

AACP - SUMMARY

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Jeff Baldwin, Pharm.D., RP, President of AACP, gave a report from AACP.

(1) The AACP House adopted a policy statement in July supporting enhanced efforts to foster awareness among faculty, student pharmacists and the public to combat drug counterfeiting. (2) There have been 4 additional schools approved for site visits in fall 2009 to determine if they will award pre-candidate status to these institutions in July 2010. (3) Several schools previously placed on probation are all now in good standing. (4) Accreditation standards now require 300 hours of IPPE. Prior to the beginning of the final year, in addition to the 1440 hours of APPE during the final year. The expectation is that IPPE should be in addition to and integrated with classroom and practice laboratory learning. The focus should be on the mastering of the expected competencies, not simply focusing on the number of hours spent in the IPPEs. Some states require intern hours in addition to the 1740 hours required for accreditation. This could lead to over 2640 hours. The use of simulations was discussed (5) A plan for the pharmacist's role to help address the issue of the shortage of primary care providers with regards to medication therapy was discussed (model pharmacy practice act). (6) The AACP Interim Meeting will be held in early February 2010 in Arlington VA. The focus will be the new educational model. July 10-14, 2010 Teacher's Seminar in Seattle WA will focus on inter-professional education. (7) Substance abuse education prevention and assistance will be examined on how they are integrated into the professional curriculum and through continual professional development.