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UMSOP NEWS

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SOP's Boyle Selected for AACP National Educator Award

The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) has chosen [Cynthia J. Boyle, PharmD, FAPhA, FNAP, FASCP](#), professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science (PPS), for a national award to honor her contributions in instruction, scholarly activities, professional and public service and outreach, and impact in pharmacy education. The 2022 Robert K. Chalmers Distinguished Pharmacy Educator Award is one of the AACP's most prestigious honors, which Boyle will receive at the AACP Annual Meeting in Grapevine, Texas, in July. [Click here](#) to read more.



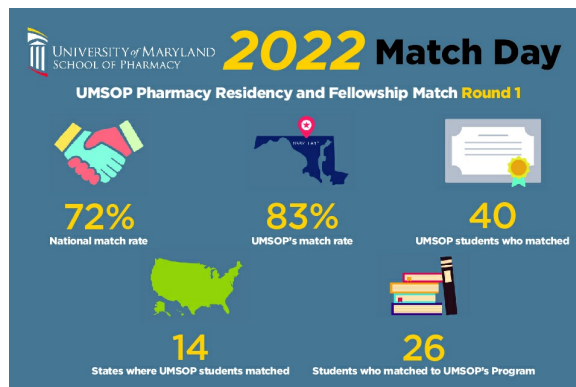
MS in Medical Cannabis Program Names New Co-Director



[Chad Johnson, PhD](#), an instructor in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences (PSC), has been named co-director of the School of Pharmacy's [Master of Science in Medical Cannabis Science and Therapeutics \(MCST\)](#) program. Johnson joins [Leah Sera, PharmD, MA, BCPS](#), associate professor of pharmacy practice and science, as co-directors of the first graduate program in the country dedicated to the study of medical cannabis. [Click here](#) to read more.

PharmD Class of 2022 Has a Successful Phase 1 Residency Match

With the first round of the matching period for pharmacy residency and fellowship programs across the country on March 16, thousands of fourth-year student pharmacists learned the next step in their career path when the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) announced its Residency Match Day results. Forty students from the Class of 2022 at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy (UMSOP) – 83% of those who applied –were matched to residency positions in 14 states at institutions such as CVS Health, Johns Hopkins Hospital, the Cleveland Clinic, University of Maryland Medical Center, and Kaiser Permanente. [Click here](#) to read more.



SOP Attends Maryland Legislative Day to Advocate for Expanded Health Care Access and Recognition



Members of the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy (UMSOP) community joined the Maryland Pharmacy Coalition (MPC) and state politicians for a virtual Legislative Day in February to push for two bills that would improve health care access. More than 200 Maryland pharmacists and student pharmacists, and more than 100 Maryland legislative personnel, including district delegates, senators, and aides, attended Legislative Day, which was held again online this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. [Click here](#) to read more.

It's Giving Month!

On April 1, the School of Pharmacy kicked off our month-long giving event focused on the expertise, influence, and impact of our community. Please consider making a gift in April in support of our departments, centers, and programs - all which bolster our education, practice, research, and community outreach initiatives. Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) and like, comment, and share our content throughout April using [#umsopgivingmonth](#). We will be announcing events and challenges throughout the month, so be sure to check



in with us often and make your Giving Month donation at [pharmacy.umaryland.edu/go/givingmonth](https://pharmacy.umaryland.edu/go/givingmont) to help us reach our goal of 300 donors.

Alumni Association Seeking Nominations for the Alumni Council

The Alumni Association of the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy serves to bridge and reconnect alumni to the School and its students.

It is currently seeking nominations for the **2022-2023 Alumni Council**. Consider applying for one of the council's positions and take the opportunity to give back to the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy. Please click [here](#) to view the roles and responsibilities of the council.

Please click here to [submit your application](#). **The deadline for submission is Saturday, April 30, 2022.**

Elections for the 2022-2023 will take place on **Monday, May 16 at 7 p.m.** at the Alumni Association's Executive Council Annual Business meeting, the details of which will be announced soon. Click [here](#) to register for the meeting and all alumni are encouraged to attend.

PATIENTS Professors Academy Application Deadline Extended to May 8

The School of Pharmacy's PATIENTS Program provides a proven approach to continuous engagement in patient-centered research. The program's newly launched PATIENTS Professors Academy (PPA) will teach its 10-step framework for continuous patient and stakeholder engagement to increase patient-driven research across the nation.



PPA is a free, five-week online course beginning July 11 with interactive components from our patient advisors and content experts. The application deadline to participate has been extended to May 8. [Click here](#) for more information and to apply.

EVENTS

Paul A. Pumpian Memorial Lecture

April 28 | 1 p.m.

The Department of Pharmaceutical Health Services Research will host its annual Paul A. Pumpian Memorial Lecture in Pharmacy Hall, Room N103 and via WebEx. The guest speaker will be Phillip H. Phan, PhD, the Alonzo and Virginia Decker Professor of Technology Entrepreneurship and Professor of Medicine at Johns Hopkins University, who will present "Challenges and Opportunities in the

MS in Regulatory Science's Virtual Open House

May 3 | 4 p.m.

This virtual open house includes a brief overview of the Master of Science and Graduate Certificates in Regulatory Science programs, followed by a Q&A session.

Digitization of Pharmapreneurship.”

[Register here.](#)

MS in Medical Cannabis Science and Therapeutics Virtual Information Session May 4 at noon

The School of Pharmacy’s MS in Medical Cannabis Science and Therapeutics program will host a virtual information session for participants to learn about the application process and the curriculum and to get answers to frequently asked questions.

[Register here.](#)

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Online Graduate Studies in Palliative Care Virtual Information Session May 10 at noon and 8 p.m.

These information sessions will provide an overview of the PhD, MS in Palliative Care degree, and Graduate Certificates program, and explore topics such as the admissions process, course schedule, and other frequently asked questions.

[Register here.](#)

FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENT NEWS

LAURELS

The following members of the [Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging](#) received the Howard Guterman Poster Award at the annual meeting of AMDA: Society for the Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine: [Barbara Zarowitz, PharmD](#); [Paavani Jain, MBBS, MPH](#); [Danya Qato, PharmD, MPH, PhD](#); [Aaron Carabajal-Johnson, PharmD](#); [Sean Fleming, MSW](#); [Nicole Brandt, PharmD, MBA](#); and [Linda Wastila, PhD](#).

[Nicole Brandt, PharmD, MBA](#), professor of pharmacy practice and science and of pharmaceutical health services research, received the 2022 Clinician of the Year Award from the Foundation for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine.

[Andrew Coop, PhD](#), associate dean for academic affairs and professor of pharmaceutical sciences, has been named chair-elect of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy’s Graduate Education Special Interest Group.

[Dante Johnson](#), a graduate student in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, received UM Ventures’ 2022 Graduate Translational Research Award.

[Barbara Zarowitz, PharmD](#), geriatric pharmacotherapy and clinical research consultant at the Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging, received the Breaking Science Award at the annual meeting of AMDA: Society for the Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine.

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

[Mathangi Gopalakrishnan, PhD](#), assistant professor of pharmacy practice and science, received a 18-month \$32,917 contract from George Washington University for “Intergenerational Transmission of Low-calorie Sweeteners via the Breast Milk.”

[Joey Mattingly, PharmD, MBA, PhD](#), associate professor of pharmaceutical health services research, received a one-year \$1 million cooperative agreement from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for “COMMunity Mistrust and Institutional Trustworthiness to Advance Health EQUity Research (COMMIT-EQ).”

[C. Daniel Mullins, PhD](#), professor and chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Health Services Research, received a five-month

[Julia Slejko, PhD](#), associate professor of pharmaceutical health services research, received a two-year \$392,300 contract from Genentech for “Inequality Aversion in the United States” and received a one-year \$16,859 contract from the National Health Council for “Recommendations for Patient-Centered Value Assessment.”

[Audra Stinchcomb, PhD](#), professor of pharmaceutical sciences, received a one-year \$349,333 grant from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration through the Maryland Center of Excellence for Regulatory Science and Innovation for “Evaluating Quality Performance of Extemporaneously Compounded Estrogen Hormone Products.”

\$189,612 contract from Johns Hopkins University for “Community-Engagement Research Alliance Against COVID-19 in Disproportionately Affected Communities (CEAL) -Phase 2.”

Patrick Wintrode, PhD, associate professor of pharmaceutical sciences, received a nine-month \$43,798 contract from Johns Hopkins University for “Toward Understanding the Chemistry and Biology of Microbial DXP Synthase.”

