AMCP Student Chapters and Members – Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Below are frequently asked questions pertaining to Student Pharmacist members and chapters. If you have additional questions not answered below, please email the Manager of Pharmacy Affairs and New Practitioner Programs.

Student Chapter Operations

- Are there any resources available for our chapter to learn about Student Pharmacist Chapter operations?
  - Yes! Our Student Pharmacist Chapter Operations Manual is an all-in-one resource for all of your chapter operational needs!

- Our AMCP Executive board is transitioning to a new board for the upcoming academic year. Where can we find more information about how to transition?
  - Complete your updated chapter officer form by Friday, June 15th. For additional questions, contact the Manager of Pharmacy Affairs and New Practitioner Programs (studentdevelopment@AMCP.org)

- How do you submit membership as a chapter?
  - Follow the instructions listed here: Submitting a Group Membership

- How can I contact other chapter’s Presidents if I want to do a collaborative event?
  - Access our AMCP Chapter Contacts page here: (Must be logged in) http://www.amcp.org/DynamicStudents.aspx?id=15104

- Who can we contact if our chapter has any questions or need assistance?
  - Each chapter is assigned 1 SPC member as their contact throughout the whole academic year. You may reach out to your SPC contact for any questions pertaining to AMCP and its committees, if we are unable to answer your question, we will most certainly help direct your questions to the appropriate contacts.
  - Additionally, see below for information regarding your chapter’s AMCP Diplomat.

- How and when do we find out the assigned SPC member?
  - During the start of the academic year, your chapter should expect an email from a member of the Student Pharmacists Committee (SPC). Chapters must ensure that their executive leadership information is updated, this information can be updated at: http://www.amcp.org/ChapterOfficer/.

- Who is our AMCP Diplomat? How can we reach them?
  - Most chapters have an AMCP Diplomat who serves as a resource for student pharmacists and faculty. Diplomats are pharmacist currently practicing in managed care pharmacy. Your diplomat should be able to assist with any speaking engagements for your chapter, any managed care questions or may refer you to an AMCP staff member or Co-Diplomat which can further assist.
  - If you have not yet contacted your diplomat, please reach out to him/her (emails found in link below) to facilitate AMCP support.
You can identify your chapter’s diplomat at: https://members.amcp.org/LeadershipDetail?Code=DIPLOMATS&GroupID=COMMITTEE/DIPLOMATS

i. AMCP login details are required in order to access this site.

o If you have additional questions or if your chapter does not yet have a diplomat, contact our Manager of Pharmacy Affairs and New Practitioner Programs at: studentdevelopment@AMCP.org

- My school doesn’t have an AMCP Chapter! Who can we reach out to if we are interested in finding out more about AMCP Chapters, how to start one and what the process entails?

  o AMCP gathers a list of schools of pharmacy who currently do not have an active AMCP Student Chapter. A member of the SPC is assigned to these schools per academic year and should expect an email from their assigned SPC member during the start of the academic year. Schools are encouraged to reach out to their assigned SPC member for any questions or inquiries about AMCP as well as for assistance on starting a new AMCP Student Chapter.

  o Steps needed to activate your AMCP Chapter, click here.

  o Not sure who your SPC contact is and have additional questions about starting a new chapter? Contact us at studentdevelopment@AMCP.org

Student Chapter General Information

- Where can I find out general information about Student Pharmacist Chapters?
  o A wide variety of resources are available within the Student Pharmacist Chapters page at: http://www.amcp.org/chapters/

- What resources does AMCP provide for student chapters?
  o AMCP provides guides and ideas for student chapter projects and events in the Project Toolkits section at: http://amcp.org/CLAtoolkits/ -- this is a great resource for old and new chapters looking for event ideas.

  o Need help with recruitment or just want to learn more about the benefits of being a Student Pharmacist member of AMCP? Email us at studentdevelopment@amcp.org to access our Student Membership slide deck template!

- Where can we find more information on the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Competition?
  o Information on the P&T Competition is available through the AMCP Foundation’s website: http://www.amcp.org/amcp-foundation/PT/

- What chapter awards can we submit for?
  o Chapter of the Year: http://www.amcp.org/chapter_award/
  o Chapter Member of the Year: http://www.amcp.org/ChapterMemberAward/

- Where can we find ideas for chapter events?
  o Some examples of Student Chapter events have been highlighted at our Chapter Leadership Academy, which is held annually at the Annual Meeting: http://www.amcp.org/CLAtoolkits/
Additionally, individual chapters’ successes are shared through our Chapter Spotlight, available at: http://www.amcp.org/chapterspotlight/

Student Member Information (misc.)

- What perks are included with a student membership?
  - AMCP offers student **APPE rotations**, internships, and a residency and fellowship **directory**.
  - You can stay current on pertinent pharmacy topics with AMCP Daily Dose, AMCP News & Views, **Student Newsletters**, and AMCP Legislative/Regulatory Briefing.
  - You have access to **student-aimed webinars** and tools to help you succeed. Click **here** to check them out.
  - AMCP facilitates events at national meetings to help you **expand your network** with other students and managed care professionals.
  - AMCP **offers graduation cords** to outstanding student pharmacists. For more information, **click here**.
  - Access to our **Student Toolkit** to find out more information about AMCP membership, **click here**.

- How can I keep up to date with AMCP? Are there any ways to engage other AMCP members?
  a. Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/AMCPFan/
  b. LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/99760
  c. Twitter: https://www.twitter.com/amcporg
  d. Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/amcporg

- Where can I find general information about managed care pharmacy?
  - To learn more about general managed care principles, visit our Concepts in Managed Care Pharmacy webpage here: http://www.amcp.org/ConceptsInManagedCarePharmacy/
  - For information on career pathways available within managed care pharmacy, visit our Careers in Managed Care Pharmacy webpage: http://www.amcp.org/studentcentercareers/
  - Check out our Managed Care Pharmacy Curriculum to learn more about our **personalized course** designed to help teach students like you about Managed Care Pharmacy!

- I want to get involved with AMCP beyond my local chapter. What opportunities are available?
  - The AMCP Student Pharmacist Committee is a unique opportunity available to student pharmacists to contribute to the Academy’s policies and programs that impact student pharmacists. We invite you to apply for a position at: http://www.amcp.org/committee/
    - Note: the deadline to apply for SPC generally falls around November of each year, with appointments being made by the following January or February.
The AMCP Foundation offers Managed Care Internships. Find out more: http://www.amcp.org/internships/

National Meetings

- **How many National Meetings are there and how do I know when they are?**
  - AMCP hosts two conferences each year: *AMCP Managed Care and Specialty Pharmacy Annual* and *AMCP Nexus*
  - *AMCP Nexus* is typically held around October (this meeting includes the *(AMCP Residency and Fellowship Showcase)* and *AMCP Annual* is held in the spring.
  - Previous examples of locations include Orlando, FL, National Harbor, MD, Grapevine TX, Denver, CO, Boston, MA, and San Diego, CA.
  - Locations and Dates are available at: http://www.amcp.org/calendar

- **How do I register for a National Meeting?**
  - Registration for national meetings can be found at the AMCP conference website: https://www.amcpmeetings.org/

- **As a first-time attendee, what items should I bring to the conference?**
  - Recommended items include: business cards, CVs, professional attire, portable phone charger, notepad, and pen.

- **Are there sessions and/or events for students?**
  - Students are open to attend all of the education sessions, however AMCP offers student focused sessions and social events for student pharmacists to connect from year to year! (e.g., Student Connect, Student Happy Hour, Managed Care Pharmacy Trivia, etc.)

- **Can I present a poster?**
  - Yes! Student posters are highly encouraged, and presenting at a national conference as a student is a great experience.
  - As long as you are a national member, you will receive an email when abstract submissions are open. Typically, they are open for the next conference after a conference concludes.

- **What if I don’t know anyone else attending the meetings?**
  - At each meeting, there are many student events set up to help students and new practitioners get to know one another.
  - At each conference, AMCP typically hosts a New Attendee Breakfast, where students and professionals are invited to network and share breakfast together!
  - Additionally, almost every AMCP chapter has a Diplomat, and he/she should be able to give you advice regarding the national meetings. Information regarding chapter diplomats can be found here: http://members.amcp.org/LeadershipDetail?Code=DIPLOMATS&GroupId=COMMITTEE/DIPLOMATS
  - There is also the conference buddy program – see the below FAQ for more information.

- **What is the Conference Buddy Program?**
This popular mentoring program is designed to increase visibility and awareness of managed care pharmacy. It matches 3rd or 4th year student pharmacists or new practitioners with a managed care professional. This pairing meets informally during the meetings to discuss the managed care pharmacy industry, pathways to managed care pharmacy careers, and AMCP resources available to help student pharmacists and new practitioners.

AMCP’s Chapter Collab

- What is the Chapter Collab?
  o Chapter Collab is chapter mentorship initiative designed and implemented by the SPC to provide a platform for various AMCP Chapters from various Schools of Pharmacy to collaborate, exchange ideas and network with students from AMCP Chapters across the country.

- How does this program work? What are the benefits of this program?
  o Participating chapters are matched with another chapter from a different school based on their preferences and are assigned an SPC member to oversee and assist with communication and coordination between the 2 chapters.
  o Participating chapters are encouraged to exchange recruitment and fundraising ideas. The information exchanged between participating chapters is not limited and is up to each chapter’s discretion.

- How can we participate?
  o An interest survey is sent to all AMCP Student Chapters during the spring semester. Paired chapters are then notified by their assigned SPC member during the start of the academic year.