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# Address of President Justin Kosar Saturday, May 12, 2018

Good afternoon everyone, distinguished guests and colleagues. In keeping with last year's speech, I highlighted the power that comes by way of interaction with patients. That sacred relationship that is determined by unified cause in which the public places their trust in our knowledge, our abilities and our skills. Today, as President, I am proud to report that such a relationship continues to be, in the strongest sense, alive and well in pharmacy practice. Perhaps what we don't necessarily appreciate or understand is the context within which I make such a strong statement.



2017-2018 President, Justin Kosar

This year like every other has been one of challenge, continual growth and change. Much like our busy lives, we continue to work

and live in a state of transition and this year was no different. Not only did we move, literally move to the new office space on Albert Street in Regina, we also evolved. The College bid farewell to Ray Joubert in his position of Registrar as he transitioned to Associate Registrar and turned over the torch of leadership to Jeana Wendel. In her short tenure, I've been afforded the opportunity to work with Jeana several times and it gives me a great sense of ease to state emphatically how well she has taken on this role. The College and its members are in good standing with our new Registrar at the helm. Similarly, College executives and staff continue in their excellence – Jeanne, Lori, Jeannette, Brittany, Perry, Audrey, Pat, Darlene, Christina, Heather, Tami, Cheryl and Ingrid – these people all bear mentioning as they are the individuals whose collective efforts delivering programming, planning and practice structure evolution that allows Saskatchewan pharmacy professionals to continue to be envied by many other regions across North America.

As part of my recent travels as President, I've been afforded the opportunity to interact with other Councils and Boards, both within Canada and the US. In having just returned from Denver, I had the privilege of representing our province and learned that we, in fact, represent the envy of much of the United States when it comes to scope of practice. If I was to put it in their words, "Y'all are doing something right up there for sure."

To hear that their regulatory boards relied upon our Canadian, and more specifically our Saskatchewan, experience to justify their submissions for increased practice rights, goes to show how progressive we are. I remain proud in the fact that I'm able to say Saskatchewan pharmacy professionals continue to lead.

In serving the needs of the people of Saskatchewan, members continue to present themselves as a key point of care, allowing patients to decide upon their care, their access and furthermore, their interaction. It is not without challenge

#### **SCPP COUNCIL 2017-2018**

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AUDREY SOLIE Registration Administrator

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Registrar CHERYL WYATT Communications Coordinator that we accept this role. However, I'm confident that everyone in this room and throughout the province today understands it is our end users—our patients—whose benefit and needs we look to serve.

We also, as a College, continue along the path and understanding that reasoned public policy and by extension, its open and unbiased debate has never mattered more. By the same token, reasoned public policy likely has never faced such profound challenge. I am proud of the efforts by your College to ensure that members remain in the consideration for health systems and that their roles can be maximized in the delivery of care. SCPP and its Council will continue to advance this important mission. I thank you all for your participation in College activities, this conference and for the continued service you bring on a day-to-day basis. May you all have an exciting year ahead. I remain so very humbled and honoured to continue my service to the people and pharmacists and pharmacy technicians of this province and thank Council for their vote of confidence in electing me as President.

I want to close by thanking a couple of notable parties:

- My workplace, the Saskatchewan Health Authority (formerly the Saskatoon Health Region), specifically the Department of Pharmacy—your support has been continual and much appreciated. Thank you for the time away from work to fulfill the College's mission and providing me the opportunity to travel and be away from my day job. I realize that I am amongst one of the lucky employees who can count upon such continued support.
- Ray, how's retirement? But truthfully, your guidance and support since I arrived on Council has been invaluable. Through you, I hopefully have learned the ideals and skills associated to continue to lead and ensure the public good is served.
- Jeana, in the short time we have gotten to work together, your commitment and attention to global perspective is self-evident. I look so very forward to continuing to work with you.
- There are also two people whom I continue to owe a debt to. My girls, thank you for allowing me to be away for travels or meetings or wherever. Know that you are both always in my heart and my thoughts.

Finally, I'd like to echo my thoughts from last year's address. Remember why you practice and who you practice for. It need not be glamourous or even be in pharmacy. As we heard from our 50-year graduates, service, whether it be to your profession or your community is lifelong and life-affirming. I encourage everyone to continue to be involved in something. I thank you for allowing me to continue as your President.

Thank you so much for your time – enjoy the time conference and catching up with colleagues and friends. I wish you all the best in the year to come.



## Pharmacy Association of Saskatchewan (PAS) Annual Conference

### Awards Guest Reception

Just prior to the opening of the 2018 PAS Conference, the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals (SCPP) held an Awards Reception for the College's special guests for the evening. Invitees were welcomed to Pharmacy Association of Saskatchewan (PAS). Chair Paul Bazin opened the 2018 PAS Conference, Friday, May 11, 2018 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel and Conference Centre, Regina.

### SCPP Awards Banquet

SCPP President Justin Kosar fulfilled the role of Master of Ceremonies for the SCPP Awards Banquet. A key component of the Awards Banquet is the annual recognition of the 25- and 50-year graduating classes of the College of Pharmacy at the University of Saskatchewan. This year, SCPP was thrilled to welcome eleven 25-year graduates from the class of '93 and thirty 50-year graduates from the class of '68.

### Special Guests

#### Class of 1993

Class President Andrew Gilbertson took the podium to introduce classmates in attendance as they came to the stage to be congratulated by President Kosar. Each received a 25-year pin from SCPP.



Back Row: Lena Hartman, Janice Norfield, Stan Chow, Trina Zurevinsky, Sherry Beblow, Kyla Weeres, Kristan Phillips

Front Row: Shelley Peigan, Andrew Gilbertson, Monique Zwack, Suzanne Benning

#### MISSION

The Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals serves the public interest by regulating the profession of pharmacy to provide safe, competent pharmacy care in Saskatchewan.

#### VISION

Advancing quality pharmacy care for a healthier Saskatchewan

#### VALUES

- Professionalism
- Accountability
- Visionary Leadership
- Collaboration
- Education

#### GOALS

Advancing Public Safety in Pharmacy Services

Ensuring Priorities and Resources are aligned to Achieve Goals

Maintaining a Self-Regulated Profession

Increasing Recognition of Pharmacy Professionals as Essential Members of the Health Care Team

Supporting Health Care Public Policy

#### Class of 1968

Registrar Jeana Wendel introduced the class of '68 graduates in attendance – and what a group they were! Along with their guests, they numbered 58: likely a recordbreaking attendance for the 50-year class! Jeana read from the rich biographies of each attendee: what full lives they have lived and SCPP expects to hear more from them in the future.

Early in the fall of 2017, Senior Stick Dorothy Smith was in close contact with SCPP regarding the opportunity to reconnect with her class. Dorothy and a small group of classmates (Karen Huber, Rick Dobrow, David Grayson and Joanne Logie) undertook locating their classmates and urged them to attend the gathering, while using the connection to compile a reunion directory to share with the class. Unfortunately, just days before the event it became evident that Dorothy would not be able to attend and so another classmate, Wayne Wurtz, took up the challenge at the last minute. He quickly contacted Dorothy and the stories were shared. When Wayne was introduced, up he came, but quickly realized he was not properly attired. Off came his sports jacket and on went the College of Pharmacy jacket from 50 years ago – and it still fit! Wayne shared stories of their years together at the College – such an upstanding group of individuals now...who knew? Wayne ended his remarks with the College of Pharmacy cheer:

Saskatchewan Pharmacy Purple and Gold Give them Strychnine Knock them cold Whiskey, Brandy, Syrup of Squill We're the guys that roll the pills Yeah, Pharmacy



Back Row: Garry Brandt, Wayne Wurtz, Ron Noyes, Garry Guedo, Jim McGrath, Victor Kalinka, Fred Rumple, John Brown Middle Row: Bill Verabioff, John Sametz, Gerald Friesen, Gary Shelton, Karen Huber, Elaine Tatarniuk, David Grayson, Wayne Dixon, Maurice McCrea, Bob Lachambre, Gary Groves, Rick Dobrow, Diane Olfert

Front Row: Carol O'Byrne, Carol Heatherington, Otto Lehmann, Greig Homstol, Joanne Logie, Grant Preston, Maxine Petronech, Jane Sheward, George Stuart

While reading the biography sent in by George Stuart, the SCPP staff realized that there was a Centennial Pharmacy Award nominee in the ranks. The **Centennial Pharmacy Award** was established to recognize the great accomplishments of operating as a pharmacy for 100 years or more. Prairie Pharmacy, currently owned and operated by Kelli Kemp, had formerly been Cupar Drug Hall in the town of Cupar. The pharmacy has been in continuous operation since 1906. George's grandfather had originated the pharmacy and it had been passed down to the next two generations until 2008 when George sold the pharmacy – 102 years in the Stuart family. SCPP was delighted to award the Centennial Pharmacy Award to Kelli Kemp and George Stuart.

### **Staff Recognitions**

Council and the College celebrated the careers of members of the College staff for milestones they have reached:

#### 10-year Recognition - Ms. Audrey Solie



Jeana Wendel, Audrey Solie

SCPP is very blessed to have someone of Audrey's nature on our staff - she is a dedicated employee, a hard worker and one of the nicest people you will meet. The College couldn't ask for a better person to work with and to work closely with our membership. Many members may have communicated with Audrey over the years and will have experienced her professionalism and dedication to the College and our members.

#### **20-year Recognition and Retirement** Ms. Jeanne Eriksen



Jeanne Eriksen, Jeana Wendel

Jeanne is one of those rare people you meet that you instantly know you will never forget. Her relationship and reach with members is magical - she knows where everyone works and everyone's names. Those who know Jeanne know that the people component is part of her passion for the profession and her job as Deputy Registrar. Jeanne has a special ability to create a wonderful team environment within the office, hold productive committee meetings and maintain long-term relationships with members.

She always has a smile on her face, a quick wit and an infectious laughter and zest for life-spin class, zip-lining and bike riding, just to name a few! With her keen eye, attention to detail and years of editing-nothing slips past Jeanne.

Jeanne is truly a one-of-a-kind person. Council and staff feel blessed to have had the opportunity to work with her and all have benefited from her energy, enthusiasm for the profession and her dedicated work ethic. She will be missed.

#### Honorary Life Member – Mr. Ray Joubert

During his tenure as SCPP's Registrar, Ray has proudly represented and promoted the profession of pharmacy on a local, provincial, national and international level. His presence on numerous boards and councils including the Council of Pharmacy Registrars of Canada, Canadian Pharmacists Association, Canadian Foundation for Pharmacy, Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs, and the National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities, just to name a few, has provided Saskatchewan pharmacists and pharmacy technicians with a voice and representation in the developments of the profession nationwide. His work has led to significant enhancements to the scope of practice for pharmacists, resulting in better patient care for all Canadians. Ray's vision and leadership is sought by many within and outside of pharmacy-his brilliant mind and humble nature are just a few of the qualities that make him a great leader.

Ray has been the recipient of several awards and accolades over the years including the CFP Pillar of Pharmacy Award, the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition Centennial Alumni of Influence Award, and more recently, he was named an Honorary Life Member of the College of Pharmacists of Manitoba and an Honorary Licensee of the North Dakota Board of Pharmacy. On May 10, it was announced that Ray was selected by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP in the USA) to serve as its honorary president for 2018. This is the second time in history that NABP has selected a Canadian to serve this position.



Ray Joubert, Justin Kosar

### Alumni Reception

The formal program for the evening ended with dessert at the Alumni Reception in the U of S Alumni Hospitality Suite. Dean Kishor Wasan hosted the evening, which provided all conference attendees an opportunity to mingle with the award winners and graduates, catch up with old friends and meet the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition students in attendance. The last we saw of the 25- and 50-year grads leads one to believe the party may still be going on...

### Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals 107<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

President Justin Kosar chaired the 107<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the College. After welcoming the members to the meeting, Chair Kosar introduced the 2017-2018 Councillors in attendance:

Bill Gerla
Stephanie Miller
Kyla Jackson
Margaret Wheaton
Paul Melnyk
Peyman Nemati
Doug MacNeill

Dean Kishor Wasan Dr. Yvonne Shevchuk Bonnie Caven Michael Lummerding Jordan Kalesnikoff Lyndsay Brakstad

Chair Kosar then announced the newly elected incoming Councillors for the 2018-2019 licensing year:

Division 2 – Kyla Jackson was returned to Council by acclamation

Division 4 – Rod Amaya was elected

Division 6 – Brandon Krahn was elected by acclamation Division 8 – Amy Wiebe was elected Senior Stick – Meghanne Rieder

There was no business arising from the Minutes of the 106<sup>th</sup> AGM held on May 6, 2017, in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Those in attendance held a moment of silent tribute to members lost over the past year:

Edmund Belcourt	Larry Iverson
Curt Bitner	M. Alexander Kilburn
Robert Boxall	Dean Paul
James Cameron	Peter Pereverzoff
Ronald Currie	Marie Sim
Ronald Dixon	Michael Taylor
Donald Dodsworth	Wesley Taylor
Giselle Emery	James Trembley
Derek Grant	Roman Wozniak

President Justin Kosar presented the President's Annual Report. There were no questions from the floor regarding the report and a motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the report as presented. Associate Registrar Ray Joubert presented his report. As Ray was the Registrar during the 2017 calendar year, he gave his final report to the general assembly. This was quickly followed by the auditor's report and again there were no questions raised regarding the report submitted. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the reports and the audited financial statements for the College as printed and distributed.

Chair Kosar asked if there were any questions or comments to be raised in consideration of the Annual Report as printed and distributed. Hearing none, a motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the Annual Report as presented.

Dean Kishor Wasan was invited to highlight his report from the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition as printed in the SCPP Annual Report. Topics highlighted: PharmD program is in its first year and going well; Dr. Dennis Gorecki was recognized for his funding efforts; the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition students were ranked second in the past year's PEBC results; the enrollment for Graduate Studies has increased; the appointment of Dr. Robert Laprairie, Assistant Professor, GSK-CIHR Research Chair in Drug Discovery and Development; and the services offered at the College of the Continuing Professional Development for Pharmacy Professionals (CPDPP) unit, medSask and the Medication Assessment Centre (MAC) were reviewed.

Ronald Heeg of Swift Current was entered into the records of the College confirmed as a Member Emeritus. The honorary designation of "Member Emeritus" is bestowed to a retired member who has been in good standing with this College or other pharmacy regulatory body for a minimum of 25 years.

As there was no new business raised, the meeting was adjourned.

#### President's Luncheon – Saturday, May 12, 2018

The President's Luncheon is an opportunity each year to recognize individuals who have gone above and beyond the normal duties of the profession to improve the profession in some way or to contribute to the well-being of their community.

The College cannot exist without the tremendous support and engagement of its members. Each year members spend countless hours in volunteer activities whether with the College or their association to "advance quality pharmacy care for a healthier Saskatchewan." Once a year, SCPP gathers to recognize those efforts and applaud the hard work by a few for the betterment of many.

#### A. SCPP Certificate of Recognition

A certificate of Recognition is presented to members for their outstanding service to the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals.

#### **Retiring Councillors**

**Paul Melnyk** as he retires from Council. Paul joined Council July 1, 2016 as Councillor from Division 4.

**Leah Perrault** as she retires from Council. Leah joined Council on July 1, 2013 as Councillor from Division 6 and went on to become President-Elect July 1, 2017.

#### Retiring from the Discipline Committee

Janet Bradshaw joined the Discipline Committee in 2012.

# Retiring from the University of Regina Senate as the SCPP Appointee

**Bill Paterson** was appointment to the University of Regina Senate in 2016.

#### The COMPASS Steering Committee

The following individuals oversaw the three phases of the pilot and/or the development of the business case and implementation strategy for COMPASS.

- Geoff Barton Ian Fleck Kostas Fourlas Tamara Lange Sue Mack-Klinger
- Lindsey McComas Debbie McCulloch Carol Pannell Leah Perrault



Back Row: Justin Kosar, Kostas Fourlas Front Row: Debbie McCulloch, Tamara Lange, Carol Pannell

#### B. Award of Merit

The SCPP Award of Merit may be presented to recognize any person, group or organization, who is not a member of the College, who through their active participation has promoted the College and/or the profession of pharmacy in Saskatchewan.

SCPP recognizes the following non-members for their work on the COMPASS Steering Committee:

Diane Boulanger, public member Certina Ho, ISMP Canada Jason Perepelkin, College of Pharmacy and Nutrition Valerie Phillips, Ministry of Health Gillian Elizabeth Sernich, public member



Back Row: Justin Kosar Front Row: Diane Boulanger, Valerie Phillips, Certina Ho

**Norm Hamoline**, Saskatoon for his work transitioning all hospitals to one pharmacy information system application.



Justin Kosar, Norm Hamoline

#### C. Safety Excellence Award

This award is presented to recognize a member of SCPP, or a health care related group or organization to which the member belongs, who has made a special contribution to pharmacy in the area of increasing safety with one outstanding contribution or a series of achievements that has enhanced patient or medication safety.

The Saskatchewan Health Authority Regina Area Pharmacy Department is the 2018 recipient for aggressively pursing opportunities for pharmacy technicians to practice to their full scope. Kelly Babcock, Director of Pharmacy and Amanda Fornwald, Site Manager were present to accept this award.



Justin Kosar, Amanda Fornwald, Kelly Babcock

#### **D. Presidential Citation**

The Presidential Citation is presented to recognize an SCPP member who has made special contributions to pharmacy and/or one outstanding contribution or specific achievement that has enhanced the profession of pharmacy. This year SCPP awarded the Presidential Citation to three deserving members:

**Lynnette Kosar** is a skilled researcher, writer, educator, and mentor. Lynette is a valued speaker and participant in hospital pharmacy conferences, physician conferences and some national committee projects related to medical/ pharmacy information.



Justin Kosar, Lynette Kosar

**Darryl Boehm** has been instrumental in the evolution of oncology pharmacy practice in Saskatchewan. Through his vast knowledge of clinical oncology therapeutics, along with his commitment to excellence in patient care, development of collaborative relationships and strong administrative skills, Darryl has made significant and lasting contributions in the cancer field.



Justin Kosar, Darryl Boehm



**Vaughn Johnson** took on a new challenge of Clinical Coordinator, where he was responsible for change management and various transformation efforts, including implementing a pharmacist in the Emergency Room and has served as lead preceptor for several years in the emergency medicine residency rotations. Vaughn has also worked with RxFiles to meet with physicians and form new academic detailing relationships in several large rural centres in southeast Saskatchewan. Unfortunately, Vaughn was unable to attend the luncheon to receive his award in person.

Registrar Jeana Wendel then called upon **Justin Kosar** for the **Presidential Installation**. Council elected Justin Kosar to retain the position of President for an additional year. With a relatively inexperienced Council due to recent retirements and vacancies, it was felt that an experienced Executive Committee would provide the College with the continuity it requires given the recent hiring of a new Registrar and the imminent vacancy of the Deputy Registrar position. For the 2018-2019 membership year: Justin Kosar continues as President, Bill Gerla will stay on as Past President, Marilyn Younghans moves into the position of President-Elect and Stephanie Miller was elected to the position of Vice-President.

President Kosar presented an updated address, recounting the activities of the past year and looking into the future for what lies ahead. Please see the President's Address on the cover of this issue.



Justin Kosar, Jeana Wendel



Stephanie Miller, Vice-President



Marilyn Younghans, President-Elect

# For the quickest access to the latest news and events, join the SCPP Members Facebook Group

When there is something the College would like to get out quickly, including drug schedule changes, training, events, important notices, etc. the Facebook Group is the fastest way to let members know what's happening. Where it is appropriate, this information may also be posted on the website. Members can also post items and questions they think will benefit the community.

The group is available only to SCPP members who request access. Because it has been set up as a "secret" group, it is not viewable by non-members or even findable. This makes it a more secure platform to convey information and for members to ask questions.

#### How to Join

Any SCPP member who is a Facebook user is encouraged to join the group. To join, the member can email <u>info@saskpharm.ca</u> with "Join SCPP Members Group" in the subject line. Please include a first and last name, licence number and the email address associated with your Facebook account in the body of the email. An invitation to join the group will be sent via Facebook. Participants can leave the group at any time.

# 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual SCPP Convocation Luncheon

### Pharmacy Graduates Convocation June 7, 2018

June 7<sup>th</sup> was the day when 81 pharmacy students became 81 pharmacy graduates ready to take on the world!

The Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals (SCPP) was very pleased to host the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convocation Luncheon at TCU Place in Saskatoon, following the convocation ceremonies. While not all the graduates were at the luncheon, those that did attend were welcomed into the profession by participants from the pharmacy organizations in the province.

President Justin Kosar was the Master of Ceremonies for the luncheon. As in past years, several SCPP councillors were on hand to take part in the program. Past-President and current Councillor, Margaret Wheaton, offered a personal grace to open the luncheon. The TCU catering staff have provided the College with a lovely event each year and this year was no exception.

The program began with President Kosar welcoming the graduates, their parents, and their guests to the luncheon. He began by introducing the Council, those SCPP staff members in attendance and other honoured guests to the gathering. Then on behalf of SCPP, he offered congratulations and personal remarks to the graduates. As President Kosar recently celebrated his 10-year convocation anniversary with former classmates, he shared some of what he has learned in the intervening years with the new class of graduates.



Justin Kosar, SCPP President

At this time of celebration, and in recognition of the hard work and commitment of the students, representatives from other Saskatchewan pharmacy organizations joined in welcoming the graduates to the profession. From the Pharmacy Association of Saskatchewan (PAS), Mr. John Stanzeleit, Vice-Chair, wished the class all the best in future and encouraged them to get involved with the profession in some capacity, such as joining a committee, the PAS Board or the SCPP Council and to take an active role in shaping the future of the profession.



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John Stanzeleit, Vice-Chair, PAS

Ms. Jacquie Myers, President of the Canadian Society of Hospital Pharmacists – Saskatchewan Branch brought greetings and also encouraged the graduates to become involved in their chosen practice environment and in the profession.



Jacquie Myers, President, CSHP-Saskatchewan Branch



SCPP Vice-President Marilyn Younghans presented the SCPP Gold Medal to the most distinguished pharmacy graduate, Mr. Kelly Fitterer of Maple Creek, graduating with a four-year average of 90.18%. Kelly will be working in community practice in Medicine Hat, Alberta – congratulations Kelly.

SCPP Vice-President Marilyn Younghans presents SCPP Gold Medal to Kelly Fitterer Division 4 Councillor Paul Melnyk presented the Campbell Prize awarded annually to the second most distinguished graduate. This year's recipient is Ms. Kassandra Stahl of Regina, graduating with a four-year average of 90.12% average. Kassandra's career path will begin this fall in Saskatoon where she will be pursuing a hospital residency with the Saskatchewan Health Authority.



SCPP Division 4 Councillor Paul Melnyk presents Campbell Prize to Kassandra Stahl

Both graduates are to be commended for their academic excellence: well done Kelly and Kassandra!

Emcee Kosar invited Dean Kishor Wasan to the podium to introduce the preceptors who have mentored the graduates in their Structured Practice Experiences Program (SPEP) rotations, and the faculty and staff of the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition who have guided the students through the past four years. Dean Wasan offered his remarks to the graduating class citing that he holds a special place in his heart for this class as they are the first class that began when he became Dean – he has been "their" Dean for the entire four-year program.



Dean Kishor Wasan, College of Pharmacy and Nutrition

Dr. Yvonne Shevchuk, Associate Dean (Academic), presented some of the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition awards. The remainder of the awards were to be presented at the convocation banquet later that evening.



Dr. Yvonne Shevchuk, Associate Dean (Academic), College of Pharmacy and Nutrition

Registrar Jeana Wendel gave her charge to the graduates, welcoming them into the profession and imparting to the newly minted pharmacists that joining a profession not only comes with the privilege to practice one's chosen profession, but it also comes with obligations and responsibilities to the public they will serve.



Jeana Wendel, SCPP Registrar

The graduates were presented with the Code of Ethics and Oath of Maimonides by Registrar Wendel. Ms. Jordan Kalesnikoff, Senior Stick, responded on behalf of the graduating class and took the opportunity to thank the SCPP for the luncheon, the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition faculty and staff for the assistance over the years, and the parents and families for all the support during their college years. She led the class in reciting the Oath of Maimonides to complete the program.



Jordan Kalesnikoff, Senior Stick

As they disperse across the country, SCPP wishes them all the best in their future careers knowing that their foundation is solid, and the sky is the limit!

# Congratulations Pharmacy Class of 2018!



Graduating Class of 2018

# Membership Summary July 1, 2018

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
PHARMACISTS							
Practising							
Community	976	965	969	1030	1064	1086	1129
Hospital	231	245	250	268	275	286	304
Out-of-Province	84	35	21	39	45	46	48
Other	38	119	176	129	139	140	140
Conditional Practising	44	54	<u>    63</u>	55	<u> </u>	71	49
Total Practising	1373	1418	1479	1521	1579	1629	1670
Non-Practising	45	44	48	45	48	49	53
Associate	55	50	48	47	43	41	37
Retired	91	91	99	101	96	99	103
Total	1564	1603	1674	1714	1766	1818	1863
Terminations	79	69	65	71	79	89	84
PHARMACY TECHNICIANS							
Practising							
Community	-	_	_	_	9	43	77
Hospital	-	_	_	_	24	85	147
Other	-	_	_	_	0	3	5
Out-of-Province	-	-	-	-	-	7	5
Total Practising	-	-	-	-	33	138	234
Non Practising	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
Total	-	-	-	-	33	140	235
Terminations	-	-	-	_	-	13	19

#### Summary

As of July 1, 2018, there were 1,863 pharmacist members on the register, compared to 1,818 members in July 2017. This year's total consists of: 1,670 practising pharmacist members, 53 non-practising pharmacist members, 37 associate pharmacist members and 103 retired pharmacist members. As well, there were 235 pharmacy technicians on the register, compared to 140 in July 2017.

#### Outside Saskatchewan Pharmacist Candidates

Between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 there were 34 candidates from outside of Saskatchewan who registered (of the 34, six were University of Saskatchewan graduates). There were 19 International Pharmacy Graduates (IPGs) who registered as practising members during that time.

#### University of Saskatchewan BSP Graduates

There were 81 graduates from the 2018 BSP class at the University of Saskatchewan. From the group of 81 graduates, 46 became registered initially as Conditional Practising Members on or before July 1.

#### Welcome

SCPP wishes to welcome the College's newest members and encourages them to become active in their profession within their communities and provincially by working with the College and other regulatory and advocacy bodies.

# Regulations Amending the Narcotic Control Regulations and the New Classes of Practitioners Regulations (Diacetylmorphine [Heroin] and Methadone)

On May 19, 2018, Health Canada published regulatory amendments to the Narcotic Control Regulations (NCR) and the New Classes of Practitioners Regulations regarding:

- removal of the requirement for a section 56(1) exemption to conduct activities with methadone, and
- allow for physicians and nurse practitioners to conduct activities with heroin outside hospital settings.

On May 18, 2018, SCPP released <u>a copy of the information provided by Health Canada regarding the amendments</u> regarding the section 56(1) exemption amendment.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan (CPSS) has released instructions to their members regarding this amendment. For further information for physicians, contact CPSS or view their documents at <u>www.cps.sk.ca</u>.

The amendments regarding activities with heroin outside the hospital setting are also now in effect.

The following chart is a quick overview developed by NAPRA, and adapted by SCPP, of the legislation regarding changes to the Narcotic Control Regulations to remove the requirements for a section 56 exemption to conduct activities with methadone and allow for physicians and nurse practitioners to conduct activities with heroin outside hospital settings.

#### http://gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2018/2018-03-21/html/sor-dors37-eng.html

Former	Now in force
Individuals are not allowed to possess heroin for their own use even if they receive it from a practitioner or pursuant to a prescription NCR 3(1)(d)	Individuals will now be allowed to possess heroin for their own use if they received it from a practitioner or pursuant to a prescription
LD can only sell heroin to a practitioner of medicine or dentistry if practising in a hospital NCR 24(4)	LD can sell heroin to a pharmacist, a practitioner of medicine or a nurse practitioner (no restriction on setting) and to a practitioner of dentistry only if practising in a hospital
LD can sell methadone to a pharmacist, but can only sell to a practitioner of medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine or a nurse practitioner if they are practising in hospital NCR 24(3)	LD can sell methadone as per any other narcotic
LD can only accept orders from hospital if the person ordering had a s56 exemption NCR 27 (3.1)	LD can accept orders for methadone as per any other narcotic
No provisions for a pharmacist to sell heroin, because LD cannot sell it to them	Pharmacist can sell heroin to a person if they have received a written order or prescription from a practitioner of medicine or a nurse practitioner (Rx cannot be from a dentist, veterinarian, midwife or podiatrist)
	Pharmacist can sell heroin to a hospital if ordered by a pharmacist or by an MD/dentist/nurse practitioner
Pharmacist can sell methadone to an LD, another pharmacist, a hospital employee, person with a s56 exemption or MD/vet/dentist only if practising in hospital NCR31(3)(a to d)	Pharmacist can sell methadone to an LD, another pharmacist, a hospital employee, person with a s56 exemption or a practitioner (no restrictions to hospital)
Pharmacist can only sell methadone to a person if they have received a written order or prescription signed by a practitioner with a s56 exemption NCR 31(3)(e)	Pharmacist can also sell methadone to a person if they have received a written order or prescription – as per any other narcotic (no s56 exemption requirement)
Pharmacist can only sell methadone to hospital if ordered by the pharmacist or a practitioner with a s56 exemption. NCR 35(1)(b)	Pharmacist can sell methadone to a hospital as per any other narcotic
	Individuals are not allowed to possess heroin for their own use even if they receive it from a practitioner or pursuant to a prescription NCR 3(1)(d) LD can only sell heroin to a practitioner of medicine or dentistry if practising in a hospital NCR 24(4) LD can sell methadone to a pharmacist, but can only sell to a practitioner of medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine or a nurse practitioner if they are practising in hospital NCR 24(3) LD can only accept orders from hospital if the person ordering had a s56 exemption NCR 27 (3.1) No provisions for a pharmacist to sell heroin, because LD cannot sell it to them Pharmacist can sell methadone to an LD, another pharmacist, a hospital employee, person with a s56 exemption or MD/vet/dentist only if practising in hospital NCR31(3)(a to d) Pharmacist can only sell methadone to a person if they have received a written order or prescription signed by a practitioner with a s56 exemption NCR 31(3)(e) Pharmacist can only sell methadone to hospital if ordered by the pharmacist or a practitioner with a s56

	Former	Now in force
Practitioners	Practitioner may not administer, prescribe, sell or provide methadone without a s56 exemption NCR 53(3)	This section will be repealed, practitioners will be allowed to administer, prescribe, sell or provide methadone as per any other narcotic
	Practitioner of medicine, dentistry, veterinary can only administer, prescribe, sell or provide heroin to a hospital patient NCR 53(4)	Practitioner of dentistry and veterinary will only be able to administer, prescribe, sell or provide heroin to a hospital patient. Physicians and nurse practitioners will be able to administer, prescribe, sell or provide heroin to any patient
Hospitals	Person in charge of a hospital can permit sale, provision, administration of methadone to a hospital patient on receipt of a prescription from a practitioner only if they have a s56 exemption NCR 65(2) and 65(5)	Person in charge of a hospital can permit sale, provision, administration of methadone to a hospital patient on receipt of a prescription from a practitioner as per any other narcotic [s65(5) removed]
	Person in charge of a hospital can permit the sale of methadone for emergency use to a pharmacist OR to a hospital employee or a practitioner in another hospital if they receive a written order from the pharmacist or from a practitioner with a s56 exemption NCR 65(3)(4), (5)	Person in charge of a hospital can permit the sale of methadone for emergency use to a pharmacist OR to a hospital employee or a practitioner in another hospital if they receive a written order from the pharmacist or from a practitioner as per any other narcotic [s56(5) removed]
	Person in charge of a hospital can permit the sale of heroin for emergency use to a hospital employee or practitioner in another hospital if they receive a written order from the hospital pharmacist or the practitioner in the hospital NCR 65(3) [can't provide to a pharmacist NCR 65(4)]	Person in charge of a hospital can permit the sale of heroin for emergency use to a pharmacist as well (in addition to sale to a hospital employee or practitioner in another hospital for emergency use)
	Person in charge of a hospital can permit sale, provision, administration of heroin to a hospital patient on receipt of a prescription from a practitioner of medicine or dentistry NCR 65(7)	Person in charge of a hospital can permit sale, provision, administration of heroin to a hospital patient on receipt of a prescription from a practitioner of medicine or dentistry or a nurse practitioner (NP added to the list)
Nurse practitioners	Currently excluded from conducting activities with heroin NCPR 4(2)(b)	Exclusion clause will be removed – will be allowed to conduct activities with heroin at the federal level – will still be subject to provincial or territorial (P/T) scope of practice

#### Notes

1. There is still no approved heroin product on the Canadian market. Diacetylmorphine (heroin) remains accessible in Canada in two ways: through the <u>Special Access Program</u> and through the <u>Importation of Drugs for an Urgent Public Health Need</u> process.

2. Office use prescriptions can be accepted for methadone, but cannot be written for heroin.

# Influenza Vaccination Updates and Information for the 2018/19 Flu Season

The Saskatchewan Influenza Immunization Program (SIIP) will begin **October 22, 2018**, and end on March 31, 2019.

### Publicly Funded Vaccine Products

The publicly funded vaccine products that will be available to be administered by pharmacists to Saskatchewan residents age 5 years and older are FLUZONE and FluLaval Tetra Quadrivalent Inactivated Vaccine (QIV) and contain the following viral strains:

- an A/Michigan/45/2015 (H1N1)pdm09-like virus;
- an A/Singapore/INFIMH-16-0019/2016 (H3N2)-like virus;
- a B/Colorado/06/2017-like virus (B/Victoria/2/87 lineage); and
- a B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus (B/Yamagata/16/88 lineage).

### Pharmacist Administration Changes:

- 1. Pharmacists will be permitted to administer the influenza vaccine to Saskatchewan residents 5 years of age and older.
  - Children age 5 to 8 years old must have their influenza immunization information recorded in their Pharmaceutical Information Profile (PIP) and the Notification of Administration of Influenza Vaccine form **must** be completed by the pharmacist and faxed within three business days to the local public health office (form will be available in Appendix 8 of the SIIP manual). This is critical to public safety as doses for children 8 years old and under will be back entered into Panorama by public health to ensure all health care providers have timely access to determine if children have been immunized, if they require a second dose and the timing of that dose. The pharmacist must also supply the child's primary caregiver with a Record of Influenza Immunization wallet card (available free of charge through the Ministry of Health's Publication Centre).
  - It is expected that PIP and the client's immunization record in the eHR Viewer be reviewed prior to vaccinating all clients but particularly children five to eight years of age to confirm if they require one or two doses for the flu season and ensure the proper interval if two doses are required.
  - A two-dose schedule, with a minimum interval of four weeks between doses is required for children younger than 9 years old who are receiving the influenza immunization for the first time. Children younger than 9 years old requiring a second dose of vaccine can receive immunization until **April 30, 2019**.



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#### 2. Home Visits

• Pharmacists will now be able to deliver the publicly funded influenza vaccine to patients in their own homes. Before a pharmacist may provide this service, they **must** contact a public health representative to ensure that public health or home care is not providing the service in home. If they are not, then the pharmacist is permitted to contact the patient to arrange an appropriate time to provide the influenza immunization. Public health contact information will be available in Appendix 9 of the Saskatchewan Influenza Immunization Policy (SIIP).

#### 3. Congregate Living Settings

- Pharmacists will also now be able to administer the publicly funded influenza vaccine to patients living in congregate living settings. A congregate living setting is defined as a for-profit or not-for-profit public or privately-owned building, which may or may not be licensed by the Government of Saskatchewan. These settings do not receive contracted or ongoing services from public health or other Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) health practitioners and have no operational affiliation to the SHA. Examples include private seniors' apartment buildings, personal care homes, Approved Private Service Homes, assisted living facilities and group homes.
- Before a pharmacist can provide the influenza immunization to patients living in these settings, they **must** first contact a public health representative to ensure that public health or home care is not providing service. If public health is not providing service in the facility, then the pharmacist is permitted to contact the facility to inquire into providing service.

- All providers of the publicly funded influenza vaccination are responsible for reviewing the SIIP and other influenza-related materials prior to the start of the influenza vaccine administration season. The SIIP will become available for review in September 2018 <u>here</u>.
- Advanced Method Certification (AMC) is required prior to administering vaccine. All pharmacists who wish to administer vaccine must initially complete the three components of the Immunization and Injection training, and annually complete the refresher training: Mandatory Update on Immunizations. Training is provided through CPDPP <u>here</u>. Once the training is complete, a pharmacist can apply for AMC by logging into the SCPP portal. Application for AMC must be made annually once the training is complete.
- Registration with The Drug Plan and Extended Benefits Branch (DPEBB) to arrange for Ministry distribution of vaccine through two Saskatchewan pharmacy wholesalers to pharmacies participating in the program

and to share information on participating pharmacies to ensure public awareness of the availability of immunization injections at pharmacies. Information about the program registration was sent by DPEBB on June 28 and emailed by SCPP on July 24 to members.

• Pharmacists who wish to take part in the off-site delivery of the influenza immunization must coordinate with local public health offices in the Saskatchewan Health Authority, Athabasca Health Authority and First Nations Jurisdictions by August 31, 2018.

### Additional Influenza Vaccine Resources

The following additional resources should be reviewed by pharmacists prior to administering the influenza vaccine.

- <u>Saskatchewan Immunization Manual</u>
- <u>Saskatchewan Influenza Fact Sheet</u>
- NACI 2018-19 influenza vaccine statement
- <u>Saskatchewan Influenza Immunization Policy 2018-2019</u> (revised July 2018)

# Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada (PEBC) Examination Dates

#### **Pharmacist Schedule of Exams**

Examination Name	Examination Date	Application Deadline Date*
Fall Pharmacist	MCQ: November 10 to 15, 2018	August 10, 2019
Qualifying Examination	OSCE: November 10, 2018	August 10, 2018
Winter Pharmacist <b>Evaluating Examination</b>	January 8 & 9, 2019	September 28, 2018
Spring Pharmacist	MCQ: May 21 to 25, 2019	Fabruary 22, 2010
Qualifying Examination	OSCE: May 26, 2019	February 22, 2019
Summer Pharmacist Evaluating Examination	June 2019 (TBA)	March 15, 2019

#### Pharmacy Technician Schedule of Exams

Examination Name	Examination Date	Application Deadline Date*	
Summer Pharmacy Technician	MCQ: September 8, 2018	Designation Classed	
Qualifying Examination	OSPE: September 9, 2018	Registration Closed	
Fall Pharmacy Technician Evaluating Examination	October 13, 2018**	Registration Closed	

\* Applications must be **received** by the PEBC office no later than the application deadline date.

\*\* Bridging candidates **must** have the PEBC Evaluating Examination completed by December 31, 2018.

The October 13, 2018 sitting is the **FINAL** opportunity to fulfill the deadline requirement.



## From the Desk of the Dean

#### Dr. Kishor Wasan

#### College of Pharmacy and Nutrition: Proud of Our Tradition and Home of Research and Practice Innovation

For the latest news from the College, visit our website: <u>pharmacy-nutrition.usask.ca</u>

It was a spectacular academic year at the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition, and I couldn't be more proud of our people. Our faculty have been earning prestigious awards and appointments, while our students have demonstrated their professionalism and motivation. Here are some of the highlights since my last report:

#### Retirements

 On Friday, July 13, faculty, staff and guests gathered at the University Club to celebrate
 Dr. Alfred Remillard's retirement. He was recognized for his 35 years on campus and his pioneering work in psychiatric pharmacy.



• On Wednesday, June 20, faculty, staff and guests gathered at

the University Club to celebrate one final time before **Dr. Shawna Berenbaum** officially retired after an academic career that spanned more than 30 years.

Congratulations on your well-deserved retirements, Fred and Shawna!

#### **Faculty News**

- **Dr. Kishor Wasan** will be stepping down as dean of the college after completing his term in June 2019. He has accepted the deanship and as professor with tenure at the Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Toronto, which he will begin July 1, 2019. <u>Read more.</u>
- **Dr. Jaris Swidrovich** joined the college as an Assistant Professor in the Division of Pharmacy on June 1. He has been a Lecturer in the college since August 2015.
- Dr. Allison Cammer joined the college as an Assistant Professor in the Division of Nutrition on July 1. She was previously at Ryerson University as an Assistant Professor at the School of Nutrition, Faculty of Community Services.
- **Dr. Katelyn Halpape** will join the college as an Assistant Professor in the Division of Pharmacy in the areas of psychiatric medicine, mental health and neurology on December 1.

### Convocation

The convocation ceremony for the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition was held on Thursday, June 7 at 9 a.m. at TCU Place. The University conferred 81 pharmacy and 21 nutrition undergraduate degrees during the ceremony. Congratulations to Kelly Fitterer and Alexa McEwen who were recognized as the most distinguished graduates in pharmacy and nutrition.



### Research Grants

The Saskatchewan Health

Research Foundation has recently awarded research grants to three faculty members:

- **Dr. Robert Laprairie** received \$120,000 for his project "Modulation of the Endocannabinoid System in the GAERS Rat Model of Absence Epilepsy."
- **Dr. Jessica Lieffers** received \$79,687 for her project "Nutrition and Tooth Decay in Children: An Analysis of Parental Perspective and Publicly Available Written Information."
- **Dr. Holly Mansell** also received a total of \$25,000 from SHRF and The Lung Association, Saskatchewan for her project "Pharmacokinetics of Apixaban + Tacrolimus or Cyclosporine in Lung Transplant Recipients."

**Dr. Phyllis Paterson** received a new Canadian Institutes of Health Research Program Operating Grant in the Spring 2018 Project Grant Program Competition for \$100,000 for her project entitled "Nutritional Intervention: Targeting Multiple Systems to Enhance Post-Stroke Recovery."

I encourage everyone to take a break this summer and enjoy the beautiful weather. It's time to rest and rejuvenate, and reconnect with family and friends. The College of Pharmacy and Nutrition will be a busy place this fall and I'm excited for things to come.

Kish Wasan, R.Ph, Ph.D, FAAPS, FCSPS, FCAHS Professor and Dean



# Privacy Officer Certification and Recertification

Every pharmacy manager applying for a proprietary pharmacy permit is responsible for designating a privacy officer. The designee can be either the pharmacy manager or another practising pharmacist or pharmacy technician employed at the pharmacy. A privacy officer can only represent **one pharmacy** and must complete the required training and certification.

Online training information is available on the <u>Continuing</u> <u>Professional Development for Pharmacy Professionals</u> (<u>CPDPP</u>) <u>Online Courses</u> website page. When the CPDPP training is completed, members must contact CPDPP to advise the course has been completed.

Privacy officer training is valid for a period of **three (3) years** from date of completion and should always remain up to date. For example, training completed on July 5, 2015, would expire on July 5, 2018. In this instance, the recertification training should be completed and SCPP notified (by CPDPP) prior to July 5, 2018, to ensure there is no lapse.

During the **Pharmacy Permit Renewal** application process beginning mid-September 2018, pharmacy managers can review and/or update the current privacy officer name and training effective dates. To meet permit renewal requirements, the assigned privacy officer **must have training valid to at least January 31, 2019**, for the application to be approved by the College without the privacy officer requiring recertification. Where a designated privacy officer's training **expires PRIOR to December 1, 2018, recertification training must be undertaken and completed before the November 1, 2018 renewal deadline.** 

# How to View Current Privacy Officer Information and Expiration Date

Pharmacy managers may view their pharmacy's current privacy officer's name and **training valid dates** by logging into the "**Pharmacy Manager Portal**" (not their pharmacist "Member Portal"). From the SCPP website home page (www.saskpharm.ca), click MEMBER LOGIN and enter the **pharmacy manager username and password** (different from member username and password). To retrieve forgotten usernames or passwords, click on the prompt below the login section or email SCPP. Once logged into the portal, the **Assigned Privacy Officer** name and training dates (from/to) are viewable in the left-hand column under the "Membership Information" column.

For questions about SCPP's privacy officer requirements, contact Pat at <u>pat.guillemin@saskpharm.ca</u> or at 306-584-2292 extension 321. To register for CPDPP programs or follow up about completed training, <u>contact CPDPP</u>.

# Permit Renewal 2018-19 Information

With the permit renewal season just around the corner, please be aware of the following:

- Permit renewal e-notifications will be sent in September to the pharmacy manager's (pharmacy) email address
- Deadline for submission of the online permit renewal application is November 1, 2018, and includes:
  - Payment of pharmacy permit and COMPASS fees;
  - Meeting privacy officer and COMPASS Quality Improvement Coordinator certification or recertification requirements; and
  - Meeting the legislation/guidelines for corporate director structure, including: pharmacy manager is a director, and the pool of directors consists of a majority of SCPP members. [*The Pharmacy and Pharmacy Disciplines Act* section 19(1); and SCPP Regulatory Bylaw clause 4(e), Part I]
- **Pharmacy managers are responsible** for ensuring that SCPP receives all requirements listed above by the deadline of November 1, 2018

### Proprietary Pharmacy Permit Fees

Description	Co	ost
Community Pharmacy Permit Fee COMPASS Fee* GST <b>Total</b>	\$ <b>\$</b>	1,450.00 500.00 <u>97.50</u> <b>2,047.50</b>
Satellite Pharmacy Permit Fee COMPASS Fee** GST <b>Total</b>	\$ <b>\$</b>	730.00 0.00 <u>36.50</u> <b>766.50</b>
Late Payment Penalty Fee (Late payment/submission penalty fee is applicable on submissions occurring after November 1, 2018) GST	\$	255.00
Total	\$	267.75

\* applies to new pharmacy permits or permit renewals

\*\* ISMP charges SCPP a \$170.00 COMPASS subscription fee for satellite pharmacies. SCPP will absorb this cost as well as the administrative fees for 2018-2019 permit renewal year.

## Life-Long Learning

#### Tami Schwebius

Congratulations to Tami Schwebius, Complaints Manager at SCPP. Tami recently completed the **National Certified Investigator & Inspector Training (NCIT)** with the Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulations (CLEAR).

The NCIT Basic Program covers areas of: Professional Conduct; Principles of Administrative Law and the Regulatory Process; Investigative Process; Investigator Safety; Principles of Evidence; Evidence Collection, Tagging & Storage; Interviewing Techniques; Overview of Inspections and Inspection Procedures; Report Writing and Testifying in Administrative and Criminal Proceedings. As the legal assistant on staff, Tami is tasked with preparing all reports and documents for the Complaints Committee and the Discipline Committee. Although Tami has always worked in the legal field, she and the College recognize that the law is constantly evolving and understand the importance of continuous learning–no matter what field of expertise.

Having achieved the NCIT Basic Program accreditation, Tami is now eligible to move on to more in-depth study.

Well done, Tami!

### Brittany Sharkey

Congratulations to Brittany Sharkey, Professional Affairs Administrator at the College. Brittany completed two training programs this year. The first was the **Saskatchewan Institute of Health Leadership (SIHL) Program** through the Centre for Continuing Education at the University of Regina. This five-month program includes professionals from all disciplines and all levels within the health care system. The program included retreats, lectures, workshops, projects and a personal leadership challenge. Brittany successfully completed the program and received her certificate in April 2018.

The second major training event was held in New Jersey in July 2018. Brittany completed the

#### Sterile Compounding Inspector Training (SCIT)

provided by CriticalPoint in partnership with the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP). She first prepared for the event with 40 hours of prelearning, followed by 27.5 hours of onsite training including all aspects of sterile compounding. This included hands-on exercises in hand hygiene and garbing; environmental sampling, aseptic technique and first air; bubble point and sterility testing. The training also included 6 hours on hazardous drug handling.

Congratulations to Brittany for earning both her SIHL certificate and the NABP/CriticalPoint Certification in Sterile Compounding for Inspectors (CISCI). Brittany is now a certified inspector!



# SCPP Staff Comings and Goings

### Coming



The College is thrilled to announce that **Nick Fattore**, a newly minted pharmacy graduate from the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition, has joined the SCPP staff for the summer. Nick completed an SPEP rotation at the College in the spring of 2018 and was rehired for the summer to work on several initiatives that are currently underway at the office.

He will be updating the membership on several changes that are soon to be coming into effect on the national front: legalization of recreational marijuana, changes to the NCR regarding heroin and methadone, and changes to prescribing veterinary drug products, to name a few.

### Going

The College staff are sad for us, but excited for **Perry Hermanson**. He has accepted the position of Drug and Pharmacy Program Lead with eHealth. Perry has done a wonderful job as the PIP Data Quality Facilitator and will be missed at the Monday morning staff meetings. We wish Perry all the best at his new position and look forward



to connecting with him at eHealth in the days ahead. Congratulations Perry!

# Announcing New Deputy Registrar



Several months ago, Jeanne Eriksen announced her retirement from her role as Deputy Registrar. After working with Harris Leadership Strategies to find a replacement among the many able applicants, the College is very pleased to announce that **Lori Postnikoff** is the successful candidate.

SCPP President Justin Kosar says,

"On behalf of the membership and Council, I am so excited to welcome Lori as Deputy Registrar. She brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this position and I am certain that her skills and leadership will continue to be celebrated in this new role. Lori's strong commitment to the College and ability to understand and apply relevant bylaws, standards and processes while also being a strong link to members is certainly an asset."

Lori is currently in the role of Assistant Registrar – Field Operations and Complaints Director for SCPP. She will continue her existing duties over the summer before officially beginning her role as Deputy Registrar on September 4, 2018. Please join the College in welcoming Lori to her upcoming new role.

# Thank You and Farewell to Jeanne Eriksen



The College would like to thank Deputy Registrar **Jeanne Eriksen** for her years of service as she heads into retirement.

Jeanne has been instrumental in several developments at the College over the last 20 years. Throughout her career, she played a lead role in developing and managing the College's pharmacy permit, registration

and licensing system and policies. She supported many important committees such as Complaints and Investigations, Professional Practice, Registration and Licensing Policies, and Awards and Honours, and in these roles contributed to College policy development. Other roles included supervising/managing communications such as our newsletters, annual reports and events such as conferences, annual meetings and convocation luncheons. She also served in advisory roles to continuing professional development and technician training. The latter was especially relevant to her integral role in leading the regulation of pharmacy technicians within the College. Overseeing day-to-day operations, Jeanne can also be credited with the level of professionalism members experience.

Saying goodbye is never easy, especially to someone who has been such a valued team member. Jeanne's many achievements, supportive leadership style and finely-tuned sense of humour will be long remembered. The College would like to express its gratitude and sincere thanks to Jeanne. We all wish her the very best in retirement.

# Notes from the Field

## New Opioid Substitution Guidelines on the Way – Lock Boxes for Methadone Carries Recommended for Patients

Our summer staff member, Nicholas Fattore, is busy updating and revising the methadone guidelines to reflect the use of Suboxone and best practices. More information will be available in the coming months regarding the guidelines.

In the meantime, pharmacists should RECOMMEND to their patients receiving methadone that they have a suitable storage device to transport their carries that can be locked (i.e. lock box). It is important that patients can safely transport their carries from the pharmacy to their homes. ALTHOUGH A LOCK BOX IS NOT REQUIRED FOR TRANSPORTATION, A LOCK BOX IS REQUIRED FOR STORING CARRIES AT HOME to ensure that the methadone is stored safely and securely and kept away from children and individuals for whom it is not intended. There have been cases of accidental overdose when a child or opiate naive adult has ingested methadone in the past.

## **Conditional Practicing Members**

Graduates of the class of 2018 who have not yet written or passed their PEBCs retain a conditional practicing membership.

Pharmacy managers are reminded to review the SCPP Regulatory Bylaws Part E-3 and the reference manual document <u>Conditional Licensure Guidelines for Conditional</u> <u>Licensees and Supervising Pharmacists</u> for more information on their responsibilities.

# Upcoming Continuing Education

Program	Pharmacists/Pharmacy Technicians	Provider	Date	For more information:
COMPASS Quality Improvement Coordinator training	Pharmacists/Pharmacy Technicians	CPDPP	Online	Register
Privacy Officer Certification/Recertification	Pharmacists	CPDPP	Online	<u>Register</u>
Medication Safety Considerations for Compliance Packaging	Pharmacists/Pharmacy Technicians	ISMP e-learning	Online	<u>Brochure</u>
New Minor Ailments Training Courses	Pharmacists	CPDPP	Various	<u>Website</u>
Oncology Fundamentals Day 2018	Pharmacists/Pharmacy Technicians	CAPhO	Sept. 22, 2018	<u>Website</u>

