Preceptor Spotlight: Farnaz Heidari, PharmD
Pharmacy Manager at Rite Aid Pharmacy, Specialty: Community Pharmacy
Training: PharmD from Wingate University School of Pharmacy in Wingate, NC

SSPPS: How do you benefit from precepting pharmacy students?
Farnaz: During my pharmacy education, I learned the most during my practical rotations and I have very fond memories of many of my preceptors who helped me along the way. I enjoy the act of teaching and passing my experience and knowledge to these bright future pharmacists. It also helps me to stay on my toes and keep current.

SSPPS: What challenges do you see in precepting pharmacy students?
Farnaz: The biggest challenge for me is time. I usually have two weeks with a student, which is not nearly enough time to follow a structured curriculum or complete certain projects.

SSPPS: How do you structure a rotation to promote successful student outcomes?
Farnaz: On the first day of the rotation, I usually ask my students what their personal objectives are and we design their activities based on their goals. I believe this rotation is a great opportunity to exercise your practical knowledge and practice your communication skills with patients, staff and other healthcare providers. Therefore, my goal is to expose my students to as many of these opportunities as possible.

SSPPS: What advice would you give to a new preceptor of pharmacy students?
Farnaz: Precept as many students as you possibly can, keep it interactive and enjoy your time. Remember you’re not only helping these students meet their required hours, most importantly you’re helping these future pharmacists by passing on your personal experiences to them.

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

SSPPS Preceptor Development Committee: If you are interested in helping to steward the Preceptor Development Committee, please contact James Colbert, Associate Dean for Experiential Education, jcolbert@ucsd.edu.

SSPPS Rotation Fair: The Rotation Fair will be held on Wednesday, January 27th from 12:00pm – 2:00pm at Skaggs School of Pharmacy. Invitations to attend were sent out last year. If you did not receive an invitation and are interested in attending, please contact Lisa Avery lavery@ucsd.edu for details.

Transitions and Achievements
Cheers to new phases!

- Dr. Gale Romanowski, Board Certification in Pediatrics
- Dr. David Truong, President, SDCPHA
- Dr. Catherine Ubaldo, Site Leader, Naval Medical Center San Diego
- Dr. Lina Delosreyes, Site Leader, Kaiser Permanente San Diego Mission Road
2016-2017 IPPEs and APPEs

Requests for availability have been sent out for the upcoming Summer IPPEs and 2016-2017 APPEs. Please be sure to provide your availability to the Office of Experiential Education (Lisa Avery lavery@ucsd.edu for APPEs and Amber Berean aberean@ucsd.edu for IPPEs) as soon as possible. If you did not receive an email request for availability and would like to host IPPE and/or APPE students in the upcoming year, please contact Lisa or Amber (emails above).

The Pharmacist’s Letter as an IPPE and APPE Resource

Through our partnership with the Pharmacist's Letter, you – as an SSPPS preceptor - have access to the Preceptor Training & Resource Network. Here’s what your access to Preceptor Training & Resource Network includes:

- Preceptor CE (home-based courses and live webinars)
- Sample student syllabi, activities, assignments and schedules
- Orientation, grading and evaluation tools
- Targeted professionalism, patient safety and practice-based teaching resources
- PL Journal Club (APPE teaching tools)
- Pharmacy 101 (IPPE teaching tools)
- End-of-rotation exams
- Preceptor discussion board

A sampling of the tips and tricks offered through the PTRN can be found here: http://pharmacistsletter.therapeuticresearch.com/ptrn/downloaditem.aspx?cs=PTRONLY&s=PL&id=752

Information regarding access instructions is emailed on a quarterly basis. If you have any questions or require assistance accessing the Preceptor Training & Resource Network, please contact Amber Berean aberean@ucsd.edu.

Reminder of SSPPS Rotation Absence Policy

- Students are to contact both their preceptor and the Office of Experiential Education (Lisa Avery lavery@ucsd.edu for APPEs and Amber Berean aberean@ucsd.edu for IPPEs) if they are unable to attend the rotation due to illness or emergency.
- Missed rotation time will need to be made up at the discretion of the preceptor.
- The preceptor’s approval needs to be secured in advance if a student needs to be absent on a scheduled rotation day.
- A plan should be developed by the preceptor and student for the completion of missed time from the rotation, if the preceptor deems necessary.
- Conditions for excused absences: Students are encouraged to attend professional meetings and interviews required for residency application activities. It is the responsibility of the student to organize these dates in ways to minimize the impact on their educational experiences. Students are expected to work with their preceptors when planning/scheduling interview dates.
Do You Have a Volunteer Appointment with SSPPS?

**Benefits of a Voluntary Appointment**
- Proxy access to the library system
- Able to physically use the library services
- Able to access recreational facilities
- Able to use the UCSD Bookstore (includes educational pricing on software and hardware)
- Utilize the UCSD shuttle bus service
- Placed on seminar listserv
- Eligible for reimbursement for poster presentations and/or meeting registration (see website for details)

**Proxy Access to the UCSD Library System**

Once preceptors have an active voluntary appointment with the School, they are eligible for proxy access to the UCSD library system.

1. For questions about the voluntary appointment process, please contact Doreen Lacy at 858.822.5506 or dlacy@ucsd.edu
2. To initiate the process for proxy access to the library please contact Andrina Marshall at amarshall@ucsd.edu (please allow one week for processing)

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