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Reflection and New Beginnings



The past year has been a period of profound inspiration and innovation for the AMCP Foundation. Our successes range from digital initiatives to new managed care educational resources to support cutting-edge research. Our legacy programs continue to offer “best-in-class” opportunities that empower future leaders to enhance their leadership skills and their understanding of managed care concepts.

We are proud of our achievements and impact, which have been extended through strategic partnerships and collaborations. On behalf of our Board of Trustees, it is my pleasure to summarize some of our accomplishments, which took form in a few ways:

Managed Care Resources

- Released new web-based tools for patients & providers in collaboration with Prime Education LLC: Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) and Biosimilar Care.
- Introduced the new Managed Care Primer Series in collaboration with AMCP, JMCP, and a small cohort of talented authors and thought leaders in the managed care sector, honoring the legacy of Judith A. Cahill.

Access to Care

- Awarded research grants addressing medication use and access disparities to Nova Southeastern University and the University of Mississippi.

Empower the Future of Managed Care Pharmacy

- Granted student pharmacists with travel awards to attend AMCP Annual & Nexus 2023 through our Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Travel Award Fund.
- Awarded academic scholarships to student pharmacists through the Cathy A. Carroll Memorial Fund.
- Celebrated three decades of launching managed care careers through innovative internships and welcomed several new partners:
 - Launched a themed internship in Specialty Care with Sanofi.
 - Collaborated on a research internship with Moda Health and Novo Nordisk to address health equity.

Support Relevant Research

- Launched a comprehensive collection of Best Poster Virtual Presentations showcasing award-winning research from our popular competition.

The new year means a fresh start for the Foundation as we work to introduce and re-introduce initiatives that will impact current practitioners in managed care pharmacy, future leaders, and partnerships with payors, employers, life sciences, and researchers.

We remain committed to our vision of transforming health care through managed care pharmacy, and we appreciate your engagement and support. We look forward to 2024 and new beginnings with confidence that our continued efforts will yield positive outcomes for the profession and patient care.

Gratefully,

Ebony S. Clay, PMP
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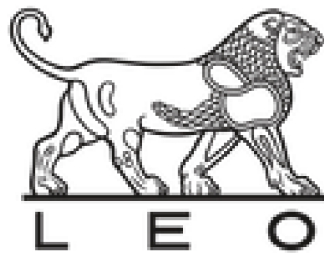
Thank You to Our Partners

From providing data-driven tools to supporting innovative research to educating the public to training future leaders, AMCP Foundation partnered with organizations to advance the managed care pharmacy profession and improve health care. Working together, we have achieved so much and are incredibly grateful to all our partners for their invaluable contributions.

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Inspiring the Next Generation

First HBCU Travel Awards Granted

AMCP and AMCP Foundation are proudly partnering to expand opportunities for students pursuing a PharmD at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). Collaborating with AMCP affiliates and leaders who launched this effort, AMCP Foundation created the [HBCU Travel Awards Fund](#) to provide grants to HBCU pharmacy students to attend AMCP's national meetings. Congratulations to the first recipients of this new travel award. [Thank you to all the HBCU donors who contributed to this initiative.](#)



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First Cathy A. Carroll Scholarship Recipients

The Cathy A. Carroll Scholarship honors the legacy of Cathy Carroll, PhD, MBA, BS Pharm a pharmacist and economist who was a trailblazer in outcomes research and strategic business development. Cathy was a beloved, long-time member who served as AMCP President from 2008-09 and championed the Health Care Practitioner Task Force.

[The scholarship recipients align with Dr. Carroll's values and passion for the industry. Thank you to all the Carroll Fund donors who contributed to this initiative.](#)

30 Years of Managed Care Internships

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Each summer, AbbVie, Genentech, Pfizer, Sanofi, and its host sites welcome a class of promising student pharmacists as interns. Through exposure to industry experts and impactful research, our interns are well-trained for their futures. Our students have unique, immersive experiences in which they can observe, take part in, and learn about all sectors of the industry. At the close of each program, our interns move on with the confidence and tools needed to become forward-thinking pharmacists.

[Hear from our summer interns themselves as they reflect upon this formative experience with AMCP Foundation.](#)

[And you can delve into each of the intern's capstone research project that they presented at Nexus 2023.](#)





Inspiring the Next Generation

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National Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P&T) Competition

The University of Connecticut, School of Pharmacy, took top honors in the 23rd Annual P&T Competition, with 45 schools across the country participating in the return to in-person event at AMCP 2023.

The University of Washington, School of Pharmacy placed second, with the University of Minnesota, College of Pharmacy placing third.

The P&T Competition mimics the process that health care decision makers follow when examining a new pharmaceutical product for placement on a formulary. Students collaborate in teams of three to four to prepare a drug monograph. The 2023 case study simulated a review for ADBRY™ (tralokinumab-ldrm) injection. Teams made recommendations for formulary placement and utilization management strategies presenting their recommendations to a panel of judges representing a P&T committee.



Members of the 1st place team (front row): Angela Su, Ryan Moreau, Ryan Shan, and Molly Csere with competition judges and AMCP Foundation staff.

We are deeply grateful to Executive Sponsor, Genentech, a member of the Roche Group, for their support of this competition and the managed care pharmacy profession. The Foundation will also like to thank Supernus Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Leo Pharma Inc. as supporting sponsors. AMCP Foundation thanks LEO Pharma Inc. and ForumlyDecisions® for use of the facilitating the use of the ADBRY™ eDossier for this competition.

Resident Perspectives

AMCP Foundation collaborates with the Postgraduate Year One (PGY1) Managed Care Pharmacy Residency at Premera Blue Cross Blue Shield in Seattle, Washington. We host a four-week rotation each spring to provide a unique experience and perspective on pharmacist careers in association management.

Meet each of our 2023 residents:



**Eva Carlson, PharmD, PGY1
Managed Care Resident**

[Read Eva's
Perspective](#)



**Amelia Brown, PharmD, PGY1
Managed Care Resident**

[Read Amelia's
Perspective](#)





Spotlighting Innovation

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2023 Steven G. Avey Award



The 2023 Steven G. Avey Award, the most prestigious honor in managed care pharmacy, is presented posthumously to Judith A. Cahill. As AMCP's first CEO, Judy set the bar high through her dedication to impacting and improving health care on a national level and ensuring that the patient voice is incorporated in the discussion. Judy guided our association through the passing of the Medicare Modernization Act and the launch of Medicare Part D. The managed care pharmacy community mourned the loss of Judy last year and we honor her once more with this posthumous award.

At AMCP 2023, AMCP past president Marissa Schlaifer, AMCP Foundation president Annesha White, and Judy's niece Kathy Kurek accepted the award on behalf of the family.

"On behalf of the AMCP Foundation Board of Trustees, it was wonderful to recognize Judy with managed care's greatest honor and celebrate her lifetime spent in service of the industry," said White. "The building blocks she put in place continue to elevate managed care pharmacy, and to enhance the value of AMCP membership."

We are proudly partnering with AMCP Past Presidents and Judy's family to ensure that Judy's professional legacy endures through resources that help general audiences understand how managed care pharmacy ensures high-quality patient care.

Best Poster Awardees

AMCP Foundation and CVS Health announced the recipients of AMCP Foundation's Best Poster Awards at AMCP 2023. This semiannual competition culminates twice per year at AMCP national meetings, with awards for new practitioners presented in three categories.

Congratulations to the honorees for their important contributions to evidence-based medicine!

[You can experience each of the awardees' posters virtually through our Best Poster Virtual series - accessible now!](#)





Advancing Practice

Introducing the Managed Care Pharmacy Primer Series

This collection of articles breaks down key managed care pharmacy topics and unravels complexities, offering practical and digestible insights to help inform better decision-making through enhancing public education.

Judith Cahill, the first CEO of AMCP, provided visionary leadership to the organization for more than 15 years. Judy's dedication to advancing patient care in managed care was unmatched and with a keen eye for detail, revolutionized the way managed care pharmacy was communicated to the world. To carry on her legacy, AMCP Foundation established the Judith A. Cahill Memorial Fund. Thank you to all the Cahill Fund donors who contributed to this initiative.

Primer 1: A Primer on Managed Care Pharmacy is currently available. The series will continue publishing throughout 2024, and will feature nine primers in total.





Advancing Practice

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Foundation's First Ever Research Grants Awarded

The AMCP Foundation is pleased to announce the awards of two grants to address health care disparities. Each grant of \$25,000 is **made possible by support from Takeda Pharmaceuticals, U.S.A., Inc.** The first grant award is to Nova Southeastern University, College of Pharmacy for their project entitled, "Evaluating the Impact of Training Healthcare Professionals on Social Determinants of Health" and the second project is awarded to the University of Mississippi, School of Pharmacy for their project on "Time to Treatment Initiative and Racial Disparities in Survival Rates Among Older Adults with Chronic Leukemia".

The Foundation Board President, Annesha White, shared the following, "We appreciate Takeda's generous grant to the AMCP Foundation. The first grant will enable healthcare professionals at multiple communicate clinic sites in Florida and Puerto Rico to use AHRQ-developed resources to teach healthcare professionals how to integrated SDoH quality improvement strategies into community-based clinics and to implement a train-the-trainer curriculum to support the training of healthcare professionals on how to engage patients in their healthcare decision-making as it relates to their SDoH.

The second grant will examine Medicare data for patients with CLL and CML and the time to initiate treatment and explore the relationship between timely treatment, race and survival rates. The findings from this research have the potential to inform clinical practice, influence healthcare policies and ultimately improve the lives of individuals affected by chronic leukemia. We are confident that these research projects will have a positive impact on advancing our understanding of these chronic diseases, and more importantly, help to mitigate disparities and improve patient outcomes".

AMCP and AMCP Foundation are committed to addressing disparities in medication use and access, including through research. There are three key areas where managed care pharmacists could leverage additional evidence to improve benefit design to address health inequities. As described in the [managed care pharmacy research agenda](#), health care decision makers seek to:

- Identify how the ability to navigate managed care benefit designs may impact inequities;
- Understand the connection between health inequities and medication adherence;
- Evaluate the impact of social determinants of health (SDOH) on medication affordability.

Research must use real-world data (RWD) and generate real-world evidence (RWE), in alignment with the managed care pharmacy research agenda.



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Demonstrating Good Citizenship

Spotlight on Volunteers: Jeffrey R. Huether



Volunteers are a vital part of the AMCP Foundation team, and Jeff Huether exemplifies this dedication. As the Director of Pharmacy at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska, Jeff volunteers for the AMCP/AMCP Foundation Joint Research Committee (JRC) and a former AMCP

Foundation Best Poster awardee. Jeff can attest to the value of AMCP Foundation programs, having personally benefited from them.

Jeff's commitment to AMCP is longstanding, having been a member since 2004 and currently serving his second term on JRC. He continues to give back as moderator of the Best Poster Virtual Presentation series aligning innovative research with the Managed Care Pharmacy Research Agenda. Furthermore, he is an AMCP Diplomat for the UNMC College of Pharmacy.

Jeff is based in Omaha, NE, where he resides with his family. He enjoys golfing, drumming, reading, and being an avid Nebraska Cornhusker sports spectator. However, he prioritizes his free time with his family. Jeff is an outstanding example of the value of volunteering and dedication to advancing pharmacy practice.

Spotlight on Volunteers: Our Judges

We admire and appreciate the hard work and dedication that our Best Poster Competition and P&T Judges demonstrated leading up to the presentations during AMCP 2023.

Both competition judges play a crucial role by evaluating scientific merit, methodology, and interpretation of data.

Thank you to the following individuals who evaluated each entry:

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Demonstrating Good Citizenship

Donor Inspires Others to Give

With her \$5,000 donation, Deb Curry created more than double the impact. That's because Deb offered her donation as a challenge match during AMCP Nexus, and encouraged others to match her generosity.



Giving Tuesday 2023 Outpaces Previous Years

Giving Tuesday kicked off our year end campaign with a record high \$17,091 in generous donations.



Commitment to Transparency: Charity Ratings

These rating systems underscore AMCP Foundation's transparency and credibility and increase our reach to donors looking to give to a trustworthy charity. These websites are widely regarded for protecting donors from charity scams and alleged misconduct by providing unbiased and objective information. We have maintained our platinum seal with Guidestar for the last three years and upgraded our Charity Navigator rating from three stars to four.





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