

# Student Posters

## Final Call for Abstracts

2009 Mid Year Conference

February 6th – 8th

### ***Beyond Dispensing***

The 2009 PPA Mid Year Conference theme is ***Beyond Dispensing***. Pharmacy is no longer just about dispensing drugs. Pharmacists now have opportunities to fully utilize their medication knowledge and expertise in ever-expanding ways. From medication therapy management and medication adherence to specific disease state management programs and collaborative practice, the face of pharmacy is evolving to a patient care model through inter-professional teams. The future for pharmacy lies in the ability of pharmacists to work as full members of the health care team and in building new care delivery opportunities in innovative yet practical ways. Yet pharmacy is somewhat trapped in the old as the new unfolds. Having the skills and tools to help make changes happen is crucial. Today's pharmacist must be a leader and an advocate in his or her community for this change. The conference program is designed to help you build your activism, involvement, networking, business, and patient care skills – all of which are needed to effect change. ***Students are invited to provide their vision for pharmacy practice in the future in a special poster session.***



*At the 2008 Mid Year Conference, students displayed their posters during an interactive “Beer and Banter” session. The entire PPA membership was invited to view the posters, and hold discussions with the students concerning their vision for the future of pharmacy practice as depicted on their posters.*

#### **You and your classmates could be featured in this year’s event:**

Students (individually or in groups of up to three) should develop their posters around the theme Beyond Dispensing. Possible topics might include:

- Innovative services pharmacists will provide
- Strategies used to deliver patient care services
- Pharmacist community and political involvement
- Working with prescribers and with other health care professionals

***Please see reverse side for details on the submission process and general information.***



### General Information

There is no limit to the number of abstracts any given school may submit. Depending on the total number of submissions, the selection committee may choose, if need be, to limit accepted abstracts to a specific number from each school for presentation.

All presenters whose abstracts are accepted for presentation will be expected to register for and attend the PPA Mid Year Conference.

Posters will be presented during the Saturday late afternoon reception, tentatively scheduled for between 5 and 6:30 p.m. Additionally, posters will be on display throughout the conference.

Accepted abstracts will be printed in a final program provided to all conference attendees.

Accepted abstracts will also be published on PPA's website and referenced in weekly emails to all members.



**Abstracts are limited to 2,250 characters including spaces and should include all of the following sections:**

**Title** should be typed in mixed capital and lower case letters (as appropriate)

**Author or authors' names** (first name, middle initial, last name) and school

**Body of abstract:**

**Description** of future vision (what will practice look like if your vision comes to fruition)

**Implications** (what are the implications for education, for patient care, for other healthcare providers, for healthcare systems, etc.)

**Transformation** (what it will take to achieve the stated vision)

**Cautions:**

The abstract should be clear, concise, and free of graphs, tables, and illustrations.

The abstract must be free of grammatical and typographical errors.

Abstracts must be received no later than **December 17, 2008** to be considered by the selection committee. The selection committee will be members of PPA's Patient Care Committee. All communications regarding the status of the submission will be handled with the first listed author on the abstract. Lead authors will be notified by **January 10, 2009** of the results of the review.

Each abstract should be sent as a Word attachment in an email sent to PPA. The email should be sent to Adia McPherson, PPA's Membership Coordinator at [ajm@papharmacists.com](mailto:ajm@papharmacists.com).