

THE MISSOURI PHARMACY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP PACKET

*“PHARMACISTS AT THE FOREFRONT
OF CARE AND COMMUNITY”*

THANK YOU!

To Our Amazing Members,

Thank you for your support and dedication to the profession of pharmacy in Missouri. I hope you will make your voice heard and join us for our events, advocacy, research and educational opportunities.

The MPA is dedicated to a collective goal – promoting and protecting the profession of pharmacy.

The MPA offers strength in numbers when it comes to sharing the opinions of you and your peers and the needs of Missouri pharmacists, technicians, and student pharmacists. MPA works hard for its members at the Missouri Capitol, and fights to ensure that the practice of pharmacy is protected and will flourish for years to come.

We look forward to the next year and working with you, our member.

Sincerely,



Ron L. Fitzwater, CAE
Chief Executive Officer



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ABOUT THE MPA

“AFTER GRADUATION, NEW PHARMACISTS RECEIVE THEIR FIRST YEAR OF MEMBERSHIP FOR FREE”

MISSION

Promote and protect the role of pharmacists as the medication expert in patient care relationships, and as an integral part of the health care team.

VISION

Pharmacists at the forefront of care and community.



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EVENTS | STAY IN THE KNOW

“DON'T MISS OUT. BE THE FIRST TO KNOW ABOUT IMPORTANT NEWS & EVENTS”

EVENTS

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GET INVOLVED | OPPORTUNITIES

“MPA IS COMMITTED TO PROGRAMS & PROJECTS THAT PROMOTE THE PHARMACY PROFESSION & WORK TO OVERCOME BARRIERS AND EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES.”

Priority Goals for Grant-Funded Work

- Build infrastructure to support scalability & sustainability
- Develop education & training programs
- Pilot & build programs & services provided by pharmacy teams
- Establish partnerships & enhance non-pharmacist health care provider relationships

PROJECTS

- Diabetes Self Management Education & Support (DSMES) accreditation & training, providing support in marketing, implementation, & billing for services in a pharmacy
- Vaccine Screening & Longitudinal Counseling through Med Sync involving a Pharmacist and CHW team
- Piloting health equity services & screening for social determinants of health (SDoH) in pharmacy settings
- Development of a Train-the-Trainer model in Optimal Prescribing for Pain Management through collaboration of pharmacists and providers

PARTNERS

- CDC, Missouri Department of Health & Senior Services (DHSS), & local County Health Departments
- Missouri Board of Pharmacy (Rx Cares for Missouri Program)
- Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA)
- Missouri Foundation for Health
- Cardinal Health Foundation
- National Kidney Foundation
- UMKC School of Pharmacy & UHSP
- Washington University Brown School of Public Health
- Saint Louis University
- CEimpact
- CPESN Missouri & CPESN Health Equity

Education & Certificate Training Programs

- Community Health Worker (CHW) Course for pharmacy technicians, developed by pharmacy experts from Missouri, offered through CEimpact. For more information, visit www.ceimpact.com/chw
- Pharmacist Immunization Certificate Training Program
- Pharmacy Technician Immunization Certificate Training Program
- Diabetes Specialist Training Program

ADVOCACY EFFORTS

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HOW YOU CAN BECOME AN ADVOCATE

Get Involved in the MPA

Join your fellow MPA members, colleagues, and friends in promoting and protecting the role of pharmacy by getting involved in our events, committees, and year-round advocacy efforts.

Develop Relationships

Find your state congressmen here and begin to develop a relationship with them - invite them to visit your pharmacy, promote pharmacy and patient-centric legislation, and be a resource for them and their staff.

Bring Issues to Light

We are here to serve and support our members. If there are any questions you need answered or issues you need addressed, we're here to provide answers and solutions. Our staff are available to assist, so please reach out.

HOW MPA MAKES YOUR VOICE HEARD

MPA ensures that you have the information you need to develop a coalition around a specific issue. The MPA is here to represent you in the most effective manner possible, and supports you in providing representation among national pharmacy organizations. We work closely and collaborate with Missouri's Colleges of Pharmacy and the Missouri Board of Pharmacy.

PAST LEGISLATIVE WINS FOR MPA

NRT Prescriptive Authority

Pharmacists are the only non-physician healthcare providers with independent prescriptive authority in their ability to prescribe nicotine replacement therapies.

Reimbursement for Services and PBM Regulations

As pharmacy services continue to expand, the MPA continues to fight for pharmacy reimbursement. We are also on the front lines of reigning in and regulating Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs), pushing for increased transparency to ultimately decrease the cost of care for patients and the health care system.

Decreased the Vaccine Age Limitation

The MPA promoted pharmacies as increasing access to care for patients and the impact you have on increasing vaccination rates in your communities. The age limit for patients able to receive a vaccine from a pharmacist decreased from 12 years old to 7 years old.

DONATE TODAY

TO THE PHARMACIST POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE OF MISSOURI (PPAC)

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Dear Missouri Pharmacy Members,

As an avid and passionate advocate for the promotion and protection of the profession of pharmacy, I am urging you to donate to the Pharmacist Political Action Committee of Missouri (PPAC). The activity of the PPAC is an essential element of our association's governmental affairs program and is crucial to keep your profession's interests well represented in the public policy process.

The MPA tracks key issues in the policymaking process and the elected legislators and candidates who support and give their consideration to the many issues that are vital to the pharmacy profession. Although pharmacy has been fairing well in the Missouri General Assembly, any election could tip the scales. While your vote counts more than ever, so does that extra effort with which you support a candidate. Your efforts beyond the ballot box are pivotal to ensuring a candidate's success.

Through the PPAC you can be assured that your financial contribution is put exactly where it needs to go to elect the candidates who will support pharmacy-friendly legislation and initiatives.

If you're not at the table, you're on the menu. My role and a priority of the Missouri Pharmacy Association is to make sure you are always at the table and your voice is heard loud and clear.

Sincerely,

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