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About CCGP

The Commission for Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy is a member of the Institute for Credentialing Excellence and the Council on Credentialing in Pharmacy.

CCGP is also accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies.

Vision Statement

The Vision of CCGP is to ensure that all seniors receive high-quality pharmaceutical care from Certified Geriatric Pharmacists; and, that CCGP certified pharmacists are recognized as the preferred providers of pharmaceutical care to seniors.

Mission Statement

In order to achieve our Vision, CCGP commits to the following Mission:

- Protect and serve the public interest through the credentialing of qualified practitioners of geriatric pharmaceutical care.
- Develop and administer clinically relevant, legally-defensible, and psychometrically-sound certification programs and processes.
- Promote the value of CCGP credentials to the public, practitioners, employers, and payers.
- Advance the profession by establishing rigorous standards of care based on the most appropriate medications, therapies, and technologies, to ensure optimum outcomes.
- Ensure that CCGP products, services, organizational structure, and customer relations are viewed as the benchmark standard for credentialing organizations.

Through a long-term commitment to its Mission, CCGP will become a well recognized organization known as the leader in providing quality credentials in pharmaceutical care.

History of CCGP

On February 27, 1997 the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP) Board of Directors voted to create the Commission for Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy. CCGP is a nonprofit corporation, autonomous from ASCP and with its own governing Board of Commissioners.

Members of the Board of Commissioners were appointed and the first meeting of the Board was held on July 9, 1997. The first administration of the examination was held on November 12, 1997 in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CCGP was accredited by the National Commission on Certifying Agencies in March 2012.

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Message from the Executive Director and CEO

The Commission for Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy has been growing rapidly, as more and more pharmacists recognize the value of certification in geriatric pharmacy. Each day, more than 10,000 Americans turn 65 years of age. These older adults have special needs related to medications and drug therapy, and appropriately trained and certified pharmacists are ideally suited to help these patients and other health professionals manage the complexities of drug therapy in this population.

As CCGP has grown in size, the organization has also diversified. Hospital pharmacists are now outnumbering long-term care pharmacists as candidates for the Certified Geriatric Pharmacist examination. With the increasing size and diversity of the Certified Geriatric Pharmacist population, the CCGP Board of Commissioners decided this year to add the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists as a second provider of continuing professional development for recertification of the CGP.

Growth at CCGP has not just occurred in the U.S. It has also been international, especially outside North America. In 2013, 6.0% of Certified Geriatric Pharmacists were outside North America and at the end of 2015, 8.4% were outside the United States. The percent of international growth was actually higher than the percent of domestic growth. Australia had more than twice as many CGPs at the end of 2015 compared to the beginning of 2013, with over 170 CGPs. The aging trend is happening all over the world, not just in the United States.

While CCGP is pleased to see the interest in the geriatric certification program, our fundamental purpose continues to be ensuring that pharmacists who hold our credential meet the standards established for the Certified Geriatric Pharmacist. In keeping with that purpose, the CCGP Board of Commissioners made some changes to the Professional Development Program for recertification. These changes should bring continuing education for the CGP credential more in line with CE for other pharmacy certification programs.

CCGP continues to be proud of the accomplishments of our Certified Geriatric Pharmacists and the contributions they make to the care of older adults!

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Certification Report

Number of New Applicants in 2015

- March 15, 2015 deadline - 111
- June 15, 2015 deadline - 105
- September 15, 2015 deadline - 147
- December 15, 2015 deadline - 110
- TOTAL New Applicants - 473

Recertification in 2015

- Recertification by Exam - 80
- Recertification by Professional Development Program - 224
- TOTAL Recertification - 304

Exam Administration

- Number who took exam - 587
- Number who passed exam - 475

Total Active Certified Geriatric Pharmacists at end of 2015 - 2,932

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CGPs by Country

Australia: 177

Canada: 441

Egypt: 1

France: 1

Hong Kong: 6

Netherlands: 1

Saudi Arabia: 2

Singapore: 51

South Korea: 1

Sweden: 7

Taiwan: 1

Thailand: 2

United Arab Emirates: 1

United States of America: 2,240

TOTAL - 2,932

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CCGP Activities in 2015

As part of ongoing marketing efforts, CCGP participates in exhibit programs at a variety of professional meetings. In 2015, CCGP had an exhibit booth at the meetings below:

- American Pharmacists Association Annual Meeting, March 27-29, 2015 in San Diego, CA
- American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Annual Meeting, July 11-15, 2015 in National Harbor, MD
- National Community Pharmacists Association Annual Convention, October 10-14, 2015 in National Harbor, MD
- American Society of Consultant Pharmacists Annual Meeting, October 30-31, 2015 in Las Vegas, NV
- American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Midyear Clinical Meeting, December 6-10, 2015 in New Orleans, LA

In response to interest expressed by Certified Geriatric Pharmacists on a survey from CCGP, the CCGP Career Center was launched on the CCGP website early in 2015, at <http://jobs.ccgp.org>.

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