Iowa Society annual meeting: ‘The Integration of Health Care’

The Iowa Society of Health-System Pharmacists held its annual meeting in Council Bluffs April 25–26. The meeting was jointly organized by ISHP and the Southwest Iowa Pharmacists Association.

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Voice—One Vision for Wisconsin Pharmacy.” Upcoming ad hoc committee meetings on the proposed new Wisconsin pharmacy organization will produce draft bylaws, vision and mission statements, and a suggested transition board.

Attendance was 111, and there were 23 exhibits.

Health care integration was the overall theme of the educational sessions. On Friday, Harry P. Hagel, M.S., BCPS, BCNSP, spoke about expectations of the pharmacy profession; Roger Gerard, M.A., and Mark D. Hall, M.S., presented “Restructuring the Pharmacy Organization: Accomplishing Massive Change”; and Angela K. Kuehl, Pharm.D., talked about continuous pharmaceutical care with reference to a community-based demonstration project. Saturday’s program focused on specific diseases and therapies: Helicobacter pylori and gastrointestinal therapy (Gregory J. Vogel, Pharm.D., BCPS); schizophrenia (J. Barton Brown, Jr., Pharm.D., BCPS); human immunodeficiency virus infection (Tracie L. Jacobson, M.B.A.); and seizure disorders (H. William Wagley, Pharm.D.).

There was also a presentation on the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy and the integration of health care, by Dyke Anderson.

Maria I. Marin, ASHP, installed James A. Wallace, Coram Health Care, Davenport, as ISHP president; William T. Crow, St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center, Sioux City, as president-elect; Patricia Doucet-Bobino, Des Moines, as treasurer; and Marcia McNulty, North Iowa Mercy Health Center, Mason City, and Scott Leigh, Trinity Regional Hospital, Fort Dodge, as new board members. (This year, for the first time, two students and one technician have also been appointed to the ISHP board.) Awards were presented to Sharon Meyer (Outgoing President’s Award), Harry Hagel (Hospital Pharmacist of the Year and Outgoing Board of Directors awards), and Marcia McNulty (Outgoing Board of Directors Award). Dawn Goebel and Stacey Gerson were presented with student scholarships, and Stephen Peterson and Brenda Gorsett were recognized for their hospital pharmacy pearls submissions.