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Thank you!

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Thank you, thank you, thank you! 2012-2013 was a very successful year for the College of Pharmacy, and we have each of you to thank for this success! The academic year started with our notification from the NABP (National Association of Boards of Pharmacy) that the Class of 2012 achieved a perfect 100% passing performance on the NAPLEX Board examination for the May-August testing window! That success was a tribute to the efforts of our faculty and staff in training our students, and the diligence of the Class of 2012 in serious preparation for an excellent outcome. In October, we welcomed the site visitors from the American Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) who praised the work of our students, faculty, staff, alumni and administration in preparation for the site visit, and our thorough two year self-study of the Pharm.D. program. This site visit resulted in the highly anticipated full re-accreditation of the Doctor of Pharmacy Program at Howard University! We were also able to establish a Board of Visitors for the College of Pharmacy comprised of eleven leaders in the fields of pharmacy, education, health care and research. The members were appointed to the board by President Ribeau after a comprehensive national search and with advice from alumni and industry leaders. The Board of Visitors immediately began contributing to the fabric of the College through establishment and funding of three new scholarships, support for a New Building Planning Fund, as well as facilitating contact with pharmacy and industry leaders to strengthen opportunities for students and faculty.

Our Non-Traditional Doctor of Pharmacy program welcomed the largest cohort in that program’s history (24 students). Additionally, we admitted the largest Entry-Level Pharm.D. class (74 students) in over eight years. These students highlight the growing interest in our programs, and speak to the high caliber of education that is provided by our faculty. We are excited about the growing use of technology in our program as we pilot tested the use of lecture capture software in our Pharmacy Biomedical Program (Minipreview) last summer. Additionally, this was the first course that was provided through synchronous online teaching. With the University’s recent contract with a lecture capture vendor, the College is moving to capture the content of all courses online this academic year. Our faculty continue to be very productive in scholarship and research endeavors. This productivity was reflected with over 25 publications in peer-reviewed journals, over 60 presentations at local, national and international meetings, and submission of nearly 40 grant applications to various sponsors. To date, we have a funded grant portfolio exceeding $15 millions over the next several years including continued funding of our Center of Excellence (HRSA), international projects funded by the CDC and USAID, and NIH-supported grants in several areas. Further, the College signed a multi-year agreement with TNI BioTech Inc., a Bethesda, Md., biotech firm that develops immunotherapy drugs to treat patients with chronic diseases, including HIV/AIDS. The College of...
Pharmacy will assist in TNI BioTech's efforts to provide affordable health care and the development of pharmaceutical skills in Africa. We continue to lead in training African health professionals to address severe health problems on the continent.

Speaking of international activities, the College initiated the International Experiential Rotation program in June, 2013 by placing five students at sites in Ethiopia, Zambia, and South Africa. Students participated in clinical experiences at Black Lion Hospital in Addis Ababa, Livingstone General Hospital in Zambia, and with the Howard University Regional Office in Pretoria, South Africa. Plans to expand this opportunity include pending sites in India, Ghana, Nigeria, and Trinidad. The College also supported two students to participate in a medical and educational mission to Haiti in collaboration with the College of Medicine.

Our students, faculty and staff continue to lead in service to the local community and the nation. During the National Pharmaceutical Association 2013 Annual Meeting, the Howard University College of Pharmacy SNPhA Team was awarded the $10,000 grand prize for the Walmart Rx for Service Project. Students also founded a chapter of the Drug Information Association (DIA) in the Spring, 2013 semester. The group was greatly supported by Mrs. Minnie Baylor Henry, alumna, member of the Board of Visitors, and incoming President of the DIA Board of Directors. Further, members of Kappa Epsilon and Kappa Psi Pharmacy fraternities hosted the Annual Heart2Heart Ball raising funds for the American Heart Association. Finally, this year, scholarships exceeding $750,000 were provided to deserving students through the generous support of our alumni, friends and institutional corporate sponsors. We look forward to your continued support. Thank you again, and God bless!

Anthony K. Wutoh, Ph.D, R.Ph.
Dean & Professor
Mission & Goals

Consistent with the mission of Howard University, the mission of the College of Pharmacy is to provide pharmaceutical education of excellent quality to students with high academic, scholarship and leadership potential, with particular emphasis upon the recruitment, retention and graduation of promising African-American and other ethnically diverse minority students. The primary goals of the College of Pharmacy are:

- To recruit, train and educate qualified African-American and other ethnically diverse minority students to assume leadership roles in pharmacy.
- To produce skilled pharmaceutical care practitioners, proficient pharmaceutical scientists and competent educators to meet the challenges of the profession and society.
- To recruit and retain a cadre of faculty dedicated to teach and mentor students, conduct research and pursue other scholarly activities that contribute to the growth and development of basic and clinical pharmaceutical sciences.
- To provide postgraduate and continuing professional education and community services that will enhance the quality of pharmaceutical care.
Pharm.D. Program
274 Total enrollment
68 Graduates (2013)
95 Entering class (Class of 2017)

Ph.D. Program
11 Total enrollment
3 Graduates (2013)
7 Entering class

Academic Training
3 Postdoctoral fellows
3 Graduate fellows

Grants and Contract Funding
• $5,000,000+ Total Externally funded (2012-2013)
• Domestic and international projects currently funded by NIH, CDC, USAID, PEPFAR, TNI Biotech.

Scholarships
(Pharm.D.)
> $750,000.00 Total Dollars Awarded
180 Total number of scholarship awards

(Ph.D. – Chauncey Cooper Scholarships)
$40,000 Total Dollars Awarded
3 Total number of scholarship awards

Faculty
27 Full Time
2 Part Time
200 Preceptor Faculty

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Maritsa Serlemitsos Day, Pharm.D.
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Staff
18

• International Projects currently in progress in; Ethiopia, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Sudan, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda.
• 27 Publications, 66 Papers Presented, 4 published books/chapters, 4 Patents Pending
College of Pharmacy - Doctor of Pharmacy Program fully reaccredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)

The Doctor of Pharmacy program at Howard University College of Pharmacy has been fully re-accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) following completion of a detailed self-study report and a comprehensive on-site visit.

The report from ACPE notes “This accreditation action was taken in recognition of the progress made since the last accreditation review and with confidence that existing Howard University College of Pharmacy programmatic needs will continue to be addressed in a timely manner and to the satisfaction of the ACPE Board of Directors.”

“The faculty, staff and students of the College of Pharmacy are proud of the reaccreditation, and acknowledge that it signifies the high quality of the pharmacy program, the advances made in our curriculum and program over the past several years, and the commitment of faculty, students, and staff to an environment of excellence in teaching, learning and research,” said Anthony K. Wutoh, Ph.D., R.Ph., professor and dean. “

The reaccreditation process involved over two years of planning, meetings with alumni, faculty, students, and preceptors, and provided a unique forum that allowed the Howard University community to examine the strengths of our program, areas in need of improvement, and the future of pharmacy education. We are pleased that ACPE agrees with our assessment that the program is strong, and provides an excellent educational opportunity for our students.”

A focused ACPE visit is planned in 2014-15 to assess the progress of several new initiatives being implemented by the College of Pharmacy.

“Being the only pharmacy school in Washington, D.C. there are limitless opportunities for professional growth. Meeting with Legislators on Capital Hill to advocate for Healthcare Provider Status for Pharmacists has been a priceless experience. At Howard University we not only train to be the best pharmacists in the world, we promote the right policy changes to improve and save patients lives.”

Brittany G. Mani (P2)
Howard University College of Pharmacy alumna, Minnie Baylor-Henry, JD, RPh, (’72) was elected to serve as the president of the Drug Information Association (DIA) and chair of its Board of Directors during the Association’s 49th Annual Meeting in Boston, June 23-27. Baylor-Henry’s year-long tenure began June 30. DIA is a global, professional association of nearly 18,000 members involved in the discovery, development, and life cycle management of pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, medical devices, and related healthcare products.

“The College of Pharmacy and entire University community applauded Dr. Baylor-Henry on her election,” said Anthony K. Wutoh, Ph.D., R.Ph, dean of the College of Pharmacy. “She is truly a daughter of Howard and the College of Pharmacy. Her extensive clinical, regulatory, and life sciences knowledge will undoubtedly be beneficial to DIA and, indeed, to the profession of pharmacy.” After earning her Bachelors of Science in Pharmacy from the College, Baylor-Henry earned a Juris Doctorate from Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of America. She previously served as the director of the Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising and Communications for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. She currently serves as worldwide vice president of Regulatory Affairs for Johnson & Johnson’s Medical Devices and Diagnostics company. She has also served in similar roles in Johnson & Johnson’s Pharmaceutical and Consumer companies.

“I look forward to continuing to work with Dr. Baylor-Henry in her new capacity as president,” said Carlos E. Fulcher, MBA, DIA’s worldwide deputy executive director. “With her strategic, innovative and disciplined approach to management and her commitment to the field, I know that DIA will continue to grow and move forward.”

Baylor-Henry credits Howard University College of Pharmacy for providing the education and mentorship that resulted in the advancement of her career. As a member of the College’s Board of Visitors, she provides advice, guidance and support to the College’s administrators and students.

“Howard means so much to me and continues to be instrumental in my career,” said Baylor-Henry. “I will do everything I can to support the College.”

The Administrators, Pharm.D students and Baylor-Henry recently worked collaboratively to establish a chapter of DIA at the College. The chapter has hosted numerous events that have provided professional development and curriculum enhancement opportunities for students. Clarice E. Carthon, a fourth year (P4) candidate for the Pharm.D was recently selected as the Student Member on the DIA North American Advisory Council.

College of Pharmacy Alumna Elected President of the Drug Information Association’s Board of Directors

Tradition/Community Service
“Howard’s motto, Veritas et Utilitas, or Truth and Service, has stuck with me since my first day in undergrad. Not only does it require me to be my best, it requires me to SERVE my best! HUCOP’s faculty and organizations push me to rise higher, do my very best, and relentlessly serve my community. Not only from a pharmacy perspective, but more so a humanitarian perspective by presenting a diverse scale of opportunities.”

Ashley Washington (P2)
College of Pharmacy Partners with TNI BioTech to Develop New Drugs for Africa

Howard University College of Pharmacy has signed a multi-year agreement with TNI BioTech Inc., a Bethesda, Md., biotech firm that develops immunotherapy drugs to treat patients with chronic diseases. The College of Pharmacy will assist in TNI BioTech’s efforts to provide affordable health care and the development of pharmaceutical skills in Africa. The College of Pharmacy currently has pharmacy projects in a number of African countries, including Nigeria, South Africa, Zambia, Kenya, Ethiopia, Tanzania and Rwanda.

The college will support the development of new and commercial delivery forms of low-dose Naltrexone, a drug used to help people who have stopped drinking alcohol and using opiates like heroin to continue to avoid drinking or using drugs. TNI BioTech, Inc., believes that a low-dose version of Naltrexone could be effective in treating HIV/AIDS, cancer, multiple sclerosis, Crohn’s Disease and other autoimmune diseases. The college will also develop commercial forms of Met-Enkephalin (MENK), a drug that enhances the immune system. TNI BioTech believes that combining MENK with a low dose of Naltrexone could further help in treating the various diseases. The college will also assist in clinical trials for the drugs in multiple African nations.

Joseph Fortunak, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Sciences in the Howard University Department of Chemistry and the College of Pharmacy, will be the lead on the project. College of Pharmacy Dean and Professor Anthony Wutoh, Ph.D., R.Ph, said he looks forward to the new relationship and working with TNI BioTech. “We are very excited about the opportunity to collaborate with TNI BioTech to develop medications that may be effective in the treatment of HIV/AIDS, cancer and other disorders,” Wutoh said. “We look forward to partnering further to provide our expertise in drug manufacturing, conduct of clinical trials and regulatory training for pharmaceutical development.

“We are especially pleased to provide support to assist nations in Africa and underscore our ongoing commitment to the development of people in Africa and throughout the African Diaspora.”

TNI BioTech will also assist Howard University College of Pharmacy in locating funding for the upgrade and further development of its Center for Drug Research. The drug research center once completed and qualified as a Current Good Manufacturing Practice facility, will provide manufacturing to TNI BioTech, Inc., and other companies looking to manufacture products in the United States for distribution both domestically and abroad. The center will provide additional revenue streams to the College of Pharmacy, allowing expansion of its operations to students around the world. Nor- een Griffin, CEO of TNI BioTech, Inc., said the company is pleased to enter into this agreement with Howard University.

“Few universities have the experience and commitment to Africa provided by Howard,” Griffin said. “It is this very experience and the expertise of its professors that will allow TNI BioTech to implement both our business and healthcare commitment to Africa. “Howard’s healthcare projects in Africa allow it to help us develop new protocols, obtain regulatory approvals and oversee our clinical trials. We believe this agreement with Howard University enriches our university relationship and creates a new model for important industry-academic drug development and cooperation on an international scale. “The partnership also aligns with Howard University College of Pharmacy’s goals in shaping the future of pharmacy science and working collaboratively.”
I completed my third APPE rotation at the AACP (American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy) headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia. I learned a lot of what goes into the review process for the Medco Scholars award applications. I was also able to sit in on a meeting with the AACP Senior Staff Members. This allowed me exposure and insight to some of the AACP directives and association management as a whole.

One of the central tenets of reflective learning is that it connects ideas and experience. This is an often understated point that sometimes is difficult to grasp in pharmacy school. As students, we are tasked with memorizing so many facts and ideas that we often forget to “connect the dots.” Reflective Learning allows this crucial step to take place so that we can apply the information we’ve memorized to action—whatever our area of practice may be.

Brandon Dyson, Pharm.D. (Class of 2013)
Pharmacy Students Begin International Experiential Rotations in Africa

Five Howard University College of Pharmacy students participated in experiential rotations in June and July, 2013 at Ethiopia’s renowned Addis Ababa University, at Livingstone General Hospital in Zambia and at Howard University’s regional office in Pretoria, South Africa.

Fourth-year students Chioma Esoga, Danielle DelVillano, Dejene Woldermariam and Octavia Jordan, and third-year student Hope Chang worked on public health promotion and disease prevention, as well as conduct practice management research and observed patient care.

The students in Ethiopia were accompanied by Anthony K. Wutoh, Ph.D., R.Ph., Dean of the College of Pharmacy, who taught Biostatistics and Pharmacoepidemiology, and provided technical assistance to faculty and researchers at Addis Ababa University. “This was a remarkable opportunity for our students, the College of Pharmacy and our partners in Ethiopia, Zambia and South Africa,” Wutoh said.

Grace Jennings, Ph.D., program manager and project coordinator for the college’s Pharmacy and Continuing Education Program, is coordinating the international experiential pharmacy rotations. The rotations allowed Howard’s pharmacy students to work directly with faculty, students and researchers in Ethiopia, Zambia and South Africa.

During the rotations, students focused on assisting clinical practitioners in optimizing available drug therapy for improved population-specific disease prevention and disease management. An emphasis was placed on health literacy in order to encourage healthy lifestyles and to improve patients’ adherence to their medication. Students also experienced the practice of pharmacy in global settings and learned ways to strengthen pharmacy systems locally and internationally.

“The importance of experiential learning, particularly in a global setting, cannot be overstated,” Wutoh said. “This program will enrich the educational experience of our students, strengthen their commitment to the profession of pharmacy, and help to address global health concerns.”

The College of Pharmacy has a long history of international health care. It has emerged particularly as a leader in the clinical pharmacology of HIV/AIDS in Africa.

The International Clinical Rotation Program is an extension of the college’s commitment to global health. It currently operates programs in seven countries, including South Africa, Nigeria, Zambia, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Ethiopia, and it recently signed memorandums of understanding with prestigious universities in Ghana and India.

“I am proud to be a student at a university that encourages student involvement internationally. Practicing pharmacy in both Zambia and South Africa provided a unique perspective that I would not have been able to experience here in the United States. I was challenged to communicate with persons of different cultural backgrounds and to utilize alternative methods of delivering pharmacy services. The skillsets that I developed through this experience are invaluable.”

“Octavia Jordan (P4)
Eleven leaders in the fields of pharmacy, education, health care and research are the inaugural members of the College of Pharmacy’s Board of Visitors. The members were appointed to the board after a comprehensive national search and with advice from alumni and industry leaders. Howard University’s Board of Trustees approved their appointments. The Board of Visitors will advise the Pharmacy dean, faculty and staff on various educational, fiscal, development and fundraising initiatives.

Anthony K. Wutoh, Ph.D, R.Ph, dean of the college, said the faculty and staff are extremely honored that such a distinguished and diverse group of individuals would accept the College’s invitation to serve on its Board of Visitors. “I look forward to their insights regarding ways to continue strengthening our academic programs and acquiring resources for scholarships, construction of a new pharmacy building and other key goals,” Wutoh said. “This is another great step towards our vision to becoming one of the preeminent pharmacy programs in the country.”

The board will meet twice a year. Individual members, however, will play ongoing leadership roles by spearheading special initiatives. The members of the board will interact with students and faculty through lectures and professional development exercises. “The wealth of experience and the enthusiastic support that each member of the board has for the College of Pharmacy will undoubtedly prove to be a great asset to the college and to Howard University in general,” said Canute Knott-Malcolm, the director of Development for the college. The administrators, faculty, staff and students welcome the members of the board and look forward to working with them to fulfill the mission and vision of the College of Pharmacy.

Following is an alphabetical listing of the members of the board members.


“Howard University College of Pharmacy has provided me with unique opportunities that enhance my learning experience. One of these opportunities was a rotation with the Indian Health Service. It was one of the best rotations I had the pleasure of participating in as a P4 student.

Roseline N. Boateng (P4)
Howard University Provost and Chief Academic Officer
Dr. Wayne A. I. Frederick and Dean of the College of Pharmacy
Anthony Wutoh, Ph.D. Returned from Africa

Howard University Provost and Chief Academic Officer Dr. Wayne A. I. Frederick and Dean of the College of Pharmacy Anthony Wutoh, Ph.D., recently returned from Africa, where they visited Howard University health care projects underway in Nigeria, Zambia, Malawi and South Africa and met with South African President Jacob Zuma.

During their 10-day review of the university’s USAID-funded projects, Frederick and Wutoh met with high-ranking government officials from the various countries, project sponsors and alumni to reaffirm the University’s commitment to Africa and the African Diaspora. They also discussed opportunities for student and faculty exchanges and explored ways the university can help to address shortages in health care workers and other development challenges facing the nations. The countries have a severe shortage of health care professionals, including doctors, pharmacists and nurses, Wutoh said.

“Malawi, for example, has 15 million people, and until three years ago there were only four registered pharmacists for the whole country,” Wutoh said. “They also have a severe shortage of registered nurses. So that’s one of the things we’re going to see if Howard can help them with.” In Nigeria, the two visited sites where Howard is training pharmacists, nurses and other health care clinicians in HIV/AIDS treatment and prevention. In Livingston, Zambia, the university is fostering a public-private partnership between Livingston General Hospital and several local private pharmacies to tackle HIV/AIDS.

In Malawi, the university is increasing the nation’s medical laboratory capacity by training students to set up laboratories, purchase equipment and supplies, have laboratory tests delivered to various parts of the country and helping to construct laboratories. Carol Porter, Ph.D., an assistant professor in the College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences, is director of the project, which is funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

In South Africa, Howard is helping the government identify patients who are HIV infected but have been lost to the medical system for follow up care. South Africa is an especially important site Howard, because it serves as the regional office for university health care projects in Kenya, Tanzania and Rwanda, Wutoh said.

The trip was part of the university’s continued commitment to aiding African nations. “Howard University has a long history of collaboration and partnership with Africa, particularly South Africa and Nigeria,” Wutoh said. “We look forward to strengthening our relationships with the people of Africa and providing increased opportunities for educational advancement, societal improvements, and capacity building.”

“The student organizations of the College of Pharmacy are dedicated to making a difference in the community, from organizing health fairs to raising funds for charity. Being involved helps to reinforce the notion that Howard is a part of the community and the community is a part of Howard.”

Adaku Ofoegbu (P2)
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“The genuine support of faculty and professors in a didactic setting has allowed me to become confident in translating knowledge in a practical environment. The immense opportunities presented at Howard University allow each student to showcase his or her abilities. Interest in any facet of pharmacy is encouraged and allows students to become passionate about their goals.”

Sogol Shamlou (P2)
Howard College of Pharmacy
Quote: Howard provides the unique opportunity to explore the many realms of pharmacy and its integration in the dynamic healthcare of our country today. The University’s robust culture and prime location in the nation’s capital encourages students such as myself to engage in health policy as well as groundbreaking research which can certainly shape the future of our health system.

Brian Sackey (P3)

"Howard Pharmacy students come from all walks of life and thus the school truly embodies the word diversity. Learning about other cultures and interacting with different people will make me a better pharmacist."

Brian Chang (P3)
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Anthony K. Wutoh, Ph.D., R.Ph., Dean & Professor