

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Semi-Annual Meeting
26 May 2010
Apothecary Hall
488 Water Street

It is my pleasure to provide a brief overview of the activities that CSHP Newfoundland and Labrador Branch have been involved with since our AGM in October 2009.

Committee Composition:

Current Executive Committee members:

- President: Ashley Layden
- Delegate: Tiffany Fahey
- Treasurer: Justin Peddle
- Secretary: Amy Conway
- Past President: Leslie Phillips
- Senior Advisor: Lisa Bishop
- Student rep: Ava Hiltz (outgoing), Alyssa Hewitt (incoming)
- National Advocacy Liaison: Debbie Kelly

The Branch is currently requesting nominations for the position of Secretary (2010-12) and President Elect (2010-2014 Presidential term). I encourage you all to take this opportunity to get involved and consider putting your name forward for nomination. Participating in CSHP is a great way to improve your profession and your Branch.

Subcommittee Composition:

- Membership – Tiffany Fahey
- Awards – Barbara Thomas
- Newsletter- Rebecca Tobin
- Website: Dave Smith
- Joint CE: Branch has not yet replaced this position

Thanks to all of you for your continued service and commitment to the Branch.

Student Initiatives:

Our Branch recognizes the importance of partnering with the student body and we continue to participate in several student initiatives. As in previous years, we held our Student Welcoming session and the CAPSI/CSHP Student Symposium in the fall. We also offered a Residency Information Session to all students in March. This year we, again, coordinated the job-shadowing program for all pharmacy students. Seventeen students participated and had the opportunity to shadow a hospital pharmacist for half a day in a particular clinical area. This program would not be possible without the support of Eastern Health Pharmacy Services. Thank you to all the preceptors for volunteering your time.



Operational Funding:

Our executive committee continues to work to secure financial stability. CSHP national no longer provides funding to individual Branches for membership initiatives and this year membership fees will also increase by 10%. In efforts to recover some lost funding, the Branch has have approached other industry partners requesting sponsorship. After explaining our financial situation and recent loss of funding, we received a \$2000 donation from Astrazeneca to support membership in 2010 which we hope will become an annual contribution. We have also received financial support from PPC and Apotex for our upcoming joint professional development day in June 2010.

National and Regional Activities and Collaborations:

This year our executive committee has been active in organizing continuing education opportunities for our members. In November, 2009, Dr. Scott Edwards and Dr. John Hawboldt led a CSHP research workshop entitled "Using Clinical Research in Your Daily Practice". The event was well attended and we thank Dr. Edwards and Dr. Hawboldt for delivering this presentation.

Since our AGM, the NL CSHP Branch has been planning a professional development day in conjunction with the Newfoundland and Labrador Pharmacy Board to be held on June 12, 2010. Our goal is to expand the educational opportunities we offer to our members and, ultimately, we aspire to make this an annual event. We are very excited about this endeavor and hope you will attend.

In other news, we are excited and honored to be hosting the National CSHP 2014 Summer Educational Session. Each summer CSHP partners with a provincial Branch to organize the SES (previously known as AGM). We are currently seeking co-chairs for the event. We have one confirmed co-chair and encourage other members to express their interest and become involved with the planning committee.

On a national level, we are very excited about CSHP's new advocacy campaign about pharmacist prescribing. The launch date of this campaign is May, 2010 and it will be directed towards hospital administrators and provincial and territorial governments. The purpose of this campaign is to increase the awareness about the importance of supporting and enabling prescribing by pharmacists. The National Advocacy Committee is relying on individual branches to help promote the campaign and help identify potential barriers preventing this campaign from moving forward in our respective provinces.

In closing, I would encourage you all to renew your membership with CSHP and to take the opportunity to get involved in any way you can. The executive committee is always open to questions and comments, please feel free to voice our opinions and concerns.



The Branch continues to be very active on your behalf. The following tables summarize some of its main activities and sources of funding:

Table 1: ANNUAL BRANCH ACTIVITIES:

ACTIVITY	COMMENTS	DATE
Student Welcoming Session	Student member recruitment initiative All pharmacy students invited	Held in September
Job Shadowing Program	Open to all CSHP student members Students accompany clinical pharmacist for ½ day job shadowing	Takes place throughout the Fall semester
Joint CAPSI-CSHP Student Symposium	Open to all second & 3 rd year pharmacy students. Information & discussion period on hospital pharmacy careers Students receive free CD copy of DPC Module	Takes place during Fall semester – usually in October
Residency Information Session	Open to all pharmacy students Provides information on Hospital Residency Programs	Takes place during Winter semester
Book Drive	Membership initiative – provides a complementary reference text to new/renewing members; Rx Files for student members.	During Membership Renewal season
Awards	⇒ Alf Dawe Distinguished Service Award (Sandoz) ⇒ Leadership In Pharmacy Practice Award (Sandoz) ⇒ Clinical Clerkship Excellence Award ⇒ Travel Grants (PPC & AGM)	⇒ Awarded at AGM ⇒ Awarded at AGM ⇒ Awarded at Student Graduation Dinner –May ⇒ See Table 2:Branch Funding
Branch Out Newsletter	Highlights of Branch Activities, etc.	Published 2-3 times per yr.
Continuing Education Initiatives	⇒ Research Workshop “ Using Clinical Research in your Daily Practice” ⇒ CSHP-NLPB Joint CPE Day	⇒ Nov 2009. Dr. John Hawbodt and Dr.Scott Edwards ⇒ June 12, 2010
National Advocacy Initiatives	⇒ Appointment of Debbie Kelly as the Branch’s representative on National’s Advocacy Committee ⇒ Patient Safety Campaign ⇒ Pharmacist Prescribing Campaign	⇒ Effective Jan 2009-present ⇒ Spring 2009 ⇒ Spring 2010



Table 2: BRANCH FUNDING as of MAY 2010:

GRANT SOURCE	AMOUNT	ALLOCATION	STATUS	COMMENT
Sandoz	\$2000	\$500 Membership \$1500 Awards	Active	Annual contribution upon request
National	\$1000	Membership	CANCELLED	No longer provided as of 2010
PANL	≤ \$5000	Executive travel to MTCM (Delegate) and to AGM (President & Delegate)	Active	Annual - Upon receipt of travel claim forms Shortfall of funds anticipated: Delegate MTCM travel "equalized" between Branches ~\$700 Delegate AGM travel "equalized" between Branches ~\$2500 President AGM travel depends on location ~\$1500-2000
Pharm Part Can (PPC)	\$2000	PPC Travel Award	Active	Annual –distributed through National
Bayer	\$1500	AGM Travel Award	Cancelled	
Apotex	\$2000	PPC Travel Award	Cancelled	
Mylan	\$1500	AGM Travel Award	Active	
Apotex	\$5000	Membership Book Drive	Cancelled	Exploring other funding opportunities
Astrazeneca	\$2000	Membership	2010 only	Requested Annual
Apotex	\$1500	Joint CPE Day	One time only	
PPC	\$500	Joint CPE Day	One time only	

I look forward to seeing you all at our Branch AGM during the PANL conference in St. John's September, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Layden,
 President, NL- Branch

