiatives (WHI); Ginger Schirmer, MED2000, Inc.; Carla Sherrick, HealthStream Education Design; Michael Simeone, University of Rhode Island College of Pharmacy; John Stanovich, Ohio Northern University College of Pharmacy; Penny Surratt, Roche Laboratories Inc.; Loretta Thompson, Sharp HealthCare; Sandra Warner, University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy; Arthur Wharton, University of Florida College of Pharmacy; Dale Wilcox, FDA Center for Drug Evaluation and Research.
Appendix 1. ACPE Publications

2. *Accreditation Standards and Guidelines for the Professional Program in Pharmacy Leading to the Doctor of Pharmacy Degree* Adopted June 14, 1997
3. *Annual Directory of Accredited Professional Programs of Colleges and Schools of Pharmacy* on ACPE web site at www.acpe-accredit.org
5. *Annual Directory of Accredited Providers of Continuing Pharmacy Education* on ACPE web site at www.acpe-accredit.org

To request a copy of any of these publications, please contact the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), 20 North Clark Street, Suite 2500, Chicago, Illinois 60602-5109 (312/664-3575) or copies can be downloaded from our web site at www.acpe-accredit.org.

Appendix 2. ACPE Professional Program Accreditation and Continuing Pharmacy Education Provider Accreditation, Operations for the Twelve Months ending 12/31/03

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