

# Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties

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## Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties Announces New Board and Specialty Council Members and Officers for 2009

(Washington, DC) -- The Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties (BPS), an agency whose purpose is to recognize pharmacy specialties and certify pharmacists' knowledge and skills at the advanced practice level, announces the appointment or reappointment of members and the election of officers of its Board and Specialty Councils for 2009.

### BOARD OF PHARMACEUTICAL SPECIALTIES APPOINTMENTS AND OFFICERS FOR 2009

As of the end of 2008, John E. Murphy, PharmD; A. Jeffrey Newell, RPh; and David A. Swankin, JD completed three-year terms on the Board and were not eligible or did not elect to seek reappointment. In accordance with the Board's recent reorganization, the following members were newly appointed for 2009: Sharon M. Durfee, BS, BCNSP (Nutrition Support pharmacy specialist); Susan Goodin, PharmD, BCOP (Oncology pharmacy specialist); George H. Hinkle, MS, BCNP (Nuclear pharmacy specialist); Maria Llana Posey, PharmD, BCPP (Psychiatric pharmacy specialist); Beth Mertz, MAPA (Public member); and Dick R. Gourley, PharmD (APhA Trustee representative). Ms. Mertz' term is for three years (2009-2011); the duration of other new specialist members' terms will be determined in 2009.

BPS elected Terry L. Schwinghammer, PharmD, BCPS to serve as its Chair for 2009. Rebecca S. Finley, PharmD, was elected to serve in the new office of Chair Elect, and Jannet M. Carmichael, PharmD, BCPS will serve as Past Chair for 2009.

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## NEW APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE BPS SPECIALTY COUNCILS FOR 2009

### **Specialty Council on Nuclear Pharmacy:**

The American Pharmacists Association (APhA) reappointed Walter Sterzinger, PharmD, BCNP, Wisconsin Medical Cyclotron, Milwaukee, WI and appointed Scott Knishka, BCNP, University of Wisconsin Hospital, Madison, WI to fill the open specialist positions on the Council for the 2009-2011 term. Carmen Aceves Blumenthal, B Pharm, MS, Comprehensive Pharmacy Services, Miami, FL was reappointed by the BPS Board to serve a three-year term as a non-specialist member on the Specialty Council for 2009-2011. Wendy Galbraith, PharmD, BCNP and Fred Gattas III, PharmD, BCNP were elected to serve as Chair and Vice Chair respectively for 2009.

### **Specialty Council on Nutrition Support Pharmacy:**

The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) and the American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (A.S.P.E.N.) jointly reappointed Jacqueline R. Barber, PharmD, BCNSP, Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park, MN and appointed Catherine M. Crill, PharmD, BCPS, BCNSP, University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy, Memphis, TN to three-year terms for 2009-2011 as specialists on the Council. Jay F. Mouser, PharmD, Sanofi-Aventis Pharmaceuticals, Portland, OR was appointed by the BPS Board to a second term on the Specialty Council as a non-specialist member. Sharon M. Durfee, BS, BCNSP and Jacqueline Barber were elected to serve as Chair and Vice Chair respectively for 2009.

### **Specialty Council on Oncology Pharmacy:**

ASHP reappointed David W. Henry, MS, BCOP, Kansas University Medical Center, Kansas City, KS and appointed Lisa E. Davis, PharmD, BCOP, Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, Philadelphia, PA to serve three-year terms as specialists on the Council (2009-2011). Becky A. Nagle, PharmD, BCPS, Medco Health Solutions, Inc, Franklin Lakes, NJ was appointed by the BPS Board to serve a three-year term on the Specialty Council as a non-specialist. Rowena N. Schwartz, PharmD, BCOP and David W. Henry were elected to serve as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively for 2009.

**Specialty Council on Pharmacotherapy:**

The American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP) reappointed Laura B. Hansen, PharmD, BCPS, University of Colorado, Denver, CO and appointed Elizabeth Ann Chester, PharmD, BCPS, Kaiser Permanente Colorado, Denver, CO to three-year terms (2009-2011) as specialist members of the Council. The BPS Board reappointed Mary E. Burkhardt, MS, RPh, Medco Health Solutions, Ypsilanti, MI to a three-year term on the Specialty Council as a non-specialist member. Julie M. Wright, PharmD, BCPS and Laura Hansen were elected to serve as Chair and Vice Chair respectively for 2009.

**Specialty Council on Psychiatric Pharmacy:**

ASHP reappointed Jessica L. Gören, PharmD, BCPP, Cambridge Health Alliance, Somerville, MA and appointed Louise G. Cohen, PharmD, BCPP, Independent Consultant, Chestnut Hill, MA to three-year terms on the Specialty Council (2009-2011). Carla B. Frye, PharmD, BCPS, Epi-Q, Inc, Oak Brook, IL was reappointed by BPS to serve a three-year term on the Specialty Council as a non-specialist representative. Julie M. Kissack, PharmD, BCPP, Harding University College of Pharmacy, Searcy, AR and Jerry McKee, PharmD, BCPP, Broughton Hospital Pharmacy, Morganton, NC were elected to serve as Chair and Vice Chair respectively for 2009.

The **Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties (BPS)** was founded by the American Pharmaceutical Association (now the American Pharmacists Association, APhA) in January 1976 to recognize specialties and certify pharmacists in areas of specialized pharmacy practice. Five specialties are currently recognized by BPS: 1) nuclear pharmacy, since 1978; 2) nutrition support pharmacy, since 1988; 3) pharmacotherapy, since 1988; 4) psychiatric pharmacy, since 1992; and 5) oncology pharmacy, since 1996. Nearly 8,000 pharmacist specialists are currently certified by BPS.

Short Bios of the BPS Board members and Specialty Council Chairs for 2009 follow.

## Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties

### Appointed Members for 2009

**Terry L. Schwinghammer, BCPS (Chair 2009)** is Professor and Chair, Department of Clinical Pharmacy at the West Virginia University School of Pharmacy in Morgantown. Dr. Schwinghammer earned the Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Pharmacy degrees from Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana. He completed a hospital/clinical residency at the Indiana University Hospitals, and is a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist.

**Rebecca S. Finley (Chair Elect 2009)** is Dean of the Jefferson School of Pharmacy at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Dr. Finley earned the Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Pharmacy degrees from the University of Cincinnati College of Pharmacy, and the Master of Science in Institutional Pharmacy from the University of Maryland. She also completed residency training at the University of Cincinnati Hospitals, Cincinnati, Ohio. Dr. Finley is a past president of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP).

**Jannet M. Carmichael, BCPS (Immediate Past Chair 2009)** is VISN 21 Pharmacy Executive/VISN 21 Pharmacy Benefits Manager for the Department of Veterans Affairs Sierra Pacific Network, based in Reno, Nevada. She also serves as Associate Professor of Medicine in the School of Medicine, University of Nevada, Reno. Dr. Carmichael earned the Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from the University of Iowa and the Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of the Pacific. She is past-president of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, past member of the Nevada Board of Pharmacy, and a Fellow of the College of Clinical Pharmacy. She previously served as Chair of the Specialty Council on Pharmacotherapy and is currently the Pharmacotherapy specialist member of the Board.

**Sharon M. Durfee, BCNSP** is Director, Poudre Infusion Therapy, LLC in Fort Collins, Colorado. She earned the Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree from the University of Wyoming, where she currently holds an Adjunct Clinical Faculty appointment. Ms. Durfee has extensive experience in practice and teaching in the nutrition support field. She is the Chair of the Specialty Council on Nutrition Support Pharmacy and is currently the Nutrition Support Pharmacy specialist member of the Board.

**Sandra R. Edwardson** is Professor of Nursing at the University of Minnesota School of Nursing in Minneapolis. She earned the Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, the Master of Nursing degree from the University of Washington in Seattle, and the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Hospital and Health Care Administration from the University of Minnesota. She recently completed a year-long assignment as Senior Nurse Scholar at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Department of Health and Human Services, in Rockville, Maryland. Dr. Edwardson serves as a non-pharmacist health professional member of the Board.

**Susan Goodin, BCOP** is Director, Division of Pharmaceutical Sciences at The Cancer Center of New Jersey, in New Brunswick, New Jersey. She also serves as Associate Professor of Medicine, Division of Medical Oncology at the UMDNJ/Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. Dr. Goodin earned the Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy and Doctor of Pharmacy degrees from the University of Kentucky in Lexington. She also completed Pharmacy Practice and Oncology Pharmacy residencies at the University of Kentucky Medical Center. She is past Chair of the Specialty Council on Oncology Pharmacy and is currently the Oncology Pharmacy specialist member of the Board.

**George H. Hinkle, BCNP** is Associate Professor in the Division of Pharmacy Practice and Administration at the College of Pharmacy, The Ohio State University. He also serves as Director of Nuclear Pharmacy Services at the Ohio State University Medical Center and Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Radiology, School of Medicine, The Ohio State University. He earned the Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy and the Master of Science in Bionucleonics and Nuclear Pharmacy from Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana. Mr. Hinkle is past Chair of the Specialty Council on Nuclear Pharmacy and is currently the Nuclear Pharmacy specialist member of the Board.

**Beth Mertz** is Program Director, Pharmacy Leadership Institute at the Center for the Health Professions, University of California, San Francisco. She earned the Bachelor of Arts in Political Science degree from the University of Southern California, and a Master of Arts in Public Affairs from the University of Minnesota. She has worked on a broad range of health professions workforce policy and analysis projects. Ms. Mertz serves as the public member of the Board.

**Maria Llana Posey, BCPP** is Regional Research and Medical Specialist for Pfizer, Inc. She earned the Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Texas A&M University in College Station, a Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology from Boston College in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, and the Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Texas at Austin and San Antonio. Dr. Posey also completed a Psychiatric Pharmacy Residency at the University of Texas and Austin State Hospital. She is a past Chair of the Specialty Council on Psychiatric Pharmacy, and is currently the Psychiatric Pharmacy specialist member of the Board.

**Marsha A. Raebel** is Investigator, Pharmacotherapy Research in the Institute for Health Research at Kaiser Permanente Colorado in Denver. She also serves as a Clinical Associate Professor of Pharmacy at the University of Colorado School of Pharmacy. Dr. Raebel earned the Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from South Dakota State University, and completed her Doctor of Pharmacy degree and Clinical Practice Residency in Adult Medicine at the University of Texas at Austin. She was a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist from 1992-2006.

**Edward Westrick** is Vice President, Medical Management for UMass Memorial Healthcare in Worcester, Massachusetts. He is also a Clinical Assistant Professor of Family Medicine, Brown University School of Medicine; and Adjunct Assistant Professor of Applied Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Rhode Island. He earned the MD degree from the New Jersey Medical School and the PhD in Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoeconomics from the University of Rhode Island. Dr. Westrick is a Diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine and the American Board of Quality Assurance and Utilization Review Physicians. He serves as a non-pharmacist health professional member of the Board.

## **Ex-Officio/Non-Voting Members for 2009**

**Dick R. Gourley** is Professor and Dean, College of Pharmacy at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis. He earned the Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Pharmacy degrees from the University of Tennessee. He previously served as Professor and Dean at Mercer University School of Pharmacy and Chair, Department of Pharmacy Practice at the University of Nebraska. Dr. Gourley completed two full terms on the BPS Board, serving as Chair from 1995-1997. He is currently the APhA Trustee member representative to the BPS Board.

**Richard J. Bertin** is Executive Director of the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties. Dr. Bertin earned the Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from the University of Pittsburgh, Master of Science in Hospital Pharmacy from the University of Minnesota, and Doctor of Philosophy with a major in Pharmacy Administration from the University of Minnesota. Prior to joining BPS, he held several clinical and administrative positions with the United States Public Health Service, where he served as Chief Pharmacist Officer and Assistant Surgeon General. He joined BPS as its first full-time Executive Director in 1997.