LatinRx Newsletter

NHPA would like to introduce the first issue of our quarterly newsletter! Through these publications we hope to share the many ways in which our members are involved in our college and the community and encourage other students to work toward improving patient care for all LatinX patients.

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"I want incoming Latinx pharmacy students to know that NHPA is a place where they are welcomed and celebrated. Many of our members joined to learn more about Latinx culture, including the language, to improve patient care.

My mission at NHPA is to find ways to serve the Latinx community in ways relating to pharmacy. Pharmacists play such an important role in the patient care process. It is important to me that the community is aware of how accessible and knowledgeable pharmacists are. More importantly, I want to work closely with student pharmacists who want to improve their Spanish-speaking skills and have conversations about serving Latinx patients and other non-Latinx underserved communities.

My favorite part of NHPA so far has been listening to members talk about their views and experiences. My goal as incoming president is to create an inclusive environment that contributes to personal and professional growth. As a newer organization at UGA-COP, I believe these early years will help pave the way for NHPA’s future."

**MEMBER SPOTLIGHT – DAYANA PIMENTEL**

Dayana is one of our amazing student members and our President-elect. She is proud of making it through her first year of pharmacy school and has recently accepted a position as an intern at Publix Pharmacy. This summer she attended the GPhA convention and volunteered for the Farm Worker Family Health Program in Moultrie, Georgia. She looks forward to shadowing an oncology pharmacist at Emory and is continuing to explore her interests in pharmacy. Dayana plans to utilize her summer break as an experience to continue improving on herself.

Thank you for being a part of NHPA, Dayana! We look forward to seeing all the incredible things you will do for the organization.
RECAP OF OUR YEAR TOGETHER

During the Spring semester, NHPA members created a COVID vaccination information brochure in Spanish that was distributed in clinics and pharmacies around Athens.

A few of our members, exec board and our advisor, Dr. Huang, at Taqueria Tsunami, celebrating the end of the semester.

JUGS DRIVE FOR HAWTHORNE DRUGS

Collected jugs were recycled and transformed into sharps containers which were distributed along with an educational sheet to help patients understand how to dispose of needles, where to dispose of them, and why it is important to store them correctly.

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PUERTO RICO BAKE SALE

NHPA partnered with students at the Interamerican University of Puerto Rico to provide aid to those affected by the high magnitude earthquake that caused major destruction in Puerto Rico.
FARM WORKER FAMILY HEALTH PROGRAM

The Farm Worker Family Health Program is a two-week volunteer service experience that takes place yearly during the month of June. Undergraduate and graduate students from interdisciplinary healthcare programs that include nursing, physical therapy, dental hygiene, and pharmacy work interprofessionally to provide healthcare services to farmworker communities in rural southwest Georgia.

This summer, students from our organization had the opportunity to participate in this service event. In the mornings, the pharmacy students volunteered at the local elementary school and in the evenings they provided pharmacy services to farmworkers.