I want to wish all preceptor faculty a Happy New Year. You provide that key educational link from didactic education to successful practice in the profession of pharmacy. The importance and responsibility of what you do is immeasurable! January of each year is always a milestone for the Office of Experiential Learning and International Programs. Our P3s either begin APPEs or they complete the IPPE program by participating in IPPE community and IPPE institutional. Those completing the IPPE program in January or February move directly into the APPE program with the rest of their classmates. Our P4s are scheduled to complete the APPE program in April with graduation to follow in May, 2014.

This is a particularly important time of the year for a couple of other reasons. The use of the UT-9 student learning objectives should be used by all faculty starting on January 2, 2014. I have now received nearly 50 revised syllabi for APPEs through mid-December. The required APPEs using standardized syllabi (ambulatory care, advanced institutional, and advanced community) have been completed as well. This will result in a new grading form for APPEs that will reflect the UT-9 student learning outcomes. The APPE grading form will be available through E*Value for the first time at our College of Pharmacy beginning in January too. I am sure there will some bugs as we make all of these changes at once, so bear with us if everything isn’t perfect. We are here to assist you as you assess the experiential learning of our students.
Preceptor Spotlight

Innovation in Retail Pharmacy

Dr. Jerry Duren is a UT graduate of 1970. After graduation, Dr. Duren moved back home and worked at an independent pharmacy. After a couple of years, he left that and went to hospital pharmacy. In 1994 he got back into independent pharmacy. Eventually he opened his own independent community pharmacy in Waynesboro, TN and has been operating there for the past 20 years. Offering much more than just filling prescriptions, Duren’s RX offers immunizations, medical equipment, MTM, compounding, and even free diabetes and healthy heart education classes. Just recently, Dr. Duren hired his PGY1 resident and began a new venture to implement a pharmacist’s presence in a local doctor’s office.

What formal pharmacy training did you have before opening your own pharmacy?
I worked in an independent store here in Waynesboro straight after school for a couple years, and actually became part owner. I ended up selling it and working in a hospital for around 12 years before I decided to open Duren’s Health Mart.

What do you enjoy most about your job?
I really enjoy the interaction with patients. That’s what I was really excited about getting back to community pharmacy after years with hospital pharmacy. It’s also very rewarding seeing the changes in patients lives.

What brought you to Waynesboro?
I’m a native of Waynesboro, born and raised here. Besides pharmacy school, I’ve never lived anywhere else. My wife and I really like the quality of life here.

What is it like balancing your own business and personal life?
In a small town, business is part of personal life. It’s not uncommon for patients and friends to stop and ask questions at restaurants or church. I’m a pharmacist 99% and a regular person once I get in my doors at home, but it’s a good life.

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Preceptor Spotlight (cont.)

Why did you take on the role of being a preceptor?  
While in pharmacy school, I admired many professors, and realized the impact they had on my life and the knowledge they shared and motivated me to become a better student and pharmacist. I wanted to have the opportunity to teach and motivate current students.

What do you feel students gain most from your rotation?  
I hope they see that patient interaction and counseling is so important. I also want them to realize there are lots of opportunities in our profession; you can make your profession be what you want it to be.

What advice would you give those thinking about or are new to precepting?  
Not to overlook the opportunity to learn from students. Students are learning the newest protocols and applications and disease state management. Learn from students, ask questions, it is unlimited in what you can receive from the students.

What advice would you have for those students thinking about pursuing a career in community pharmacy?  
Right now there has never been a better time to pursue a career in community pharmacy. We are right at the edge of having patient care services changed dramatically, especially with the possibility of getting provider status. There are so many opportunities for graduating students to have an impact on patients’ lives. There are lots of doors opening, some that we don’t even know yet especially with the new technology coming out.

Tell us more about your plans with your PGY1 resident you just hired on.  
I’ve actually hired 3 PGY1 residents. But with this most recent resident, he is going to manage a small corner pharmacy in a doctor’s office. The plans are to be at the point of care, in the patient’s rooms, giving patient education right in the room as well as answering questions for the physician. Possibly even do charting or medication history and making recommendations. We’d like to develop an agreement where we can go ahead and use alternate drugs due to insurance formularies. It will also be a convenience for patient to see physician and get prescription on way out.

What’s next for Duren’s Pharmacy?  
I heard a good quote from a meeting I attended “in the future we have to prove the value of pharmacy” If this model works out, I’d like to move in to other clinics, having the pharmacists at the point care and improving the delivery of pharmaceutical care to our patients.
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