

*Care for the Community is not just something we say, it is the reason for everything we do.*

## Dr. Jennifer Clements Named Chair of Pharmacy Practice Department

Dr. Clements received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Campbell University in 2006 and completed her PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice residency with an emphasis in primary care at the Ralph H. Johnson Veterans Affairs Medical Center in 2007. She served as an Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice at Shenandoah University. During this time, she practiced at the Martinsburg Veterans Affairs Medical Center as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist.

Dr. Clements teaches in a variety of courses in the Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy curriculum. Her research interests include clinical and economic outcomes in chronic disease state management among physicians and pharmacists, and innovative methods within pharmacy education among pharmacy residents and students. Currently, Dr. Clements serves as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist at Laurens Family Medicine.

*Dr. Jennifer Clements has been serving as Interim Chair of the Pharmacy Practice Department since May 2014. "She has done an outstanding job managing the department," stated Dr. Cliff Fuhrman, "and I also believe the members of the department have been extremely supportive of Dr. Clements during her transition into this new position."*





“We are delighted that PCSP had the opportunity to host the first BRAD/EARDA grant networking meeting. These five year grants are huge assets to our institutions, remarkable in their scope and essential, if we are to succeed in the programs we are trying to build. The opportunity to meet and talk through so many relevant issues with each other, and particularly with our program officer, is one that we value highly and now will look forward to every year,” said **Genevra Kelly**, Presbyterian College BRAD grant Extramural Associate and Principal Investigator along with **Dr. Alfonso Romero-Sandoval**, Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy Associate Professor and Director of Research.



“The importance of providing undergraduate and graduate students opportunities to work with faculty on research cannot be over-emphasized and that critical work is supported by strong offices of sponsored programs and research”, says **Romero-Sandoval**, an MD, and PhD who also holds Presbyterian College’s first NIH R15 research grant. “We are delighted that we had this opportunity to meet with our colleagues from other institutions. It was a wonderful learning experience and one that we believe will help all of us build better research administration and research programs.”



## NIH BRAD-EARDA NETWORKING

On November 12, representatives from 12 colleges and universities gathered at the Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy for a two day, first ever NIH BRAD-EARDA networking event.

The National Institutes of Health Biomedical/Biobehavioral Research Administration (BRAD) and Extramural Associates Research Development (EARDA) awards are five year competitive grants given by NIH to colleges and universities to provide necessary resources as they build the appropriate research administration infrastructures to acquire and manage federal grants.

The participants held positions as Deans, Vice Presidents, and Directors of Sponsored Programs and came from as far away as California and Puerto Rico and from institutions with student populations that ranged in size from 1,500 to 55,000. The group met to discuss topics critical to research administration and institutional compliance with federal rules and regulations.

Leading the event was **Dr. Jean Flagg-Newton**, the Assistant Director of Health Equity for the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the Program Officer for the BRAD and EARDA awards. The opportunity to spend two days in focused discussion with **Dr. Flagg-Newton** on issues related to their grant was one of the highlights of the gathering for all participants.

While on campus, participants attended a welcome reception. There, they had an opportunity to meet Presbyterian College undergraduate faculty as well as Presbyterian College President, **Dr. Claude Lilly**; Provost, **Dr. Don Raber**; and Presbyterian Pharmacy School Dean, **Dr. Cliff Fuhrman**. Participants also enjoyed a dinner with pharmacy faculty featuring a presentation from guest speaker **Ms. Erika Kirby**, the Senior Research Analyst and Grants Manager for the BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Foundation, on current trends in private foundation funding.



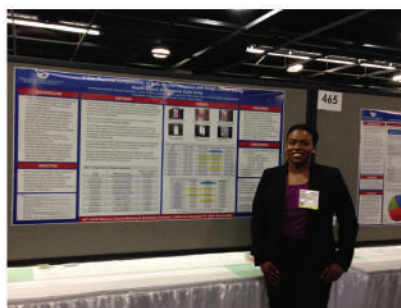


## Students and Faculty Attend ASHP Midyear 2014

The ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition is the largest gathering of pharmacy professionals in the world.

Tens of thousands of pharmacy professionals from all over the world convened at the largest gathering of its kind December 7-11, 2014, at the 49th American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition in Anaheim, CA. The educational activities at the meeting are developed to maintain and enhance the knowledge, skills, and abilities of pharmacists and associated personnel in health systems. A dynamic venue for instruction on important issues relevant to contemporary pharmacy practice, the meeting's five full days of continuing education sessions and networking opportunities are unmatched anywhere.

Approximately 15 Presbyterian College Pharmacy School students, and several faculty went to Midyear this year, with 10 students presenting posters. "It was an excellent thing for our students to present posters on a national level," stated Dr. Eddie Grace, "and a great opportunity for those seeking a residency to interact with current residents and program directors to gain knowledge and insight into the various residency programs." The Residency Showcase held at Midyear gathers representatives from hundreds of programs from across the country where our students have the opportunity to talk directly with the representatives and develop fundamental strategies to secure a residency.





## Fall Preceptor Workshop at Pharmacy School

The IPE workshop was held at the Pharmacy School from December 8-16, 2014.

This year's workshop was held in an new format which included an online webinar and then a live panel session. The webinar was titled "A Preceptor Seminar Focused on Interprofessional Education (IPE)" and featured speakers from Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville and our own faculty. Dr. Therese Poirier (Associate Dean for Education and Academics, SIUE) and Dr. Miranda Wilhelm (Clinical Assistant Professor in the Pharmacy Practice Department, SIUE) presented information on Interprofessional Education and how it relates to pharmacy education and, more specifically, how preceptors can and should incorporate IPE into their rotations. Dr. Sarah Wagner (Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice and Director of Interprofessional Education, PCSP) explained how PCSP is bringing IPE into the curriculum and strategies for preceptors to develop activities at their respective sites. A live online panel was hosted on December 16 where preceptors could bring their IPE ideas to brainstorm, collaborate and work out logistics with the speakers. The students will be exposed to IPE in a variety of ways during pharmacy school and incorporating it into the practice experiences shows exactly how pharmacists work with other healthcare professionals in a variety of settings.

The Office of Experiential Education offers Preceptor Development twice a year at no charge to our preceptors that allows them to earn continuing education credit. The topics presented explore emerging trends in precepting and offer insight to refine and improve current rotations. The Spring Preceptor Workshop will include speakers, round table discussions, networking opportunities and lunch. More details and dates on the Spring Preceptor Workshop will be announced soon.



## Accomplishments

- Congratulations to **Dr. Serge Afeli** and **Dr. Eddie Grace** who have successfully completed the SCTR's Core Clinical Research Training Course for the South Carolina Clinical and Translation Research Institute located at the Medical University of South Carolina.

- **Lizzy Robinette, Steven Robinette, Courtney Batson, and Kerri Bergin** represented Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy at the SCSHP Fall Meeting in the Clinical Skills Competition.

Lizzy and Steven took home the win and were also honored by being recognized as the overall winners in the state (out of the 8 teams who participated from PC, USC, MUSC and South) based on their exemplary performance during the oral competition phase of the Clinical Skills Competition.

- Congratulations to **Dr. Kayce Shealy** and **Dr. Tiffaney Threatt** for accepted publication to Health Communication for their work *Utilization of the Newest Vital Sign in Practice in the United States*.

- Congratulations to **Dr. David Eagerton, Dr. Nancy Goodbar, Michelle Dansby (Class of 2014), Sarah Abel (Class of 2014), WC Bell** for accepted and published manuscript to Austin Journal of Pharmacology and Therapeutics *Morphine overdose in a 6 ½ week old infant: a case report*.

- Congratulations to **Dr. Eileen Ward**, as a presenter for Annual Heart Failure Symposium at Spartanburg Regional Heart Failure Center with the presentation titled *Heart Failure Monitoring – Medications and Beyond*.





## Center for Entrepreneurial Development Announces Spring Schedule

### January 27 and 29

**“Building a Business Plan for Your Entrepreneurial Venture”** *(required)*

**Speaker:**

**Gene Reeder, PhD, RPh**  
Professor, PCSP

### February 17

**“Building Teams That Work”**  
*(elective)*

**Speaker:**

**Shaun Dillavou, PharmD**  
Walgreens

### March 9 and 10

**“Developing a Strategy for Success for your Small Business”** *(required)*

**Speaker:**

**Norman Scarborough**  
Scott Associate Professor of  
Entrepreneurship, PC

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**Time: 6:00-7:30pm**

**Where: Lecture Hall 104**



The First Annual PC School of Pharmacy Golf Tournament was held on Monday 13, 2014. We had an outstanding event. The course at The Links at Stoney Point was an excellent venue, and we had 16 teams playing. The winner of the tournament was the foursome from JM Smith Drugs. The tournament was held to raise scholarship funds for the School of Pharmacy



The Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy (PCSP) hosted its semi-annual Drug Take Back Program on Saturday, September 27th. Students and faculty members collected over 40 pounds of unused prescription medication.



Our intramural soccer team Pharmacia is undefeated for the 2014 season!