

**Recruitment Section Meeting
27-May-2010**

Exec

- Recruitment Map Project - <http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?ie=UTF8&hl=en&msa=0&msid=109180053009379724601.00047fe2a86b289dc71ee&z=2>
- PHS pharmacy school alumni list project - Kristen working on mechanism to gather information, may request volunteers, details to come.

Website Workgroup

- Several documents have been updated, including the IHS Recruitment Presentation.
- LCDR Theresa Liu will be supporting LCDR Szydlo in the Posting Protocol section.
- CDR Terry Harrison, CDR David Moeny, and LCDR Loan Nguyen were tasked with reviewing the "STUDENTS AND PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS" section of the website. The Officers have completed their review and provided recommendations to improve the section. The recommendations are currently under review by CDR Wu, CDR Blackmon, and LCDR Szydlo.
- The Website Posting SOP drafted in March remains under review. The SOP describes the procedure for adding/deleting/changing information on the PharmPAC Recruitment Section Website.

Associate Recruiter Program (ARP)

- The program is still on hold until a more specific plan is put into place.
- LtJG Velisa Jackson-Stephens (velisa.jackson-stephens@hhs.gov - 240-453-6082) is the contact to request recruitment funds and to request booth registration for a planned DCCR funded event (DCCR only funds when they know officers are planning to staff a booth).
- LT Felicia Watts (felicia.watts@hhs.gov - 240-453-6070) is the contact to request recruitment supplies

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- No updates reported.

Inactive Reserve Corps

- The Office of Reserve Affairs is collaborating with the Department of Defense Director of Reserve Corps Medical Programs and the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs for the PHS implementation of a Ready Reserve Corps. The Office of Reserve Affairs has completed a comparative analysis of ready reserve programs in the Department of Defense.
- The Office of Reserve Affairs is coordinating an interdisciplinary / interagency working integrated policy team (WIPT) that is charged with developing policy concepts and a strategic plan for the Ready Reserve. The WIPT is moving along on a rapid timeline that is scheduled to complete by the first week of July.
- Currently, all direct commission recruitment and Inactive Reserve officer calls to active duty are on hold until the Ready Reserve Corps has been implemented

Student Programs

- Student Message for May: Opportunities in the PHS.
- Due to the COSTEP situation that occurred as collateral damage from the recently passed Health Care Reform Legislation, various agencies have been creative in terms of bringing the pharmacy students on board, in anticipation of their CAD. To date, no additional information is available in regards to the COSTEP program except that it is in the hands of Congress.

PHS Vacancies Document Workgroup

- May report posted
- June report being created

Pharmacy's Best Kept Secrets (PBKS)

- No current updates to report.

Policy

- No current updates to report.

May Student Programs Monthly Message

PHS Opportunities

Since its creation in 1798, the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) has continually directed its resources to meet the changing needs of the Nation. Today, professionals in more than a hundred different disciplines work in the PHS, charged with the complex task of protecting our Nation's health.

As a pharmacist, you are highly qualified to be a member of the healthcare team that impacts public health.

Pharmacists have played a vital role in the PHS over the last 100 years. While most pharmacists have been clinicians, many have also served in regulatory, administrative or research roles.

Today the greatest need is for clinical pharmacists to work with medically underserved populations. Most PHS pharmacists begin their careers in a clinical setting, advancing to senior clinical positions or moving to regulatory affairs, research, or administration. PHS Pharmacists serve in Agencies of Health and Human Services, Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service, and Department of Commerce. The Agencies include:

- * Indian Health Service (DHHS)
- * Bureau of Prisons (DOJ)
- * Food and Drug Administration (DHHS)
- * National Institutes of Health (DHHS)
- * Health Resources and Services Administration (DHHS)
- * Immigration and Naturalization Service (DHS)
- * United States Coast Guard (DHS)
- * Agency for Healthcare and Quality Policy and Research (DHHS)
- * Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (DHHS)
- * Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (DHHS)
- * Program Support Center (DHHS)
- * Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (DHHS)
- * Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (DHHS)
- * Office of the Secretary including Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) and Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS)

You are in a valued and trusted profession that puts you in contact with the public as well as other health care professionals. A career in the PHS builds on those values.

For more information on these programs and a Career in the USPHS, please go to:

<http://www.hhs.gov/pharmacy/agencies.html> and <http://www.hhs.gov/pharmacy/recruit97.html>

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