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AHA Committee Appointments

Professor Robert Page, PharmD, was appointed by the president of AHA (American Heart Association) to the AHA Scientific Sessions Planning committee, as well as the AHA Get with the Guidelines Steering Committee and Get with the Guidelines Committee on Atrial Fibrillation. Dr. Page is the only pharmacist nation-wide appointed to these committees to represent the profession.

Scholarships for Students in Global Health

The Center for Global Health has a number of scholarship opportunities available for pharmacy students. Since 1997, Robinson Durst Scholarships have provided more than 50 health sciences graduate students from the University of Colorado Denver an opportunity to enjoy a culturally diverse clinical or research experience. Rotary Scholarships are available to all graduate students in the health professions and awarded to individuals with matching values of those in the Rotary Club. The Calvin L. Wilson Scholarship for Future Leaders in Global Health is also open to all health sciences students here on the Anschutz Medical Campus and allows students from the University of Colorado to have an opportunity to engage in a culturally diverse clinical and/or research experience during their graduate training. The deadline for these scholarships is Mar. 23, 2015 so get your applications in now! You can apply and learn more about opportunities in global health here.

Pharmacy Perspectives Winter Edition

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Art Exhibit

The new Art from CU Denver | Anschutz Medical Campus exhibit will be on display January 7 – March 31, 2015 on the 3rd floor of the Health Sciences Library. This exhibit is curated by the Exhibits Committee of the Health Sciences Library and includes art created by faculty, staff and students from both the Denver Campus and the Anschutz Medical Campus. Opening Reception is Jan. 29, 2015 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm.

In the News

All Things Considered on NPR interviewed Dr. Boris Taba-koff on avoiding hangovers and safe alcohol consumption. To listen to the full interview, click here.

Pharmacist for a Day

200 area fourth-graders got a dose of pharmacy school at the annual Pharmacist for a Day program. Hosted by second and third-year pharmacy students, the 4th graders learned about the importance of accurate measurements, labeling, making meds through compounding and that being a pharmacist isn't just about counting pills. Their experience ended with a white coat ceremony and the 4th graders receiving honorary certificates.

Additions to ADA Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes

Research generated from R. Brett McQueen’s (PhD) dissertation project was incorporated into the American Diabetes Association’s (ADA) new clinical guideline for the treatment and management of diabetes using Continuous Glucose Monitoring (GCM) devices. Dr. McQueen’s article titled "Frequency of Continuous Glucose Monitoring Use and Change in Hemoglobin A1C for Adults with Type 1 Diabetes in a Clinical Practice Setting” was one of three references that altered this guideline recommendation. This new guideline (not present in 2014 guidelines) on the use of CGM for the management of type 1 diabetes patients recommends: “Due to variable adherence, optimal CGM use requires an assessment of individual readiness for the technology as well as initial and ongoing education and support.” Dr. McQueen is a PhRMA Foundation Post Doctoral Fellow in Health Outcomes at the Skaggs School of Pharmacy.

In Memoriam

Alumnus J. Ellsworth “Oz” Osborne passed away on Wednesday, December 31, 2014 at the age of 90. Ellsworth graduated from our school in 1955, following a tour of duty to the US Army in the Philippines from 1943 to 1946. Upon graduation, Ellsworth and his family moved to Bakersfield, CA where he worked at Vest’s Drug Store until 1959. He later purchased Greenfield Pharmacy in 1959 and operated the pharmacy until 1988.