

Canadian Society of Hospital Pharmacists British Columbia Branch

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Win a PALM PDA by renewing your membership or becoming a new member before June 15, 2002!

It's CSHP Membership Renewal Time

Dear Colleague:

Recently you have received your CSHP membership renewal package, and we would like to remind you of the advantages and the many benefits that you have been enjoying. Member benefits for BC Branch members include: (1) The lowest membership fees in Canada; (2) **Complimentary** or discounted registration fees for CSHP National, BC Branch local (Greater Vancouver), and Chapter (Northern, Okanagan, Fraser Valley, and Vancouver Island) continuing education events; (3) **Free** access to videotapes of BC Branch continuing education events; (4) **Free** subscription to one of the most succinct and useful newsletters (Medical Letter); (5) **Free** subscription to the Canadian Journal of Hospital Pharmacy (CJHP); (6) Access to CSHP National Pharmacy Specialty Networks (PSNs); (7) Accessible BC Branch and CSHP National websites; (8) Member, student member, and member in training eligibility for many CSHP awards and research grants; and (9) Discounts to various merchants, services and more!

PRIZES - New Members & Early Renewal

In addition to this long list of member benefits, this spring, we are introducing a Prize for new members and early renewal members. Any new member enrolled by June 15, 2002 who has not been a member of CSHP in the last year is eligible to win a Palm PDA Device. Another Palm PDA Device will be awarded to one member who renews their membership by June 15, 2002.

Renew early to ensure you will be entered in the draw for the Palm PDA !

Sincerely,

Alan Low, BSc.(Pharm.), Pharm. D., FCSHP
Chair, Membership Committee, CSHP – BC Branch
Chair, Ambulatory Care PSN, CSHP

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Branch President, CSHP – BC Branch

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How Important Are National Executive Branch Visits?

Delegates from the National Executive historically have made visits to each CSHP Branch on a rotating basis. Usually the visits would occur every three years to the BC Branch. The purpose of these visits was to allow the members to have a chance to meet the National Executive. This provided an information exchange allowing the National Executive to stay in tune with the local membership and also for the local membership to get to know the National Executive more on a personal basis.

Due to budgetary concerns over the past few years, these visits were stopped temporarily. Now that the financial situation is looking better, National Executive is looking at restarting the visitations. But before they do, each branch is to advise Council on the importance of these visits to the members. Questions they want answered are:

1. Should the visitations be done only as requested instead of on a regular basis?
2. What is the risk of doing it this way?
3. Are these visits perceived as valuable?
4. Are there better ways for CSHP to spend its money?

Please provide your comments on this issue to Sherry Coutts, BC Branch National Delegate (delegate@cshp-bc.com). All comments are welcome. Your feedback will be presented to National Council at the National AGM in August 2002.

CSHP National AGM Comes to Vancouver

This year's Annual General Meeting of CSHP National will be held in Vancouver from August 10-13th at the Westin Bayshore Hotel. As this meeting only comes to B.C. once every 8-10 years, this is a unique opportunity to attend this event which includes three days of educational sessions and the annual general meeting for your organization. A local Host Committee is planning social events to complement the program, the feature being a salmon barbeque and evening at the beautiful Museum of Anthropology at UBC. Individual day registrations and shared registrations are offered as options for those unable to attend the entire meeting. Plan now to attend and watch for further details in the next few months.

We would like to thank our corporate sponsors:

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President's Message

The CSHP BC Branch has been in full swing, and we are well on our way to achieving many of our goals for 2002. We are focusing on responding to last year's membership survey, retention and recruitment of new members, maintaining our high quality CE events, and expanding our role as lobby group for hospital pharmacists. Although we are starting to wind down for the summer, it is important to keep you updated on BC Branch activities.

Our BC Branch Membership Drive is well underway and has coincided nicely with the CSHP National Membership Drive. We encourage existing members to renew and invite new members to join before June 15th for a chance to win one of two PALM PDA devices to be drawn later this summer. In an effort to maintain membership, we continue to have the lowest membership dues of any Branch in Canada. We will also be targeting student members through our Student Lecture Series at UBC in the fall, and we are in the infancy of developing a Hospital Pharmacist Mentorship Program for Student Members. Unfortunately, the carrier and insurance company for the optional CSHP National Liability Insurance has discontinued their coverage as of June 2002. CSHP National is actively pursuing feasible alternatives that will meet our members' needs.

Congratulations to Leela John and the BC Branch Programs Committee for hosting two excellent events in 2002 – the Spring Therapeutics Update on April 8th at the Radisson in Burnaby, and Residency Presentation Night on May 8th at the Hyatt Regency. The BC Branch would like to congratulate all of the residents, preceptors, and co-investigators for another year of outstanding presentations and posters. Congratulations also to Donna Buna and Dana Cole for hosting Chapter CE events in the Okanagan and Northern Chapters. We are expecting great things later this year from the Fraser Valley and Vancouver Island Chapters.

We are fortunate to have the CSHP National AGM in Vancouver this August 10-13th at the Westin Bayshore. The BC Branch Host Committee is putting the final details on many of the events, and encourages everyone to register early to partake in exciting social events, and see local and out of town speakers. Not to be confused with the National AGM, our **BC Branch AGM** will be held on November 15th and 16th at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. We are looking forward to innovative and informative sessions planned by Leela John and the Programs Committee. A call for abstracts for research posters for the BC Branch AGM will be sent out later this summer, so be sure to get in your submission. Keep an eye out for other calls for submissions for both competitive and non-competitive BC Branch Awards throughout the summer. Thank you to all of those who prepared Pharmacy Awareness Week submissions, and congratulations again to Lion's Gate Hospital Pharmacy Department for their winning submission.

Finally, we have been keeping members up to date with our lobbying activities and promotion of CSHP National Publications. Both the "Role of the Pharmacy Technician" and "Role of Pharmacist within a Health Care Facility" have been uploaded onto the website, and executive has forwarded a list of additional provincial media and organizations to National to target for more widespread coverage.

The BC Branch council, committee, and chapter members are volunteers committed to providing innovative services and support for our members in striving for **Vision 2003**, "Setting the course, partnering with patients, striving for excellence." Please do not hesitate to contact me with any suggestions or feedback throughout the year. Enjoy your summer!

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President and Vision Liaison,
Programs Committee Member
CSHP BC Branch



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CSHP- BC Branch Awards

The Awards Committee of the BC Branch of the Canadian Society of Hospital Pharmacists is pleased to announce that several branch and national awards are available. Members are encouraged to review eligibility criteria and consider submitting applications and nominations where applicable. Details for the following awards can be viewed, and on-line applications/nominations can be submitted, at <http://www.cshp-bc.com/awards.htm>

Pharmacy Practice Award

- Award consists of \$250 and is presented annually to recognize the best poster presentation at the BC Branch Annual General Meeting in November.
- Stay tuned for the "Call for Abstracts" for eligibility criteria in August
- Deadline for submission: **September 1, 2002.**

Maria Machado Memorial Education Program Award

- Award consists of \$250 and is intended to be used to implement or further a patient education program. Letters of support from the Pharmacy Director must accompany the submission.
- Deadline: **August 31, 2002.**

Publication Award

- Any member whose article has been published or accepted for publication in the past year.
- There are new terms of reference this year – two categories: original research and review articles
- The recipient is awarded \$250 (one award for each category).
- Deadline for submission: **August 31, 2002.**

Distinguished Service Award

- Available annually to a member in recognition of outstanding achievement and long term service to the practice of hospital pharmacy. The Branch will make a donation of \$100 in the recipient's name to the Research Foundation of the Canadian Society of Hospital Pharmacists.
- Deadline for submissions: **August 31, 2002.**

Pharmacia Residency Award

- Awarded to a Hospital Pharmacy Resident for best major project. Please see Residency Coordinator for details.
- Deadline for Submissions: **August 31, 2002.**



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British Columbia Branch - CSHP Award Application / Nomination Form

The Awards Program of the BC Branch, CSHP is designed to recognize the achievements of the membership through a variety of awards. Detailed descriptions of the awards may vary. Please view the Branch web site at www.cshp-bc.com for details.

When submissions have more than one author, the submitting author **must** be a current CSHP member. Please specify the names and CSHP numbers for any other authors who are CSHP members. When nominating an individual for an award, please place their name as applicant and provide your name and contact address and phone number as nominator.

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Name of applicant _____

Other Authors if applicable _____

Position _____

Employment Address _____

Business Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Education
(Institution / Degree / Date) _____

CSHP Membership # _____

Award Applied/Nomination made for _____

Project Title (if applicable) _____

Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of nominator (if applicable) _____ Date _____

(Include contact address, e-mail, telephone #) _____

Submit this form with your submission attached (if applicable) to:

Colette Raymond, Pharm.D.
Awards Chair, CSHP-BC Branch
Pharmacy Department – VHHSC UBC site
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Fax 604-822-9742

email: awards@cshp-bc.com



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Special Awards Announcement Continuing Education Travel Award Program for 2002

The Pharmaceutical Partners of Canada Inc. has re-introduced funding for the Continuing Education Travel Award Program. The purpose of this award is to help pharmacists attend CSHP conferences, programs and educational seminars that hospitals may not normally be able to fund.

All BC Branch CSHP members are invited to apply for one of four available \$500.00 awards. **The deadline for application is July 1, 2002.** Winners will be determined by random draw. All awards must be utilized in the calendar year for December 31, 2002. Winners will receive a cheque for \$ spent upon sending receipts to the Awards Chair. Only one application per person please.

Please apply by filling out the below form then fax / mail / or email to:

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Awards Chair, CSHP-BC Branch
Pharmacy Department – VHHSC UBC site
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Name _____

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Deadline for Application July 1, 2002

