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**OCTOBER IS  
PHARMACY MONTH  
TECH CONFERENCE  
INFORMATION INSIDE  
PHARMACY TECHNICIAN DAY  
OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2015**

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Award Nominations Criteria 2016  
NAPT Constitution and Bylaw Changes

**In recognition of:**

**Pharmacy Week – October 18 – 24, 2015**

**Pharmacy Technician Day October 20, 2015**



**The NAPT Executive Board thanks YOU for your continued dedication to the profession!**

**We encourage YOU to celebrate the excellence of Pharmacy throughout Pharmacy week. Highlight the importance of Pharmacy Technicians on Pharmacy Technician day reflecting the accolades that has set the high standard we practice today in North Dakota.**

**Such standards ensure a safe environment for our patients!**

**Ways to celebrate the excellence of being a Pharmacy Technician:**

- ❖ Bring treats on Pharmacy Technician Day.
- ❖ Go out for lunch to celebrate your daily excellence.
- ❖ Take a minute to reflect the importance of your role.
- ❖ Thank your coworkers for the work they do, teamwork is important.

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## 2015 Calendar

### SEPTEMBER

**Sept 26** White Coat Ceremony,  
Festival Concert Hall

### OCTOBER

#### OCTOBER IS PHARMACIST MONTH

**Oct 9** PMG Fall Meeting  
National Harbor MD

**Oct 9-11** NASPA Fall Meeting  
National Harbor MD

**Oct 10** NDSU Homecoming &  
Festivities

**Oct 10-14** NCPA Annual Meeting  
Washington DC

**Oct 17-21** ACCP Annual Meeting  
San Francisco CA

**Oct 20** Pharmacy Technician Day

**Oct 26-29** AMCP Orlando FL

**Oct 30-Nov 1** ASCP Annual Meeting Las  
Vegas NV

### NOVEMBER

**Nov 11** Veteran's Day

**Nov 26** Thanksgiving





Howdy everyone,

I hope you've all had an enjoyable summer. If not, there is still time to get out and enjoy all the outdoor activities ND has to offer! It's hard to believe we are already approaching the busy fall months. School is back in session, and of course with that comes cough/cold/flu etc. We should continue to do our part to advocate for the health and wellness of our communities, a large part of that being pushing immunizations.

Recently, Tony Welder and I worked on a membership drive to encourage those that are not members of the NDPhA to become members. As you well know, NDPhA is a strong advocate for the pharmacy profession in ND, as well as nationally. NDPhA continues to get attention nationally for the innovative things it does, with other states looking to do similar things. I have been a member of the NDPhA, as well as serving on the board of the service corp and NDPhA, for several years now. Mike and staff have done an excellent job at the state office. We have seen several advancements in the pharmacy profession in ND. I have to say, there is a strong sense of pride to say I am a member of NDPhA and a pharmacist in ND!

So encourage your friends and colleagues to become members of this great organization. Get involved, and stay abreast of what the association is working on on their behalf, both locally and federally. It is with a strong voice and unified message that we can best meet the challenges that are presented to us in this ever changing practice of pharmacy.

Sincerely,

*Kyle DeMontigny PharmD RPh*

President NDPhA



## **Congratulations to Central Avenue Pharmacy One of 10 Health Mart® Pharmacies Nationwide to Receive Health Mart® Community Healthcare Excellence Award**



Health Mart®, a national network of more than 4,000 independently owned pharmacies, honored Central Avenue Pharmacy, Pharmacist/Owner Doreen M. Sayler, R. Ph. and Pharmacist Dr. Natalie Sayler, R.Ph. on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 with a Health Mart® Community Healthcare Excellence Award for consistently providing care and services that add measurable value to patient health care and community wellness. Central Avenue Pharmacy is one of just ten pharmacies across the country to be receiving this prestigious award. The award was presented during a visit from the Health Mart® Healthy Living Tour which offered complimentary health screenings.

In addition to being a full-service pharmacy Central Avenue Pharmacy, which celebrated its 26th anniversary in August, is proud to be an “old fashioned community drug store,” offering everything from natural and homeopathic products, a full line of goDesana Essential Oils, organic food and natural products as well as gifts, crafts and toys in the store. As a small town pharmacy, Central Avenue Pharmacy provides vital services to Valley City and the surrounding communities. In addition to their in-store customers, Central Avenue Pharmacy services two hospice organizations, two health departments, a nursing home and two assisted living centers in Valley City and the surrounding communities. Central Avenue Pharmacy’s commitment to their community was never more evident than during the flood of 2009. Despite flooding at each of their own homes, Doreen Sayler and Dr. Natalie Sayler worked long hours with a skeleton staff during the evacuation of the community, filling prescriptions for the patients forced to leave their homes abruptly and for the National Guard members that were fighting the flood and keeping the community safe.

The Health Mart Healthy Living Tour is on the road to celebrate and recognize community pharmacists for the important role they play as trusted healthcare providers in their communities—helping to educate and counsel on a variety of conditions that can be better managed with the help of a pharmacist. Aboard the Health Mart Healthy Living Tour’s 40-foot health screening unit, tour staff will provide complimentary health screenings for risks associated with high blood pressure, diabetes, cholesterol and obesity. The tour made a total of four stops in North Dakota between August 25-27, 2015, the first-ever North Dakota stops for the 6-year-old national tour. The tour provided free health screenings in Bismarck and Grand Forks in addition to the Valley City appearance at Central Avenue Pharmacy.

Now in its sixth year of operation, the Health Mart Healthy Living Tour is aiming to raise awareness of the important role community pharmacists play in the healthcare system, providing broader access to clinical services and medication counseling, which helps improve the quality of care while lowering healthcare costs. The Health Mart Healthy Living Tour will encourage consumers to initiate healthcare conversations with Health Mart pharmacists who can partner with them for better health.

Through complimentary health screenings at each pharmacy event, tour staff will identify people at risk for various health conditions and encourage them to manage these conditions with help from Health Mart® pharmacists, who advise on ways to reduce medication spending and better understand drug regimens and complications. Health Mart® recognizes that community pharmacists are essential to the towns and cities where they live and work.

FULL 2015 TOUR NATIONAL SCHEDULE: <http://www.hmhl.com/pages/events.html>



# NDPhA Award Nominations *Criteria*

Fax to: (701) 258-9312 or

Email to: [ndpha@nodakpharmacy.net](mailto:ndpha@nodakpharmacy.net) by **FEBRUARY 1, 2016.**

A list of past recipients can be found on our website at [www.NodakPharmacy.net](http://www.NodakPharmacy.net). Scoring details for nominations received can also be found on our website listed above. Nominations should be submitted **ALONG WITH BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION.**

## NDPHA AWARDS NOMINATIONS CRITERIA

### AL DOERR SERVICE AWARD

The recipient must: be a pharmacist licensed to practice in North Dakota, The recipient must be a member of the North Dakota Pharmacists Association, be living (not presented posthumously); not have been a previous recipient of the award; has compiled an outstanding record for community and pharmacy service.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

### UPSHER-SMITH LABORATORIES EXCELLENCE IN INNOVATION AWARD

The recipient should be a practicing pharmacist within North Dakota and a member of NDPhA who has demonstrated Innovative Pharmacy Practice resulting in improved patient care.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

### PHARMACISTS MUTUAL DISTINGUISHED YOUNG PHARMACIST AWARD

The goal of this award is to encourage the newer pharmacists to participate in association and community activities. The award is presented annually to recognize one such person for involvement and dedication to the practice of pharmacy. The recipient must: have received his/her entry degree in pharmacy less than nine years ago; be a pharmacist licensed to practice in North Dakota; a member of NDPhA; have practiced community, institutional, managed care or consulting pharmacy and who has actively participated in national pharmacy associations, professional programs, state association activities and/or community service.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

### APHA/NASPA BOWL OF HYGEIA

The recipient must: be a pharmacist licensed to practice in North Dakota; a member of NDPhA; be living (not presented posthumously); not have been a previous recipient of the award; is not currently serving, nor has he/she served within the immediate past two years as an officer of the association in other than an ex-officio capacity or its awards committee; have compiled outstanding record of community service, which apart from his/her specific identification as a pharmacist, reflects well on the profession.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

### GENERATION RX CHAMPIONS AWARD SPONSORED BY THE CARDINAL HEALTH FOUNDATION

This award was established to recognize a pharmacist for his or her work in prescription drug abuse, which could also include recovery and education.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_



# Message from the NAPT President

## President's Report:

Did you know.... Once you have completed the pharmacy technician program and register with the ND State Board of Pharmacy you also become a member of NAPT, Northland Association of Pharmacy Technicians? We encourage you to become involved in NAPT to find out how it may help in your career and also to give you an opportunity to see what you may offer NAPT.

Our mission is to provide leadership, continuing education and interaction among technicians and other health care providers in all aspects of the profession of Pharmacy.

Welcome to our newest NAPT board members; Kerri Ring, Danika Braaten, Autumn Guilbert and Amanda Olauson. We are excited to have them serve on the Northland Association of Pharmacy Technician board and look forward to working together to better our organization.

Congratulations to Barbara Lacher on her appointment to ASHP and ACPE as one of the new Commissioners for the Pharmacy Technician Accreditation Commission.

Congratulations to Diane Halverson for being elected to serve a second term as president on the State Board of Pharmacy.

The sky is the limit when thinking of possibilities for pharmacy technicians. Make sure to look for ways you might also serve in the field of pharmacy.

Let us know how you are making a difference.

I would like to invite all pharmacy technicians to the Fall Conference to be held in Bismarck on October 17-18 at the Kelly Inn/Minerva's. Watch for your registration form coming in the mail by mid-August. This is an excellent opportunity to receive continuing education and meet other pharmacy technicians.

*Sharon Kupper*

Sharon Kupper, NAPT President

## NAPT Fall Conference October 24-25, 2015



Save the date for October 24 & 25 for the NAPT Fall Conference. This year the conference will be held in Grand Forks at the Hampton Inn. A block of room is reserved and the cost is 119.00/night. This year's conference will be packed with great CE including pharmacy law, patient safety, street drugs, and much more. Watch your mail for detailed information regarding the Conference and Hotel information. Hope to see you there.

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## NAPT AWARDS NOMINATIONS CRITERIA

Nominations accepted from any member of NAPT, NDPhA or NDSHP

### DISTINGUISHED YOUNG PHARMACY TECHNICIAN SPONSORED BY PHARMACISTS MUTUAL

- Practicing as a Pharmacy Technician for less than 10 years.
- Registered as a Pharmacy Technician in North Dakota.
- Practice sites shall include but are not limited to; Institutional, Managed Care, Retail, or consulting pharmacy in the year selected.
- Nominee should demonstrate an outstanding work experience in the Profession of Pharmacy. Participation in national technician association, professional programs, state association activities, and or community services is not required but would be good examples of dedication to the profession.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

### DIAMOND AWARD SPONSORED BY THRIFTY WHITE STORES

- Current or past registration as a N.D. pharmacy technician is required.
- Must be living, awards are not posthumously.
- Must not be a past recipient of this award.
- Must not be currently serving as an officer of the NAPT Association.
- Must have demonstrated an outstanding record of community service such as; involved in church, community (scouts, school, PTA, Jaycees or other organizations). The recipient also demonstrates an outstanding service to the Profession of Pharmacy.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

### FRIEND OF NAPT SPONSORED BY NAPT

- Must not have been a previous recipient of this award.
- An advocate of NAPT & the Profession of Pharmacy Technicians.
- The nominee may include but not limited to; Registered Pharmacy Technician, Registered Pharmacist, or any related Pharmacy Business. The recipient is not limited to a specific person; a company can also be noted as a recipient.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

### PHARMACY TECHNICIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD SPONSORED BY DAKOTA DRUG

- The nominee shall be a Registered Pharmacy Technician in ND.
- No nominee shall be a member of the Selection Committee or past recipient of the award.
- Each nominee shall be actively practicing as a Pharmacy Technician in North Dakota. However, need not be actively involved with NAPT.

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_



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## You are the future!

- January 2015: PTCB announces new standard for ACPE CE to require a "T" designation.
- September 2013: NAPT implements the use of ACPE CE approval for Annual Fall Conference.
- July 2013: NAPT establishes the ND student Scholarship fund. First award distributed February 2015.
- May 2013: ND State Board of Pharmacy elects the Pharmacy Technician Board member as President.
- October 2012: NAPT celebrates its 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Conference
- January 2011: Governor Dalrymple appointed the first Pharmacy Technician to the ND State Board of Pharmacy.
- April 2009: ND legislative added a Pharmacy Technician and Public Member to the structure of the ND State Board of Pharmacy.
- April 2008: Academy affiliation approved by NDPhA.
- September 2007: Ballots sent out to NAPT members regarding affiliation with NDPhA academy structure. Conclusion, the membership voted yes. Academy request to be submitted to NDPhA.
- September 2005: Conversation began to consider becoming a part of NDPhA academy structure.
- February 1999: First due date for CE for ND RPhTechs. 20 CEs due at this time and 20 CEs every 2 years thereafter.
- May 5, 1997: ND State Board of Pharmacy designates the Director of NDSCS Pharmacy Technician program to be the CE Provider for ND RPhTechs.
- January 1996: Informational meetings held by the NAPT Executive board across the state to inform Pharmacy Technicians of recent changes happening in the state and discuss the future of Pharmacy Technicians.
- March 10, 1995: Bill #2163 signed by Governor Schafer, effective August 1, 1995 Pharmacy Technicians are recognized as part of the Practice Act of North Dakota.
- October 1, 1994: "Registration" of Pharmacy Technicians, comprising a list of 317 practicing Pharmacy Technicians.
- January 25, 1994: NAPT invited to serve on the advisory committee of the North Dakota State Board of Pharmacy.
- October 10, 1992: First NAPT Annual Fall Conference held
- April 25, 1992: Pharmacy Technicians invited to attend the NDPhA Annual Convention.
- January 15, 1992: The Northland Association of Pharmacy Technicians (NAPT) was named.
- October 2, 1991: A group of Pharmacy Technicians gathered to begin an organization for Pharmacy Technicians.

In addition to the above attributes, NAPT has hosted Annual Fall Conferences, AAPT Regional Conferences and Annual Convention. It is through the quality of CE offered to our Pharmacy Technicians that not only sets the bar but raises it to a level of excellence ensuring ND RPhTechs are the best of the best in the profession of pharmacy!





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# 2015 Annual *Fall Conference*

## Friday, October 23, 2015

- 4:45 pm Registration table opens  
(Working dinner provided)
- 5:00 – 5:05 pm Welcome
- 5:05 – 6:05 pm **Dr. Mark Hardy, Pharm D, Executive Director of the ND State Board of Pharmacy:**  
Updates from the North Dakota State Board of Pharmacy  
0047-9999-15-048-L03-T (Activity Type – Knowledge) 0.1 CEU
1. Explain changes made to Law and Rules which affect Pharmacy Technicians.
  2. Discuss any future rules and regulations which may impact Pharmacy Technicians.
  3. Identify any issues related to the practice of pharmacy.
  4. Describe how Pharmacy Technicians can best use their abilities to keep pharmacy compliant with laws and rules.
- 6:05-7:05 pm **Dr. Brendan Joyce, Pharm D, Administrator, Pharmacy Services:**  
ND Medicaid Update  
0047-9999-15-049-L04-T (Activity Type – Knowledge) 0.1 CEU
1. List the four most common reasons claims deny.
  2. Explain the changes that have happened due to ND Medicaid having a new claims system.
  3. Repeat the DUR Conflict Codes that can be used for early refill overrides.
  4. State the website location for finding information about drug coverage and edits.
- 7:05-7:15 pm Break
- 7:15-8:00 pm **Judy Swisher, RPh:**  
What's Trending in the World of Pharmacy Technicians?  
0047-9999-15-050-L04-T (Activity Type – Knowledge) 0.075 CEU
1. Explain how proposed counseling guidelines will affect pharmacy technician practice.
  2. Discuss reporting near-miss potential errors.
  3. Describe how pharmacist review of hospital first dose affects pharmacy technician practice.
- 8:00-8:45 pm **Judy Swisher, RPh:**  
Third Street Clinic in Grand Forks: A Clinic without Walls  
0047-9999-15-051-L04-T (Activity Type – Knowledge) 0.075 CEU
1. Define walking in someone else's shoes.
  2. Identify the differences between TSC and a traditional clinic setting.
  3. Outline the process of making a non-profit, like Third Street Clinic, the owner of a pharmacy.

## Saturday, October 24, 2015

- 7:45 am Registration table opens  
(Continental breakfast served)
- 7:50 – 8:00 am Welcome
- 8:00 – 9:30 am **Keynote Speaker, Christopher Jerry, President and CEO of the Emily Jerry Foundation:**  
"The Emily Jerry Tragedy to Triumph"-The Pharmacy Technician's Role in Preventing Medication Errors  
0047-9999-15-052-L05-T (Activity Type – Knowledge) 0.15 CEU
1. Discuss the events surrounding the medical error that resulted in Emily Jerry's tragic death in 2006.
  2. Describe the important "lessons learned" from Emily's tragic death.
  3. Identify and discuss the qualities of a safety culture that enhance harm prevention.
  4. Discuss the significance of the Emily Jerry Foundation's National Pharmacy Technician Initiative and Scorecard.
  5. Discuss how the traditional pharmacy technician's job description and "scope of practice", as well as, their overall role in the pharmacy have expanded over the years.
  6. Discuss exactly why there is an inherent need to qualify the core competency of all pharmacy technicians through certification and oversight by individual state boards of pharmacy.
- 9:30 – 10:30 pm **Diane Halvorson, RPhTech, CPhT, Vibra Hospital Pharmacy:**  
Why should I care about communicating positively with my co-workers?  
All they do is complain anyway!  
0047-9999-15-053-L04-T (Activity Type – Application) 0.1 CEU
1. Discuss the importance of communication.
  2. Demonstrate how negative communication can be so infectious.
  3. Discuss how positive communication is directly connected with team work and productivity.

# 2015 Annual *Fall Conference*

10:30-11:30 pm

**Zak Green, CPhT, Partnership Development Coordinator:**

Expanding Roles, Expanding Pharmacy

0047-9999-15-054-L04-T (Activity Type – Knowledge) 0.1 CEU

1. Track the evolution of the pharmacy industry's definition of the pharmacy technician.
2. Describe how the pharmacy technician's responsibilities have expanded in recent history.
3. Recognize how pharmacy organizations are collaborating to support the expanded role of the pharmacy technician.

11:30-12:00 pm

**Barb Lacher, RPhTech, CPhT, Assistant Director/Associate Professor NDSS Pharmacy Technician Program:**

Accreditation? What does this mean to me?

0047-9999-15-055-L04-T (Activity Type - knowledge) 0.05 CEU

1. Explain how the current ASHP Standard was developed.
2. Identify key pieces of the standard that affect how the training is implemented in the module program.
3. Correlate completion of an ASHP accredited program with passage of the PTCB.

12:00- 1:30 pm

Working Lunch/NAPT General Business Meeting

1:30 – 2:30 pm

**Thomas O'Keefe, BSN, MSN, Director of Nursing:**

Advance Care Planning and Palliative Care across the Health Care Continuum

0047-9999-15-056-L04-T (Activity Type - knowledge) 0.1 CEU

1. Define Advance Care Planning.
2. Define Advance Directives.
3. Identify resource for ACP information in North Dakota.
4. Define Palliative Care.
5. Define the role of palliative care in the new health care reality.

2:30 – 2:45 pm

Break

2:45 – 3:45 pm

**Rose Lindsey, RN, Infection Control/Employee Health Coordinator:**

Difference between a clean environment and a germ free environment in the work place

0047-9999-15-057-L04-T (Activity Type - knowledge) 0.1 CEU

1. Describe the difference between cleaning a surface and sterilizing a surface.
2. Discuss the importance of sterilizing your work environment surface areas whether working in a hospital or retail setting.
3. Discuss infections and transmission modes.

3:45 – 5:15 pm

**Sargent Travis Jacobson:**

Drugs and Society

0047-9999-15-058-L04-T (Activity Type – Knowledge) 0.15 CEU

1. Recognize an individual that is under the influence of drugs, alcohol, etc.
2. Identify pieces of drug paraphernalia that drug users use to ingest, manufacture, etc. drugs.
3. Describe new ways that people are getting high and what drugs are popular in our local area.
4. Identify popular drugs used among teens in our area.

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**October 1, 2015**

## Bylaw Updates

The NAPT (Northland Association of Pharmacy Technicians) Executive Board would like to notify its members that during the NAPT General Business Meeting on October 24, 2015, we will discuss and vote on Constitution and Bylaw recommended updates. The NAPT Executive Board feels such changes will enhance the Association and assist in the operations of the NAPT Executive Board. We encourage members of NAPT to attend this meeting and offer your thoughts and input. If you would like a copy of the proposed changes please contact Sharon Kupper at [dkup@wil.midco.net](mailto:dkup@wil.midco.net).

## Registration Form

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

ND Registration number (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to attend the following days (**please circle one**):

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How would you like your confirmation of receipt of registration  
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STUDENT/ND TECH IN TRAINING \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make checks payable to NAPT*

Please detach and send your  
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**NAPT**

**Attention: DaNae Norman**  
**1530 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue South**  
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## CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE I Name, Objectives

- A. This organization shall be known as the Northland Association of Pharmacy Technicians; hereafter referred to as NAPT
1. The NAPT shall be a functioning academy of the North Dakota Pharmacists Association.
  2. Active Members of this NAPT will have full voting rights within this Academy.

B. Objectives

1. To establish and promote a group of recognized, qualified pharmacy technicians.
2. To promote the profession of pharmacy technicians.
3. To establish and promote a closer liaison between pharmacy technicians and other organizations, whose purposes are to improve and maintain high standards of public health and quality patient care.
4. To promote educational programs and provide for interchange of information.
5. To participate in other activities for the advancement of the profession.

### ARTICLE II Membership

The membership of the NAPT shall consist of active, honorary and associate members as provided in the bylaws. Members may continue active membership if they are primarily engaged in the profession of pharmacy.

### ARTICLE III Officers

The officers of the NAPT shall be **Chairperson**, President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. ~~and Immediate Past President.~~

### ARTICLE IV Executive Board

The Executive Board shall be the **Chairperson**, President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, ~~Immediate Past President~~, Parliamentarian and Two Members at Large; hereafter referred to as the Board.

Ex officio members of the Executive Board shall be:

1. The **North Dakota State Board of Pharmacy Technician Board of Pharmacy Member**
2. The Director or Assistant Director of the NDSCS Pharmacy Technician Program
3. NDPhA Executive **Vice President Director**
4. Other members deemed necessary and appointed by the ~~President~~ **Chairperson**

### ARTICLE V Meetings

The officers and the NAPT shall meet at the call of the ~~President~~ **Chairperson**

## BYLAWS

### CHAPTER I MEMBERSHIP

#### ARTICLE I Members

This membership of the NAPT shall consist of individuals interested in the objectives of the NAPT.

A. Active Members

1. Active members shall be pharmacy technicians currently registered as a North Dakota Pharmacy Technician.

B. Honorary Members

Honorary Members may be elected from among individuals who are or have been especially interested in, or who have made outstanding contributions to pharmacy services. Honorary members need not pay dues, but shall receive publications and notices of the NAPT. Honorary members may attend meetings, may be granted the privilege of the floor but may not be entitled to vote or hold an elected office. Honorary members shall be elected by approval of two-thirds (2/3) vote of the NAPT.

C. Associate Members

Associate membership in the NAPT shall consist of supporting members, student members and pharmacists. Associated members shall receive publications and general communications of the NAPT, may attend meetings, may be granted the privilege of the floor, but shall not be entitled to vote or hold an elected office.

1. Supporting members may be individuals other than those who qualify as active members, who by their contribution to pharmacy, make themselves eligible for membership.
2. Student members may be individuals enrolled in approved pharmacy technician programs and pharmacy school.
3. Pharmacist members may be individuals licensed and practicing in the pharmacy setting.

## ARTICLE II Dues

1. Dues of the Active Membership are part of the annual registration fee as set by the North Dakota Board of Pharmacy and shall be distributed to **NAPT**, ~~the North Dakota Pharmacist Association~~.
2. Associate members' dues are to be set by the Executive Board of NAPT as felt to be appropriate amount. Dues are paid to the NAPT.

## ARTICLE III Period of membership

The period of membership shall be twelve months consistent with the NDPhA membership period. Membership in the NAPT and the obligation for payment of dues shall continue unless a member's resignation is received in writing by the NAPT prior to the end of the year late payment of dues, after which membership will be terminated.

## CHAPTER II Duties of Officers and Board Members

### ARTICLE I Installation of Officers

The duly elected officers shall be installed ~~as the first official act~~ **at the next NAPT business meeting**, ~~of new business of the meeting of the NAPT at their first annual meeting.~~ They shall serve until their successors have been elected and installed.

### ARTICLE II Duties of Officers and Board Members

#### A. ~~President~~ **Chairperson**

The ~~President~~ **Chairperson** shall be a member of the NAPT, shall preside at all meetings, and shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for. The ~~President~~ **Chairperson** will serve on the North Dakota Pharmacist Association Board of Directors as the NAPT representative and shall have full voting rights on such board. The ~~President~~ **Chairperson** shall hold office for a term of one year.

#### B. ~~Vice President/President Elect~~ **President**

The ~~Vice President~~ shall be a member of the NAPT and shall perform the duties of the office of ~~President~~ **Chairperson** whenever the ~~President~~ **Chairperson** is unable to do so and shall act as a liaison between all committees and the NAPT. ~~would serve as President Elect.~~ The ~~Vice President/President Elect~~ **President** shall hold office for a term of one year.

#### C. ~~Immediate Past President~~ **Vice-President/President Elect**

The ~~Immediate Past President~~ **Vice-President** shall be a member of the NAPT and shall conduct business in the absence of the ~~Chairperson and President.~~ **Chairperson and President.** ~~shall serve as a resource of experience of old business of the NAPT.~~ The ~~Immediate Past President~~ **Vice-President/President Elect** shall hold office for a term of one year.

#### D. Secretary

The Secretary shall be a member of the NAPT, shall keep the minutes, and shall carefully preserve and file all reports and papers of every description presented to the NAPT with special attention being made to any changes in the Constitution and Bylaws. The Secretary shall hold office for a term of one year.

#### E. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be a member of the NAPT, shall draw up the annual budget to be presented to the NAPT Executive Board and the NDPhA Board of Directors. The Treasurer will work with the NDPhA Executive Vice President to request, procure and disburse funds necessary for the activities of the NAPT. The Treasurer shall hold office for a term of two years.

#### F. Parliamentarian/Historian

The Parliamentarian shall be a member of the NAPT, shall serve as expert on parliamentary procedures rules or debate. This office shall be appointed by the President. The Historian shall keep records, tracking the events and meetings of the NAPT. The Parliamentarian/ Historian shall hold office for a term of one year.

### I. Members at Large (#2)

The Members at Large shall be members of the NAPT, and shall serve as a voice for the general membership. This office shall be appointed by the President or duly elected. The Members at Large shall hold office for a term of one year.

### II. Ex Officio Members

The Ex Officio Members shall be (1) the **ND Board of Pharmacy Technician member** ~~Registered Pharmacy Technician Board of Pharmacy Member~~ and (2) the Program Director or Assistant Director of the NDSCS Pharmacy Technician Program and (3)



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NDPhA Executive ~~Director~~ **Vice President**. These shall be standing ex officio members. Other ex officio members may be appointed as deemed necessary by the ~~President~~ **Chairperson**. The duties of the ex officio members are to communicate with the board regarding all areas of current pharmacy practice and changing pharmacy practice as necessary and to represent the organizations from which they are members.

## III. Duties

In addition, the officers of the NAPT shall perform the duties usually assigned to such person, except as otherwise provided herein.

## ARTICLE III Meetings

The NAPT shall meet at the call of the ~~President~~ **Chairperson**.

## ARTICLE IV Disqualification of Officer

Any officer who does not adequately fulfill the duties of his/her office or committee may be removed from the position by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Executive Board of the NAPT providing that the member has been notified at least ten (10) days prior to the vote of the impending action.

## ARTICLE V Vacancies

- A. The Board is empowered and directed to fill all vacancies in the list of candidates which may occur by death or resignation or for any other reason. The candidate with the most votes of the remaining candidates for that office shall be elected. Should a vacancy occur in the list of officers elect prior to their installation, ~~the Chairperson or President or Vice President~~ **the Chairperson or President** is empowered and directed to fill such vacancy until such time as a duly elected officer is installed.
- B. If the ~~President~~ **Chairperson** shall become unable to perform the duties of his/her office the ~~Vice President~~ **President** shall become Pro-Tempore. The nominating committee shall present candidates for election at the next meeting of the Board to serve for the remaining portion of the unexpired term.
- C. If the **President**, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer becomes unable to perform the duties of the office, the Board is empowered and directed to fill such position. The nominating committee shall present candidates for election at the next meeting of the Board to serve the remaining portion of the unexpired term.

## ARTICLE VI Responsibilities

Duly elected officers shall represent the NAPT as the official voice. Officers shall have charge of the property of the NAPT, shall have authority to control and manage the affairs and funds of the NAPT, shall supervise all publication, and shall make decisions regarding the acts of committees. Officers shall act on professional policy matters, on administrative, fiscal and other matters and shall also have authority to accept, on behalf of the NAPT; grants, contributions, gifts, and bequests.

## ARTICLE VII Nominations

Nominations shall be made yearly for all expired terms.

## ARTICLE VIII Approval of Bylaws

Approval of Bylaws will take place at ~~the first annual meeting~~ **a NAPT General Membership. Business Meeting**. If the Bylaws are approved they shall fall into effect immediately.

- A. The current officers of the NAPT shall continue to operate the NAPT under the Constitution and Bylaws.
- B. Any reference to budgets in the Constitution and Bylaws shall go into effect immediately.

## CHAPTER III Committees

Committees shall be designated by the ~~President~~ **Chairperson** of the NAPT as deemed necessary. All committees will report directly to the ~~Vice President~~ **President** prior to or at each meeting.

- A. ~~NDPhA ND Annual Pharmacy~~ **Convention** Committee  
~~The NDPhA Convention Committee shall serve as a representative of the NAPT, on the planning committee~~ **A member of NAPT shall serve as a representative of NAPT on the planning committee of the NDPhA ND Annual State Pharmacy Convention.**
- B. NAPT Fall Conference Committee  
The Fall Conference Committee shall arrange the programs, solicit papers and speakers and prepare suitable subjects for discussion at the Annual NAPT Fall Conference presented by the NAPT. The committee shall consist of a Chairperson and as many members as deemed necessary. The committee shall utilize the guidelines in the NAPT Procedure/Guideline manual.

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## C. Committee on Organization Affairs

The committee on Organizational Affairs shall be responsible for encouragement of NAPT membership, development of NAPT services, evaluation of NAPT activities and for review of the Constitution and Bylaws. The Committee shall consist of a chairperson and as many members as deemed necessary.

## D. Communication Committee

The Communications Committee shall publicize the activities of the NAPT through appropriate media and disseminate information to the Pharmacy Technicians and allied professions. The Committee shall consist of a Chairperson and as many members as deemed necessary.

## E. Committee of Finance

The Committee of Finance shall consist of four(4) members:

**Chairperson**, President, ~~Vice President~~, Secretary and Treasurer. The Treasurer shall serve as Chairperson. The Committee of Finance shall establish an operating bank account in the name of the NAPT, maintain a general ledger which shall individually record the financial details of the NAPT activities. The Committee of Finance shall prepare a budget for the succeeding fiscal year and submit it to the NAPT for approval before the beginning of the fiscal year.

## F. Nominating Committee

Shall be appointed by the President ~~Elect~~.

## G. Advisory Committee to the North Dakota Board of Pharmacy

The Advisory Committee to the Board of Pharmacy shall consist of the **Chairperson**, President, **and** Vice President ~~and Immediate Past President~~ of NAPT. The **Chairperson** ~~President~~ of NAPT shall serve as Chairperson and the committee will meet as deemed necessary.

## CHAPTER IV *Amendment of Bylaws*

Every proposition to alter or amend these Bylaws shall be submitted in writing to the elected officers, it shall be discussed and refined by the officers who shall submit it at the next meeting. The proposition must be approved by two-thirds (2/3) active members in attendance at such meeting.

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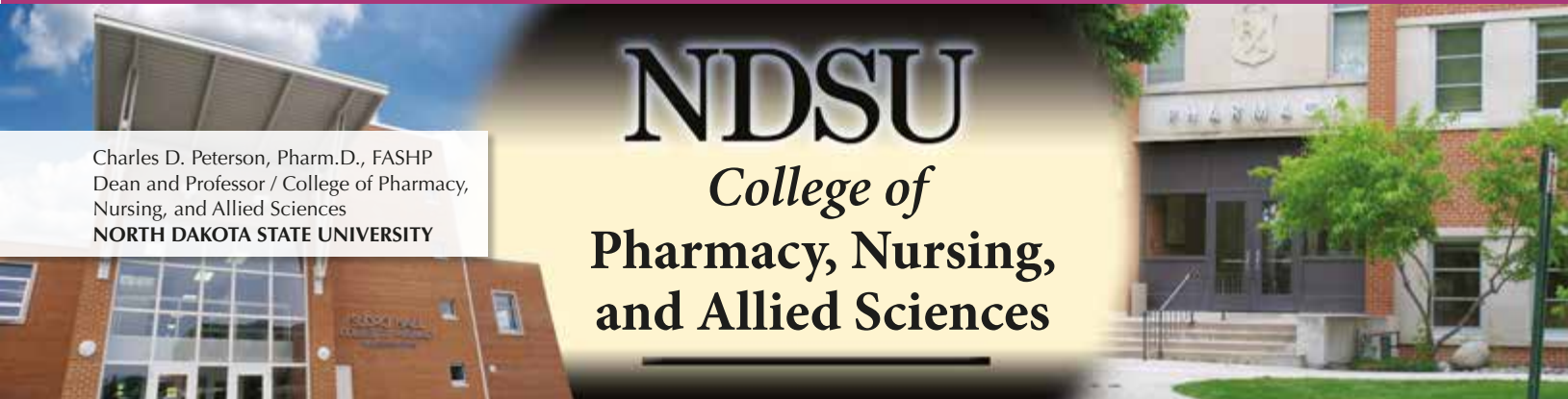


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### What Do I Need for Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances?

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The Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) issued a rule change in 2010 allowing for electronic prescribing of controlled substances.<sup>1</sup> North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) also allows for computer transmission of all prescriptions, including controlled substances in schedules II-V.<sup>2</sup> However, both require specific electronic signatures. These electronic signatures are obtained by the prescriber via application to the DEA. But that is not the only requirement for receiving and dispensing the controlled prescriptions. Pharmacies also have a responsibility to make sure their software is capable of monitoring the prescription, any changes made to it, and the verification of the prescriber's signature. All of this can be done by a third-party provider who will also perform annual audits of authorized prescribers to ensure that only those granted access to the system are doing so.<sup>3</sup> Thus, it is a process to be sure that all the appropriate bases are covered before allowing transmission of controlled substance prescriptions.

The prescriber will be using two-factor authentication. This is similar to an ATM machine's requirements. The individual trying to use the ATM needs to know an identification number and have a bank card in order to access any information.<sup>4</sup> The same will be true for transmitting a controlled substance prescription. This is to create a more secure network and avoid unauthorized individuals from accessing the system. The thought is, since there is no handwriting or verbal communication that may help identify if an imposter is present, this would help deter diversion instead.<sup>4</sup> To obtain both factors of the authentication, there is a process involving a credential service provider or a certification authority that meets specific requirements.<sup>3</sup>

After prescribers obtain authorization to send controlled substances via electronic prescription, the third-party provider audits them. The audit on authorized prescribers must be conducted annually by a qualified individual.<sup>5</sup> In this case, a qualified individual is one who would also be qualified to conduct specific audits such as SysTrust, WebTrust, or SAS 70 audit. This requirement may slow the process as they obtain these accreditations if they don't already have them. The third-party providers also look at the software of each pharmacy to make sure they meet all the requirements set forth to properly import, store, and display the information as well as verify prescribers.<sup>3</sup> Both of these are major steps and take time to process.

While the third-party provider is doing most of the work for the pharmacy to ensure that their software is capable and up to date, the pharmacy may help to set controls to limit access to prescription information so that it cannot be changed.<sup>3</sup> After electronic prescriptions for controlled substances are capable of being received, a pharmacy still maintains all the same responsibilities required of written or

oral controlled substance prescriptions. This includes making sure all information is present on the prescription and the medication is appropriate for the patient.<sup>5</sup>

Being able to utilize electronic prescribing for controlled substances is a process. There are many factors involved to ensure that the appropriate people have access to the system and that pharmacies have the ability to verify this information. A lot of the process relies on the individual prescriber and the third-party providers. However, pharmacies will still ultimately hold the key to insuring the right medication is reaching the right patient.

Currently, there are a few prescribers and pharmacies authorized to transmit and receive electronic controlled substance prescriptions in North Dakota. We envision many more being approved in the next year, which has prompted many questions to our office. As always, it is important to verify the integrity of a controlled substance prescription with the prescriber should there be any questions or concerns.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact the North Dakota Board of Pharmacy office.

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