

# Maryland Mentor

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE MARYLAND ACADEMY OF PRECEPTORS

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## From the Assistant Dean for Experiential Learning

Dear preceptors,

I am very pleased to present the Winter 2014 edition of the Maryland Mentor newsletter. Despite the cold weather, our office is abuzz as we prepare for the upcoming rotation selections for the 2014-2015 academic year. As you conclude the academic year, I ask you to begin to consider what new teaching tools or activities you plan to incorporate for the new academic year.

Based on recent feedback, the Experiential Learning Committee is working on revising preceptor evaluations of students for all courses. We will inform you as we make progress throughout the year. As always, keep the feedback coming!

Mark your calendar for our Annual Academy of Preceptor continuing education event on Wednesday, April 16, 2014. The theme for this year is "Motivating and Teaching across Generations." Please watch your email inbox for an official announcement.

Our students are very appreciative of the time you take to teach, to show them what you do, to provide feedback, and to motivate them to be excellent practitioners. Thank you again for all you do for the School and our students. Please let me know if we can address any questions you may have.

Wishing you a productive, warm, and Happy New Year!

Toyin Tofade, MS, PharmD, BCPS, CPCC  
Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice and Science  
Assistant Dean for Experiential Learning



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## New Members of the Maryland Academy of Preceptors

We welcome these preceptors who were recently appointed by Dean Eddington to the Maryland Academy of Preceptors.

- Morgan Adams, PharmD
- Prisca Anamelechi, PharmD
- Evelyn Awah, PharmD
- Hilary Beichner, PharmD
- Karen Bernardi, PharmD
- Martian Bishop, PharmD
- Faithe Braznell, PharmD
- Ashley Conrad, PharmD
- Tessa Forbeck, PharmD
- Mathew Gillespie, PharmD
- Patrick Grove, PharmD
- Melanie Hare, PharmD
- Nicole Harriott, PharmD
- Adrian Hui, PharmD
- Andrew Jarrell, PharmD
- Kirk Jones, PharmD
- Dale Klemm, PharmD
- Lubna Kousa, PharmD

## Updates

### Grade Submission Request

As the academic year comes to an end, please remember to submit all grades in a timely fashion to facilitate the certification process for our upcoming graduates.

### Preceptor News

We are pleased to celebrate the retirement of **Doris Voigt, PharmD**, from her position as pharmacy academic affairs coordinator at Kaiser Permanente. Doris has contributed a great deal to the School and the profession. Her collaborative spirit will be missed!

Do you have preceptor news, laurels, honors, or awards you would like to share? Please send them to [ttofade@rx.umaryland.edu](mailto:ttofade@rx.umaryland.edu) for inclusion in a future issue of the *Maryland Mentor*.

- Ashleigh Lowery, PharmD
- Sali Mahmoud, PharmD
- Stacey Min, PharmD
- Wanka Ndifor, PharmD
- Annelise Nelson, PharmD
- Jennifer Nguyen, PharmD
- Babajide Oguntimein, PharmD
- Aram Paraghiana, PharmD
- Wallace Pickworth, PharmD
- Jonathan-Richard Puhl, PharmD
- Bharath Ravichandran, PharmD
- Ndibulum Richardson, PharmD
- Ahdieh Roughani, PharmD
- Ryan Sentz, PharmD
- Mary Ellen Shoemaker, PharmD
- Jessica Sowinski, PharmD
- Tracy Sparkes, PharmD
- Sarah Strychalski, PharmD
- Deanna Tran, PharmD
- Anthonia Umeh, PharmD
- Sejal Upadhyaya, PharmD
- Cynthia Welch, PharmD
- Timonthy Westrom, PharmD

### What Students Like

We compiled feedback from students' evaluations of preceptors and these are some of the highlights. Thank you for all you do in service of the profession!

- Preceptors who take the time to show them what a pharmacist does in practice
- Preceptors who conduct a thorough orientation for their site
- Discussion of the learning contract or expectations on the rotations, activities, assignments, projects, rubrics for grading and evaluation
- Preceptors who conduct a face-to-face midpoint and final evaluation
- Preceptors who provide feedback on progress throughout the rotation (what is going well and what can be improved upon)
- Preceptors who submit evaluations by the deadlines
- Preceptors who respond to emails or phone calls within 48-72 hours

### PharmD Candidates Interview Opportunity!

The School of Pharmacy values our experiential faculty and would like to invite you to participate in our PharmD admissions interview process. As part of the interview process, candidates are grouped together to work on a project. Preceptors will evaluate the group project at the School of Pharmacy. There is a brief (eight minute) mandatory training to review prior to participating in the group project interview.

The interview dates are below. There will be morning sessions (8:45 a.m. – noon) and afternoon sessions (12:45 – 4 p.m.).

Fri., 2/7  
Mon., 2/17  
Fri., 2/28

Mon., 3/10  
Fri., 3/14

If you are interested in participating, please email the dates and session time you are available (morning or afternoon) to [jbrammer@rx.umaryland.edu](mailto:jbrammer@rx.umaryland.edu). Once you indicate your interest, the group project training will be forwarded for your review prior to the interview date.

## New ELP Staff



**Mark Brueckl, RPh, MBA,** has joined the ELP team as assistant director.

Mark is a native of Buffalo, NY and received his BS in Pharmaceutical Sciences from the College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Columbia University, and his MBA from SUNY at Buffalo. He served most recently as assistant director of pharmacy affairs for the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy. He has also held the positions of assistant director of pharmacy for independent health, and pharmacy consultant for the New York State Health Department. He has more than 35 years of experience in retail, government, managed care, and pharmacy association environments.

Mark has precepted students and worked with managed care residents. He will be focusing on site visits and building our ambulatory care and community rotation sites. He will also course manage the IPPE 101/103 and 305/307 courses.

Thank you for making him feel welcome as he approaches you for potential site visits.

## Scheduling Requests

We are in need of **IPPE 307 Quality and Safety in Health Systems** availability for Summer 2014 through Winter 2015. Please email [nthomas@rx.umaryland.edu](mailto:nthomas@rx.umaryland.edu) to let us know if you are available for any of the following blocks, the number of students you can take, and the site where you precept.

IPPE 307 Quality and Safety in Health Systems
5/26/14 - 6/13/14
6/16/14 - 7/04/14
7/7/14 - 7/25/14
7/28/14 - 8/15/14
12/15/14- 01/09/15 (includes 1 week buffer for holidays)

We have a new course **APPC 418 Transitions /Continuity of Care** available for Summer 2014 through Spring 2015 rotation year. Please email [nthomas@rx.umaryland.edu](mailto:nthomas@rx.umaryland.edu) to let us know if you are available for any of the following blocks, the number of students you can take, and the site where you precept.

APPC 418 Transitions /Continuity of Care
5/09/14 - 6/20/14
6/23/14 - 7/25/14
7/28/14 - 8/29/14
9/1/14 - 10/3/14
10/6/14 - 11/7/14
11/10/14 - 12/12/14
1/12/15 - 2/13/15
2/16/15 - 3/20/15
3/23/15 - 4/24/15

## Was It Something I Said? A Workshop on Providing Feedback to Student Pharmacists

February 19<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup>

### **FREE** Preceptor Development **Continuing Education** Activity for **APPE 453 Preceptors**

The objective structured teaching exercise (OSTE) is an innovative method for preceptor development characterized by realistic preceptor-student encounters using standardized students. As a result, pharmacy preceptors will have the opportunity to practice and observe their own clinical teaching skills while receiving feedback in a low-threat environment.

**Space for this CE event is limited! Register** before Feb. 12, 2014 at: <http://bit.ly/1jX3Kvc>

## Annual Academy of Preceptors

Mark your calendar for the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy's Annual Academy of Preceptors Dinner and CE Program on **Wednesday, April 16, 2014**, in Pharmacy Hall, 20 N. Pine Street, Baltimore. The Academy of Preceptors is an annual live seminar and dinner for all School of Pharmacy preceptors.

This year's program will cover the following key topics:

- ACPE and Student Expectations: An update on the requirements of experiential education and experiences
- Teaching across Generations: Understanding the needs and expectations of your learners
- Identify and discuss the major social events and characteristics that define each of the following generations: Silent Generation, Baby Boomers, Gen X, Millennials, and the Lost Generation
- How to handle a student who has not met the preceptor's expectations

More information regarding registration and program details will be sent in February. If you have any questions, please contact our office at [elp@rx.umaryland.edu](mailto:elp@rx.umaryland.edu).