



# The Credential

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## *The Mark of Excellence in Geriatric Care*

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### **New Modules to be Added to Geriatric Pharmacy Review**

The Geriatric Pharmacy Review web site currently has 26.5 hours of continuing education credit in Advanced Courses in Geriatric Pharmacotherapy. These courses were posted in July 2011 and are used for recertification. The American Society of Consultant Pharmacists is currently developing additional modules for the Advanced Courses section of Geriatric Pharmacy Review.

The new modules will add additional hours of continuing education, bringing the total amount of CE in Advanced Courses to about 55 hours. At this time, it is expected that all the new modules should be added to the GPR web site by the end of September.

The current modules in the Advanced Courses section of GPR can be viewed at:  
<http://education.ascp.com/gpr/gpr-case-studies>

### Call for Nominations

The Commission for Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy is soliciting nominations for:

- The CCGP Board of Commissioners
- The CCGP Examination Development Committee
- The CCGP Excellence in Geriatric Pharmacy Practice Award

Two openings are available on the Board of Commissioners. One opening is for a Certified Geriatric Pharmacist. The other opening is for a "Stakeholder Commissioner" who does not need to be a pharmacist. This person could be a physician, nurse practitioner or employer representative. Eligibility criteria and more details are available at:

<http://www.ccgp.org/about/documents/CallforNominationsBoC.pdf>

The Examination Development Committee consists only of Certified Geriatric Pharmacists. One of the new committee members to be appointed this year should be from Canada. Since the CGP examination is used outside the United States, it is important to have at least one member of the exam committee from Canada to provide an international perspective. Eligibility criteria and more details are available at:

<http://www.ccgp.org/about/documents/CallforNominationsEDC.pdf>

Each year, CCGP recognizes one Certified Geriatric Pharmacist who fosters the principles of good pharmacy practice, demonstrates excellence in geriatric patient care, and promotes the value and rigorous standards established by CCGP. The CCGP Excellence in Geriatric Pharmacy Practice Award is presented during the opening general session of the annual meeting of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists. Criteria and more details are available at:

<http://www.ccgp.org/pharmacist/award.htm>

### September 15 is Last Exam Cycle to Provide Instant Scoring

CCGP has provided instant scoring of the Certified Geriatric Pharmacist examination since computer-based testing was implemented. Pharmacists who take the examination receive a score report at the testing center immediately after taking the exam.

Beginning January 2013, pharmacists who take the CGP examination will not receive an instant score report. Instead, the score reports of all pharmacists who take the examination during the January/February test window will be scored together. This will allow our testing partner, Applied Measurement Professionals, to conduct a validation of the examination items after the exam is administered. Currently, all exam items must be validated prior to use on the CGP exam.

The benefit of this change to CCGP is that the CGP examination can be kept more current. A larger number of examination items can be replaced from year to year if instant scoring is not used.

The October/November test window is the last test window where instant scoring will be

## CCGP to Launch New Web Site

The Commission for Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy is close to launching a new web site for CCGP. The new web site will have a more modern look and better organization to find the information you need. Check out the CCGP web site around the end of July and let us know what you think. The address will be the same: <http://www.ccgp.org>

## Call for Photographs

CCGP is launching a new web site and will also be developing new brochures for CCGP. It would be helpful for CCGP to have photographs of CGPs interacting with patients. These photographs would be posted on the CCGP web site or used in brochures.

If you are interested in submitting one or more photographs, please send an e-mail to [info@ccgp.org](mailto:info@ccgp.org). You will be provided with a release form to be completed. Each person shown in the photograph will need to complete a release form.

Please submit the photographs along with the release forms to [info@ccgp.org](mailto:info@ccgp.org). Those who submit photographs will be recognized in the next Credential newsletter.

## Recertification Reminder

Certified Geriatric Pharmacists can recertify by either retaking the CGP examination or by completing 75 hours of designated continuing education credits through the Professional Development Pathway (PDP). The continuing education needed for the PDP is available online at:

<http://education.ascp.com/gpr>

More details about recertification are available at this CCGP Web site:

<http://www.ccgp.org/pharmacist/recertification/index.htm>

## Dates to Remember

September 15 – Deadline to sign up for CGP examination, for October/November test window

November 6-9 – CCGP exhibit booth at the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists 2012 Annual Meeting and Exhibition National Harbor, Maryland

November 8, 6:30 am - 7:30 am – CCGP Annual Meeting Breakfast during the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists 2012 Annual Meeting and Exhibition National Harbor, Maryland

January 2013 – Instant Scoring not longer offered

available. The deadline to sign up for the October/November test window is September 15. Pharmacists who register for the examination after September 15 will not be eligible to take the examination until the January/February test window of 2013.

## CCGP to Launch Revised CGP Examination in 2014

CCGP conducts a role delineation study, or job analysis, of geriatric pharmacy practice every five years. A survey was conducted during April and May of this year to solicit input from geriatric pharmacists about the scope of geriatric pharmacy practice. The results of this survey will be analyzed in late June and the expert committee will finalize a new content outline for the CGP examination based on the survey results.

When the new content map is finalized, it will be posted on the CCGP web site. This content map will be used to create an updated Certified Geriatric Pharmacist examination. The new CGP exam will be launched in January 2014.

The American Society of Consultant Pharmacists offers an online review course for pharmacists who wish to prepare to take the CGP examination. This review course will be updated to correspond to the new content outline. The revised review course is expected to be available in Summer 2013 for pharmacists who take the CGP exam in 2014 or later.

## CCGP Congratulates New CGPs

The Commission for Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy is pleased to announce that the following pharmacists have completed the requirements to qualify as Certified Geriatric Pharmacists during the April/May testing window:

Jeffery C Allison	Wee May Lee
Kim Anderson	Kiat Wee Lim
Sherry Lynn Andes	Elisa Macklin
Katelyn Andresen	O'Neal T. Malcolm
Jennifer Armbrust	Joan Marie Merkel
Andrew Ikechukwu Azoro	Pooyan Mike Mesdaghi
Sara Badagliacqua	Avian Milton
Tamara M. Baker	Omar Mubaslat
Michael Behrens	Khanh T Nguyen
Rebecca Lynn Blenski	Lisa Nguyen
Joy Morana Boneo	Michelle Nguyen
Carol L Botelho	Stanley Owade
Joanne Andrea Bradwell	Sonali Patel
Mark Brady	Nguyet- Minh t Perez
Mark Branum	Amanda Pruden
Marcella R Brown	Charles Louis Quagliari
Gianna Bryan	M Isabel Quintans
Lynn Anne Buss	Justin Rash
Laura Payne Cannon	Stacy Dobbs Richardson
Ralph D. Cannon	Louis Joseph Riel
Jameeka Carrington	Lynn M. Rogers
Matthew James Cervelli	Cecille Sabellano
Angela Considine	Mahmoud M Ahmed Abdulrahman Salem
Lindsay B. Curtin	Ray Scott Sanders
Matthew E Dehner	Chris Schellenberg
Linda Deluca	Jufang Shi
Holly M Dill	Al Silver
Amy Enos	Carole M. Simon
Sadaf Faisal	Elizabeth Jane Skelton
Cynthia Lynn Feucht	Julie M Sklenicka
Katrina Flowers-Choate	Marianne Sosa Songgadan
Rochelle Darnell Fontana	Joanne Stoeckel
Dieter Foss	Kevin Swearingin
Anthony Lyle Gilles	Ashley Symonds
Gauri P Godbole	Chris Terpening
Linda D. Goldwyer	Quant H. To
Monica Han	Thu Kim Tran
Kris Hartmar	Tiffany Tran
Cassie Ellen Hewton	Justin Paul Turner
Robert William Holt	Marek Tuzinowski
Joseph Thomas Horsfall	Kathleen Uy
Patricia Helen Jacobsen	Stephanie Leigh Vermillion
Marian James	Heather Walton
Bryan Paul Jett	Imaina Sabella Widagdo
Leah Kim	Erin Williams
Farshid Laghaei	Vy Thuc Wu