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Charles E. Daniels to be Honored for His Leadership in Health-System Pharmacy

The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) has named Charles E. Daniels, PhD, FASHP, as the recipient of the 2014 John W. Webb Lecture Award. The Webb Award honors health-system pharmacy practitioners or educators who stand apart because of their extraordinary dedication to fostering excellence in pharmacy management and leadership.

“This prestigious award reflects Dr. Daniels international recognition as a leader in expanding pharmacy practices and academic development in health systems to improve patient care,” said James H. McKerrow, MD, PhD, dean of the UC San Diego Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. “Throughout his career, Dr. Daniels has focused on solving issues that regularly confront health system pharmacists, including medication safety, cost-effective use of medications, and increased efficiency of health-system operations.”

Daniels is pharmacist-in-chief for UC San Diego Health System and professor of clinical pharmacy and associate dean at UC San Diego Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. Daniels serves as system-wide pharmacy officer for the university’s hospitals and clinics. His leadership has cultivated an understanding among health system executives and health care providers of the importance of including pharmacists in key leadership and decision-making positions. He also has served as a champion for postgraduate education and training in order to best prepare pharmacists for practice.

Daniels previously served as chief of the Pharmacy Department for National Institutes of Health (NIH) Clinical Center from 1995-2004. He served in several pharmacy management positions at the University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinic from 1980-1995, in addition to holding a faculty position at the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy.



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In his role at UC San Diego Health System, Daniels was instrumental in establishing an integrated professional education service model and Transitions of Care Pharmacy Hospital to Home service model. During his tenure at the NIH Clinical Center, he transformed the ambulatory pharmacy practice to accommodate a growing emphasis on outpatient investigational drug protocols, helped expand the pharmacy-based clinical pharmacokinetics research laboratory, and lead system reforms to prevent medication errors.

Daniels has served in numerous volunteer positions with ASHP; the Washington, D.C., Metropolitan Society of Health-System Pharmacists; the Minnesota Society of Health-System Pharmacists; and the California Society of Health-System Pharmacists. He also has served in numerous volunteer positions for the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy and the American College of Clinical Pharmacy.

Daniels graduated from the University of Arizona with a BSP Pharm. After completing an ASHP-accredited residency at the NIH Clinical Center, he earned an MS and PhD from the University of Minnesota.

Daniels will present his award lecture in October 2014 at the ASHP Conference for Leaders in Health-System Pharmacy and as visiting professor in hospital pharmacy at Northeastern University.

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