Preceptor Spotlight

Terri Davis, R.Ph., clinical pharmacist and a new hospital board member at Davis Medical Center in Elkins WV, has been a preceptor for the WVU School of Pharmacy for 17 years. She is a graduate of West Virginia University School of Pharmacy and was raised in Philippi, West Virginia. She precepts second professional year students in their IPPE Institutional Capstone rotations. This IPPE rotation offers many students their first glimpse at the role of the pharmacist in a hospital. She also precepts fourth professional year pharmacy students in their APPE Institutional rotations. Terri focuses on anticoagulation services and antibiotic stewardship with her fourth year students. Students are given the opportunity to counsel all patients receiving warfarin, and Terri teaches them to watch for drug interactions. For antibiotic stewardship, she teaches her students to look for drug-bug mismatches and the de-escalation of antibiotics. She works to remind students to look for the BEST antibiotic for the patient, not just one that will work. Terri enjoys having students in her practice because the students are eager to learn, and she has the opportunity to learn things from them too. The best advice Terri gives her students is that they can make their practice whatever they want it to be. “If they don’t feel challenged, they can fix that. They should identify a patient need, and then find a solution, find a way to prioritize the patients and talk with supervisors to engage their help.”

Site Spotlight

LCDR Kevan Lee, PharmD, is a staff pharmacist at the Federal Correctional Complex, Hazelton, located in Bruceton Mills, West Virginia. Hazelton is considered a complex, because it is comprised of four federal institutions: the United States Penitentiary, which is a maximum security men’s facility, the Secure Female Facility which houses female inmates of all security levels, the recently activated medium security institution, and the Federal Prison Camp which is a minimum security facility. Hazelton has been taking West Virginia University students since 2009, when LCDR Lee was a fourth year pharmacy student at West Virginia University.

A lot has changed since the program first started in 2009. It has grown to develop more organizational structure. The opportunities available to student pharmacists include: participation in quarterly Pharmacy and Therapeutics meetings, working with staff physicians and mid-level providers to offer medication recommendations and answer drug information questions, verifying the appropriateness of medication orders (including formulary and guideline compliance), gaining familiarity on common ambulatory care disease states and their treatments, and helping to run Hazelton’s anticoagulation clinic.

Working at Hazelton offers a very unique experience. “It’s like a combination of working at an ambulatory care clinic and an inpatient hospital pharmacy” Kevan explains. Pharmacists have access to the patient’s complete electronic medical record, which is very helpful for ensuring prescription accuracy. Students who attend this rotation really enjoy it for the clinical involvement and the ability to experience prison pharmacy culture. The newly installed anticoagulation clinic is just the beginning as it pertains to clinical pharmacy. With a clinical practice agreement already in place for a diabetes clinic, LCDR Lee is working diligently to have this clinic operational in the near future. “This rotation is definitely a great opportunity for students to sharpen their skills and I look forward to continuing to work with WVU pharmacy students in the future”.

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### Fall CE Opportunity

On October 3rd the Office of Experiential Learning will present our annual fall continuing education event. This year the presentation will be Recognizing At-Risk Students. The event will be held at the WVU Health Sciences Center from 2-3:30pm. This will be Homecoming weekend, and we invite all alumni to continue on to the School of Pharmacy Alumni event being held at 5:30 at the Erickson Alumni Center. Additional information about the CE event will be sent to all preceptors in the coming weeks or by contacting Carol Shaub at cbrou1@hsc.wvu.edu. Information about the Alumni event can be found at the alumni website www.pharmacy.hsc.wvu.edu/alumni or by contacting Dr. Betsy Elswick at belswick@hsc.wvu.edu.

### APPE Student Spotlight

#### 2014 AACP Wal-Mart Scholars

P4 students Logan Davis and Galen Kabulski were selected as 2014 Wal-Mart Scholars through the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP). The scholarship program, funded by Wal-Mart, provides $1,000 scholarships to 85 student-faculty pairs from AACP member institutions to attend the AACP Annual Meeting and Teachers Seminar. Logan and Galen and their faculty advisors attended the annual meeting in Grapevine Texas in July. Dr. Lena Maynor served as Logan’s faculty mentor and Dr. Ashlee Millman was Galen’s faculty mentor. Following graduation, Galen plans to pursue a residency position at a large academic hospital for both PGY-1 and PGY-2 training, preferably as part of a pharmacotherapy residency. Following along the lines of what he learned from the AACP Annual Meeting and the WVU School of Pharmacy faculty, he plans to seek a joint position that affords him the opportunity to work in a clinical setting along with teaching responsibilities. Upon graduation, Logan plans to pursue a residency after graduation to specialize in either internal medicine or critical care. He also hopes to obtain a clinical position with a joint faculty appointment at a school of pharmacy, so that he can have both clinical and teaching responsibilities.

### APPE Important Dates to Note

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2015-2016 APPE Availability: Requests for APPE availability were released on August 18. Please submit your availability by September 15, 2014. As you may know, the School of Pharmacy is undergoing a curricular revision. The revised curriculum for the P4 year will go into effect in Summer/Fall 2015. As part of that, we are changing the rotation blocks to nine (5-week) rotation blocks. Students will complete eight of the nine available blocks. Please feel free to contact the Office of Experiential Learning if you have any questions about the new scheduling process.

New Grading Scale for APPE: Just as a reminder, the grading scale for APPE rotations has transitioned to a scale of High Pass, Pass, and Fail.
High Pass = Scores of 4 or 5 on all competencies scored and an average competency score of 4.5
Pass = An average competency score of at least 3 and no more than one competency score of less than 3 for all competencies scored
Fail = An average competency score of less than 3 or more than one competency score of less than 3 for all competencies scored

This new scale replaces the former system of Honors, Pass, Fail. Grades are assigned based upon evaluation scores received, and there is no longer a need for preceptors to submit a letter requesting an Honors grade.

Attendance and Inclement Weather Policy for APPE Rotations: Below is a summary of the attendance and inclement weather policy for APPE rotations. For the full policy, please see the APPE General Syllabus posted to: www.pharmacy.hsc.wvu.edu/explearning

Attendance: Students are permitted to have five excused day-long absences that will not need to be made up unless otherwise required by the preceptor over the course of the entire 8 block APPE year. These excused absence days are to be used for illness, emergency situations, residency interviews, and job interviews. The excused absences are not vacation/personal days. Students may not accumulate more than three excused absences during any one rotation unless approved by the Director of APPE.

Students are excused from the rotation site and are not required to make up the time if they notify the preceptor when they check in for the rotation of their participation in the following SoP programs: Career Fair, Career Day and reception, Residency Fair, P4 Day, and other special events designated by the SoP. Days absent to attend these School-sponsored events are not to be included in the five excused absence days.

Inclement Weather: If a student’s site is closed, an inclement weather day is not counted as an absence. If a student’s site is open, the student is expected to come to the site. However, students should use their own judgment in determining whether or not they are able to travel in adverse weather conditions. The student MUST call the preceptor if they are going to be late or are unable to attend. If the site is open, the student’s absence will be counted as one of their five excused absences or the time may be made-up.

If the student’s site is open AND the student’s preceptor instructs the student not to come in, this is not counted as an absence. However, the student is expected to complete any additional projects the preceptor may assign as a result of the absence.

If the site is closed (or the student is instructed not to come in) for > 3 days during a rotation; all days over the 3 days must be made up.
News from the Director of IPPE

\textit{Gina Baugh, Pharm.D.}

IPPE Update

As we are embarking on a curriculum revision for the WVU School of Pharmacy, there will be some important IPPE changes being implemented. Beginning with the 2014-15 academic year, the first professional year students will be completing a four week (160 hour) community rotation in May 2015. The students will no longer be required to spend 25 hours at their assigned community site during the fall and spring semester as they had done in previous years. This change was based on feedback that we received from preceptors and students. The longer rotation will allow students to participate more fully as a member of the pharmacy team, establish relationships with the site personnel, and gain a better understanding of community pharmacy practice.

Students will continue to complete the didactic portion of the IPPE curriculum this academic year with a focus on community pharmacy. Topics to be covered include an introduction to top prescription drugs, pharmacy laws and regulations, adverse drug reactions, medication errors, OTCs, and third party payors. Students will also be required to complete a 4 hour shadowing visit at a community pharmacy during the fall semester. This will give them a sneak peak of what to expect during their 4 week rotation and help them along their career exploration pathway.

If you would like additional information about this curriculum update, please contact Gina Baugh at gbaugh@hsc.wvu.edu.

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Alzheimer’s Association & \textbf{IPPE Community Rotations for 1st Year Students} May 11- June 5, 2014 \\
American Liver Foundation & \textbf{IPPE Hospital Rotations for 2nd Year Students} May 11-22, 2015 \\
Girls on the Run & May 5- June 5, 2015 \\
Caritas House & June 8-19, 2015 \\
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Neuroscience behind Drugs of Abuse & \\
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