

2010 AAPS Presidential Goals
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Goal #1: Further Advancing AAPS Global Interaction and Collaboration

- Extend our successful collaboration with international sister organizations beyond the 2010 Pharmaceutical Sciences World Congress (PSWC) in New Orleans. Examples of collaborations include:
 - joint programming at meetings;
 - co-sponsorship of workshops;
 - sharing of educational or training resources.
- Ensure that our meeting program content has an international perspective that recognizes the globalization of drug development and pharmaceutical sciences and draws members from outside the U.S.; for example,
 - invite international speakers regularly;
 - link with regulatory agencies in other developed and newly industrialized countries.
- Strengthen our outreach support to countries where pharmaceutical sciences infrastructure is underdeveloped; this is best accomplished as joint effort with associations in other developed countries.
- Enhance services to our E-members, particularly those located outside of the U.S. in developing countries; such as, offering long distance programming and relevant e-Learning.

Goal #2: Filling the Pipeline of Pharmaceutical Scientists (Continue 2009 Presidential Goal)

- Continue the efforts of Pharmaceutical Sciences Faculty Shortage Taskforce to promote academic track as a career option to Pharm.D. students and graduate students in the pharmaceutical sciences in collaboration with APhA, AACP and ACPE, and to build upon the resources that have been developed to assist the transitioning of industrial scientists to faculty positions in the academe.
- Extend outreach effort to high school and community college students via AAPS student chapters to create awareness of pharmaceutical sciences as a career path.
- Re-focus outreach effort to chemistry, biology and engineering (CBE) students in universities and colleges, which do not have a pharmaceutical science graduate program.
 - Coordinate visits of these schools jointly with established pharmaceutical sciences graduate programs in nearby or regional universities as a way to assist them in recruiting graduate student; i.e., partnership with a consortium of graduate programs.
 - Develop educational materials that introduce pharmaceutical science topics to undergraduates.

Goal #3: Strengthening AAPS Infrastructure and Enhancing Member Support

- Implementation of AAPS website redesign, which aims to increase AAPS visibility as a community for all scientists involved in drug discovery, development and manufacturing, reinforce membership values, improve user access and integration between online applications, enhance networking opportunities, and streamline website management.
- Continue to offer up-to-date and relevant professional development resources that helps members to deal with an evolving industry landscape and career transitions:
 - Establish a regular series of roundtables on career development or transition in this period of change at AM and NBC that address issues for early, mid or late career industrial scientists and managers. Make these roundtables available as webcasts for wider distribution.
 - Recruit scientists who have experienced job changes to volunteer as advisors and consultants to those going through the change.