



## ***AMCP/FMCP/Allergan Inc. Specialized Summer Internship Program in Health Outcomes***

### **Program Description**

The AMCP/FMCP/Allergan Inc. Specialized Summer Internship Program in Health Outcomes is a learning opportunity for pharmacy students. The program is conducted during a ten-week period from May to August and can accommodate two students annually. The goal of this program is to stimulate pharmacy students' interest in career options in health outcomes and pharmacoeconomics through exposure to health outcomes research and measurement and its application to evidence-based decision making in managed health care systems. In addition, the interns will gain knowledge of the pharmaceutical industry, managed healthcare systems and professional association management.

Interns, through their work with the Allergan Global Health Outcomes Department will learn:

- the importance of health outcomes in the development and marketing of a pharmaceutical product,
- the process of drug discovery and the process of drug development through the various phases of clinical trials,
- how economic, clinical and humanistic outcomes are measured,
- the process for developing an AMCP *Format*-based product dossier and its use in the formulary decision-making process.

Students chosen for the program will spend eight weeks at the Allergan Global Health Outcomes Department in Irvine, California under the supervision of pharmacist preceptors. Working in close coordination with their preceptor, each student will complete a health outcomes related project. Interns will convert their project results into poster format and will exhibit their posters during the AMCP Educational Conference in October of the internship year.

In addition, interns will spend one week with a managed health care system to gain a basic understanding of formulary development, implementation, maintenance, evaluation and the importance of health outcomes in the formulary decision-making process.

Upon completion of the site rotations, the interns will spend one week at the AMCP/FMCP headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia. They will become acquainted with the workings of a professional association and foundation and work with a peer reviewer/mentor in the critique of a manuscript submitted to the *Journal of Managed Care Pharmacy (JMCP)* and presently undergoing peer review for publication.

The final portion of the program occurs at the AMCP Educational Conference in October, at which the interns exhibit their posters and actively participate in the conference.

### **Program Award Details**

Each of the two (2) students selected for internship positions will receive:

- Salary of \$600 per week for 10 weeks
- Coverage of housing, travel and other approved expenses to Allergan, the managed health care system, AMCP/FMCP headquarters and AMCP's Educational Conference
- Stipend for poster printing
- Complimentary registration to the AMCP Educational Conference
- Recognition by the AMCP Leadership and membership during AMCP's Educational Conference
- Complimentary AMCP membership for two years

### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Full time enrollment in an ACPE accredited school of pharmacy and in their second or third year of the Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum.
- The following must be submitted on or before the published application deadline:
  - Completed application form (either print or online)
  - Submission of three letters of recommendation (Faculty member, Dean of Students at the pharmacy school, and a non-relative practicing pharmacist who has worked directly with the student)
  - A project proposal related to the use of health outcomes studies and cost-effectiveness analysis to improve patient health status
    - Note: If the student is awarded an internship, the project proposal submitted by the student may not be implemented. The project that will be completed by the intern will be determined by the Allergan preceptor and the student
- Students must be able to complete the internship during a ten week period between May and August of the internship year. The specific dates of participation will be determined based on preceptors' and students' schedules.

### **Selection Process:**

Application submissions will be screened for completeness and to ensure that applicants meet eligibility requirement. Incomplete applications and ineligible applicants will be excluded from further consideration.

Three independent reviewers will score the remaining applications. The highest scoring applicants will advance as finalists. The Allergan preceptors will be provided with the names of the finalists. The preceptors will have the opportunity to review the finalists' applications and conduct telephone interviews. The preceptors will make the final decision of which 2 finalists are offered the internships.

### **About FMCP**

The Foundation for Managed Care Pharmacy (FMCP), a 501(c)3 nonprofit, charitable trust, is a research, education and philanthropic organization affiliated with the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP). FMCP envisions that patients will achieve improved quality of life through accessible, appropriate, and evidence-based medication therapy. The mission of the Foundation for Managed Care Pharmacy is to support research and education activities that advance sound medication management principles and strategies to improve patient health outcomes and quality of life. News and additional information about FMCP is available on the Foundation's Web site, [www.fmcenet.org](http://www.fmcenet.org).

### **About AMCP**

The Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP) is a national professional association of pharmacists and other health care practitioners who serve society by the application of sound medication management principles and strategies to achieve positive patient outcomes. The Academy's 4,800 members develop and provide a diversified range of clinical, educational and business management services and strategies on behalf of the more than 200 million Americans covered by a managed care pharmacy benefit. More news and information about AMCP can be obtained on its website, at [www.amcp.org](http://www.amcp.org).

### **About Allergan**

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