

2011 Student Organization Academic Excellence Award Finalist School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences American Pharmacist Association— Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP)

PHARMACY MENTORING PROGRAM

Student Pharmacists collaborate closely with UB's pre-pharmacy club to give more insight into pharmacy school, preparing for necessary steps along the way and become mentors. Pre-pharmacy students were paired up with a student pharmacist. Throughout the year, pharmacy has appeared at pre-pharmacy events as guest lecturers, has held mock interviews and spoke about how to study/survive and stay involved.



OPERATION DIABETES

Student Pharmacists collaborated with different retail pharmacies to provide wellness clinics with an emphasis on diabetes. The goal was to raise diabetes awareness. In addition, we raised over \$1,000 from the ADA Step Out: Walk to Fight Diabetes.



DRUG DISPOSAL/TAKE BACK PROGRAM

Pharmacists and Student Pharmacists volunteer and coordinate in drug take back programs throughout the community to promote proper disposal of medications and advocate against substance abuse. Patients happily drop off expired and unwanted drugs are without question where appropriately trained staff drive medications to secured drug disposal locations.



INTERNATIONAL PHARMACIST STUDENT FEDERATION

Student Pharmacists, faculty and staff join forces to cook and ask local restaurants to donate for the second annual Cultural Night/Pot-luck event. Cultural dress is encouraged to share more about everyone's background. The School of Pharmaceutical Sciences hold an annual International Spring Break Pot-Luck contest to battle to create the best appetizer, entrée, and dessert.



OPERATION HEART

Student Pharmacists host a series of cardiovascular education, medication assessment, and blood pressure screenings at a downtown Buffalo barber shop. Student Pharmacists hold a February American Heart Month apple-gram sale to support health eating and encourage sending an apple message to faculty and friends. Student Pharmacists participate together in the Linda Yalem Run to promote a heart healthy life style and support UB community.



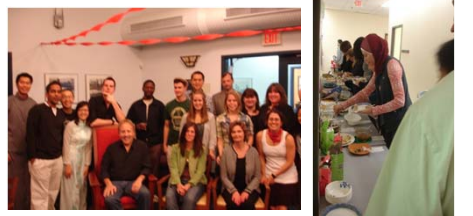
OPERATION IMMUNIZATION

Student Pharmacists collaborated with three different retail pharmacies as well as the University in order to educate the public about the importance of flu and pneumonia vaccinations. The students provided much need education to the public in an effort to fulfill their role as Vaccine Advocate.



WORLD AIDS AWARENESS DAY

Student Pharmacists campaign for World's AIDS Awareness in the student lobby, give away/hand out information, condoms, sell t-shirts, and host a photo-booth with printed photo



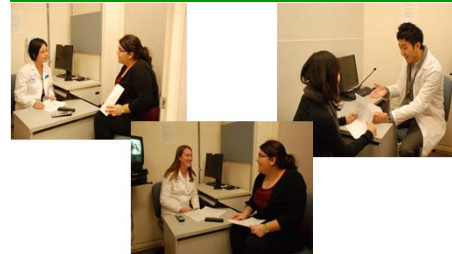
POLICY AND ADVOCACY

Student Pharmacists fundraise for APhA's Political Action Committee with a goal to raise over \$100 to support pharmacists campaigning and researching to advance pharmacy practice. UB plans to collaborate with NY state schools of pharmacy to continue to advocate for pharmacists rights through letter writing campaigns and visits to senators. Albany Advocacy day will take place this April to speak about current legislation and issues.



COUNSELING COMPETITION

Student Pharmacists are united and compete at APhA-ASP's counseling clinical skills competition. An unknown medication and patient history is assigned to a student who has to research and counsel the patient about specific problems in the given scenario.



PROJECT HEARTBURN AWARENESS

Student Pharmacists held a number of community health fairs, screening for heartburn. One specific event was held at a Burmese Women Health Fair in which educational materials and samples of OTC PPI's were distributed. This was a unique experience for the student pharmacists since a translator was needed to communicate with the community.

