# FOUNDATION REPORT

### NCPA Foundation continues its support for community pharmacy

The NCPA Foundation advances independent community pharmacy through scholarships to pharmacy students, research/programs to improve the success of independent pharmacy and patient care, community health awareness programs, and aid to community pharmacy owners for recovery in the event of disaster or other adverse circumstances. The NCPA Foundation is a nonprofit, philanthropic 501(c)(3) organization established in 1953. More information on the NCPA Foundation is available at www.ncpafoundation.org. You can also visit us at booth 1727 at the NCPA 2021 Annual Convention this month in Charlotte. N.C.

The following are some highlights of the NCPA Foundations efforts in 2021.

## GOOD NEIGHBOR PHARMACY NCPA PRUITT-SCHUTTE STUDENT BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION

The Good Neighbor Pharmacy NCPA Pruitt-Schutte Student Business Plan Competition promotes interest in independent community pharmacy ownership. In 2021 the competition marks its 18th year with 24 schools and colleges of pharmacy represented. The competition is supported by Good Neighbor Pharmacy, Pharmacists Mutual Insurance Co., and the NCPA Foundation. The competition is the first national competition of its kind in the pharmacy profession and honors two great champions of independent community pharmacy, the late Neil Pruitt Sr., and the late H. Joseph Schutte.

#### PHARMACY DISASTER RELIEF FUND

As the country still grapples with the COVID-19 pandemic, community pharmacies play a large role keeping vulnerable patients safe, including testing for the virus and administering vaccines. The AmerisourceBergen-NCPA Foundation Disaster Relief Grant allowed the Foundation to provide support to pharmacies impacted by the coronavirus. It also aided pharmacies affected by devastating storms throughout the U.S. The Disaster Relief Fund was established to provide financial assistance to community pharmacy owners for the repair of their pharmacies in the event of disaster, accidents, illness, or other adverse circumstances.

To make a tax-deductible donation to the Disaster Relief Fund, visit **bit.ly/ncpafdr** 

#### DISPOSE MY MEDS™

Dispose My Meds offers information and resources for pharmacies to create medication disposal programs to help their patients safely dispose of unused and expired medicines. NCPA members receive a discount

> on the Sharps TAKEAWAY Return System, a safe and easy method to dispose of unused patient medications. Visit www.disposemymeds.org for additional information.

#### **DONATIONS**

Donations from individuals and corporations enable the NCPA Foundation to support programs and activities that preserve the legacy of independent pharmacy. Please consider donating today. Visit www.ncpafoundation.org and click on "Donate Now."



Join us at the NCPA Foundation Awards Ceremony in Charlotte, N.C. Help recognize scholarship and award recipients on Sunday, Oct. 10, 4-5:30 p.m.

#### **AWARDS**

The NCPA Foundation continues the tradition of giving awards to outstanding candidates. Awards include the John W. Dargavel Medal Award, sponsored by the McKesson Corp., the Sharlea Leatherwood Memorial Trailblazer Award; the NARD Ownership Award; National Preceptor of the Year; and Outstanding Faculty Liaison of the Year.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Each year, the NCPA Foundation proudly awards scholarships to college students pursuing community pharmacy ownership. This year, the Foundation and Partners in Pharmacy are awarding more than \$60,000 in educational aid to NCPA student pharmacists, through the support of McKesson, American Associated Pharmacies, and Bloodworth Wholesale.

The Foundation, through funding from Pharmacists Mutual, also provides scholarships to students to attend the NCPA Ownership Workshop, an event for pharmacists considering pharmacy ownership or current owners looking to polish their management skills. In the last year the Foundation has awarded 14 scholarships.

Go to www.npcafoundation.org for additional information on Foundation programs. Follow the Foundation on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TheNCPAFoundation.



#### **2021 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

Congratulations to the following NCPA student members for receiving NCPA Foundation and Partners in Pharmacy scholarships:

Abigail Carpenter Ohio Northern University, Raabe College of Pharmacy

Brianne Crews Southwestern Oklahoma State University

College of Pharmacy

Savannah CunninghamMercer University College of PharmacyDominick de la GuardiaUniversity of the Sciences Philadelphia

College of Pharmacy

Olivia Denny University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy

and Pharmaceutical Sciences

Maggie Goode Auburn University

Harrison School of Pharmacy
Benjamin Briggs Hightower
University of Georgia

College of Pharmacy

Nathan Howe Creighton University School of Pharmacy

and Health Professions

Jason LamUniversity of Arkansas for MedicalSciences College of Pharmacy

Joshua Alan Leitao Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and

Health Sciences - Worcester

Carly Loudermilk

University of Georgia

College of Pharmacy

Haley Mitchell Auburn University

Ashley Murphy Auburn University

Harrison School of Pharmacy

Morgan Rambo Samford University

McWhorter School of Pharmacy

**Lucy Rinehuls** Samford University

Sarah Ward

McWhorter School of Pharmacy
Union University College of Pharmacy