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KSHP BLUEGRASS BUZZ

KSHP Mission

To assist KSHP members in the provision of pharmaceutical care in organized health care settings throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Advocacy News – KY BOP President Tours Owensboro Health Regional Hospital



On July 8th, the Kentucky Society of Health-System Pharmacists and Owensboro Health Regional Hospital welcomed Meredith Figg, President of the Kentucky Board of Pharmacy, for a tour. KSHP is very appreciative of President Figg's time visiting with our friends in Owensboro to see the pharmacy operations at a health system. KSHP President-elect Stacy Taylor and Jared Cole, Pharmacy Operations Manager at Owensboro Health, showcased the robotics and other technology utilized in a health system.

Pictured above left to right are Stacy Taylor (KSHP President-elect), Meredith Figg (KY Board of Pharmacy President), Jeff McKeever (Senior Manager of Outpatient Pharmacies; Owensboro Health), Gilbert Mischel (Director of Government Affairs; Owensboro Health) and Corey Elder (KSHP Government Affairs).

Advocacy News – Kentucky Medicaid Proposes Pharmacist Payment Changes



Following the passage of House Bill 3, Kentucky Medicaid's proposed plan to reimburse pharmacist services is expected to take effect February 1, 2027.

Kentucky must submit the State Plan Amendment to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for review and approval. Credentialing and other implementation questions are expected to be addressed over the next several months as Kentucky and CMS work through the amendment process. For more information, please click HERE.

KSHP Award Nominations



Nominations are now being accepted for the 12 KSHP awards, two officer positions (President-Elect and Secretary), three board director positions and two house of delegate positions! Nominations are open July 1st, 2026 through July 29th, 2026. Consider nominating a KSHP member pharmacist, technician, resident and/or pharmacy service to be reviewed. See the email sent on July 1st, 2026 for specifics on award details, officer positions and responsibilities. If you have any questions, reach out to the Awards and Nominations Committee Chairs at awards@kshp.org.

KSHP Lunch and Learn – Managing Depression in MDD (Adjunctive) and Bipolar I Patients



Join us on Thursday, July 23rd, 2026 from 12:00-1:00PM for a **Lunch & Learn** sponsored by Abbvie discussing options for managing depression in MDD as adjunctive therapy and bipolar I patients. Register **TODAY** and save yourself a seat on Zoom!

SAVE THE DATE – KSHP Fall Meeting



The **KSHP Fall Meeting** will take place October 8-9, 2026 at the Hyatt Regency Downtown in Lexington, Kentucky. Hold space on your calendar for our exciting two day event this fall in Lexington, KY. We look forward to seeing you there!

Committee Spotlight – Pharmacy Practice



KSHP currently has eight committees and one subcommittee that help keep the organization running smoothly. This month we highlight our pharmacy practice committee who is responsible for supporting the strategic initiatives of KSHP through development of resources intended to provide ongoing support for the advancement of pharmacy practice. This committee helps assist in the development and implementation of action plans for designated strategic initiatives of the society. If you are interested in joining the committee, please complete the KSHP volunteer form HERE or reach out with any questions to the committee co-chairs Dr. Logan Roberts (logan.roberts@uoflhealth.org) or Dr. Kaylee Meador (kayleenmeador@gmail.com).

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