

Practice Innovation Award

Guidelines

The ASCP Foundation's Practice Innovation Award is a competition to recognize and promote the accomplishments of individuals and organizations that demonstrate innovation in senior care pharmacy. The Practice Innovation Award will be presented at ASCP's Annual Meeting, and will include a plaque and \$5,000 cash award.

Goals

The goals of this award are to:

- Highlight successful innovative practice models that demonstrate improvements in patient safety, quality of care, medication therapy management, collaborative practice, or service delivery; and
- Disseminate the results of these innovative practice models in order to foster replication or adaptation in other settings.

Criteria

The nominated program or project must:

- have already been implemented and evaluated;
- address a clearly defined problem;
- have specific and measurable outcomes;
- provide a significant improvement in the process by which service is delivered or in patient outcomes;
- exemplify innovation by demonstrating a new or creative approach;

- be capable of replication or adaptation by other organizations.

Applications addressing a wide range of areas are welcome.

Eligibility

The submitter must be an Active member of ASCP in good standing.

Requirements

The winner will be expected to attend the 2010 ASCP Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL, November 10-13, where they will receive the award, present a poster of the successful implementation of their program, and participate in the "This Works for Me" roundtable session. A description of the winning program will be published in print and on the ASCP and ASCP Foundation web sites. All applications for the Practice Innovation Award become the property of the ASCP Foundation.

Selection Criteria

Applications will be evaluated based on the following:

- Exemplifies innovation;
- Measurable outcomes;
- Demonstrates improvement;
- Serves as a model that can be replicated or adapted by other organizations.

Only electronic submissions will be accepted.

The completed and signed **Application Form** and **Program Description** must be submitted electronically no later than **August 2, 2010**. Email to: Janice L. Feinberg, PharmD, JD at jfeinberg@ascp.com. Enter Practice Innovation Award in the Subject Line.

Selection Criteria

Applications for the Practice Innovation Award will be evaluated using the criteria listed below. Each selection criteria is worth a maximum of 10 points.

INNOVATION STATEMENT

- This innovative practice is unique, or one of only a few. If others are trying to do the same thing, this program is the first to succeed in that context. The program is being done better or more strategically than others.
- It is new, or a new application of an existing system, process, or practice (including technology) that creates value and improves performance or outcomes.
- It is a successful pilot project that can be replicated elsewhere, or provide lessons for other organizations.
- It is replicable elsewhere for dealing with similar problems under similar conditions and circumstances.
- It involves the implementation of effective organizational change, the translation of new ideas into practice, or the harnessing of new technology to improve service delivery or outcomes.
- It represents a new and creative approach to dealing with problems or issues?
- It provides a significant improvement in the process by which a pharmacy service is delivered.
- It introduces a substantially new technology or service concept to the delivery of pharmacy services.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

The problem that the innovative practice addressed is clearly and adequately described, including:

- How the problem was identified.
- How the problem presented itself.
- Who was experiencing the problem.
- What had been done in the past to resolve the problem.
- Measures used to establish the baseline scope or magnitude of the problem.

ADDRESSING THE PROBLEM

The steps/procedures taken to address the problem are clearly and adequately described, including:

- What the organization/individual did.
- How long it took.
- What costs were involved, including personnel.

ADDRESSING THE PROBLEM (cont'd)

- Who else was involved (e.g., co-workers, patients, families, other health professionals).
- What alternatives were considered.
- What criteria were used to choose the program implemented.
- What barriers were encountered and how they were overcome.

OUTCOMES

The outcomes, benefits, and/or changes resulting from the innovative practice are clearly and adequately described, including:

- How it was determined that the innovative practice made a difference (e.g., baseline data and/or a description of the situation/problem before the program compared to the outcome).
- The measures used to determine the outcomes, benefits, and/or changes.
- Whether the innovative practice resulted in lasting and consistent improvements over time.
- How the program was received by co-workers, patients, families, or others who participated in or were impacted by the program.
- If the innovative practice created or identified additional problems that needed attention.
- Other factors that contributed to the success of the program.

LESSONS LEARNED

The lessons learned from the development of the innovative practice are clearly and adequately described, including:

- What would be done the same, and why.
- What would be done differently, and why.
- How the program was publicized or recognized in the community.

SUSTAINABILITY

- The plans for continuation or expansion of the program are described.
- It is likely that the innovative practice could be replicated or adapted in other organizations or settings.
- There are recommendations provided for others who might want to implement this innovative practice.

Program Description

The following narrative responses with the Application Form must be emailed to jfeinberg@ascp.com no later than **August 2, 2010**. The Program Description should not exceed 10 pages, double-spaced, with one-inch margins, using 12-point font. Bullet points instead of narrative text are acceptable.

Each section should be labeled with the section number and title.

Indicate Submitter Name and Program Title

- 1. Innovation Statement** (Maximum 50 words)
 - Briefly state how the program described is innovative. For the purposes of this award, innovation is defined as people using new knowledge and understanding to experiment with new possibilities in order to implement new concepts that create new value.

- 2. Problem Statement**
 - Briefly describe the problem or situation that your innovative practice addressed.
 - Include measures used to establish the baseline scope or magnitude of the problem/situation.

- 3. Addressing the Problem**
 - Describe the steps/procedures taken to address the problem.
 - What did you/your organization do?
 - How long did it take?
 - What costs were involved, including personnel?
 - Who else was involved? (e.g., co-workers, patients, families, other health professionals, etc.)
 - What alternatives did you consider?
 - What criteria led you to choose the program implemented?
 - What barriers did you encounter and how were they overcome?

- 4. Outcomes**
 - Describe the outcomes, benefits, and/or changes resulting from the innovative practice, including the measures used to determine the impact.
 - How did you know that your innovative practice made a difference? Include baseline data and/or a description of the situation/problem before the program and compare that to the outcomes.
 - Did the innovative practice result in lasting and consistent improvements over time?
 - How was the program received by co-workers, patients, families, or others who participated in or were impacted by the program?
 - Did the innovative practice create or identify additional problems that needed attention?
 - What other factors contribute to the success of the program?

- 5. Lessons Learned**
 - What did you learn from the development of this innovative practice?
 - What would you do the same? Why?
 - What would you do differently? Why?
 - How was this program publicized or recognized in the community?

- 6. Sustainability**
 - What are the plans for continuation or expansion of this program?
 - How likely is it that this innovative practice could be replicated or adapted in other organizations or settings? Are there practice settings where it would not work?
 - What would you recommend to others who want to implement this innovative practice?

Practice Innovation Award Application Form

Enter all information in fields provided. Print completed form, sign and scan. The completed and signed **Application Form** and **Program Description** must be submitted electronically no later than **August 2, 2010**. Email to: Janice L. Feinberg, PharmD, JD at jfeinberg@ascp.com. Enter Practice Innovation Award in the Subject Line.

1. Submitter Information (Primary contact person for the award)

Name	Title	
Organization Name		
Mailing Address		
City/State/Zip		
Telephone	Fax	E-Mail Address

2. Submitter/Organization Agreement

The following should be read and signed by the submitter and the submitter's employer (if applicable) confirming support for the application. Winners are expected to attend the 2010 ASCP Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL, November 10-13, where they will receive the award, present a poster of the successful implementation of their program, and participate in the "This Works for Me" roundtable session. All applications for the Practice Innovation Award become the property of the ASCP Foundation. Descriptions of winning efforts will be published and may be used for promotional purposes for the awards program.

I agree to the terms of this award and certify that the information in this application is accurate.

Submitter's Signature	Date
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Employer's Signature	Title	Date
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3. Demographics

Organization/Practice Environment

- Long-term Care Pharmacy
- Community Pharmacy
- Senior Care Pharmacy Practice
- Other (specify) _____

Total # Patients Served _____

Indicate %: Urban _____
 Suburban _____ Rural _____
 White _____ Black _____ Hispanic _____
 Asian/Pacific Islander _____
 American Indian/Eskimo/Aleut _____