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What is SNPhA?

by Chidinma Ahiaarah

According to the SNPhA website: SNPhA is an educational service association of pharmacy students who are concerned about the profession of pharmacy, healthcare issues, and the poor minority representation in these areas. The purpose of SNPhA is to plan, organize, coordinate, and execute programs geared toward the **improvement of the health**, educational, and social environment of minority communities. Together we can:

Offer student members the opportunity to develop **leadership and professional skills**.

Educate students about, and promote active participation in **national healthcare issues**.

Develop the role of the minority health professional as a **vital member of the healthcare team**.

Educate communities on better health practices and to increase their awareness and understanding of diseases.

Meet Your Executive Committee



Kingsville Officers:

L-R Top Row:

President - Ryan Spencer

Secretary - Jessica McAndrew

Secretary Elect - Madison Dibble

Treasurer- Brenda Ortiz

L-R Bottom Row:

Fundraising - Na Nguyen

Delegate - Kevin Chan

College Station Officers:

L-R Top Row:

Vice President - Sarah Bermudez

President Elect - Jennifer Meza

L-R Bottom Row

Historian - Chidinma Ahiaharah

Treasurer - Wenfei Wei

Fundraising - Brittany Martinez



TAMU COP Takes Nationals

This year SNPhA hosted our National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina! A handful of our Executive Committee were able to go and represent the Rangel College of Pharmacy!



Just some TAMU pals, living in a SNPhA world. They took the midnight train to Nationals!

"My experience at the nationals was quite unique and enjoyable for the most part. This past summer was my first time acting as a delegate for my chapter at the nationals. What I learned at nationals was that SNPhA are continuously implementing and modifying laws to strive for advancement of the profession of pharmacy with emphasis on serving the minorities. I was able to be apart of it by voting on resolutions, along with other chapters delegate, that seems most fitting to the bylaws. I also saw how passionate each SNPhA chapters are in terms of serving the under-served. My biggest take away from the nationals is that we can make a difference in our communities, but it depends on how willing we are to work together and take the initiatives to make it happen."

- Kevin Chan
Delegate

"Nationals was an eye-opening experience for me. Seeing the large impact other chapters were having on their communities was completely inspirational. It was at nationals that I truly realized the mission of SNPhA. 'A life is not important except in the impact it has on other lives'- Jackie Robinson"

-Sarah Bermudez
Vice President

"Attending the National Conference this summer was a wonderful opportunity where I learned more about SNPhA, what the organization has to offer its members, and how much of an impact it has made within the hundreds of communities around the nation. It was great being able to meet other students who were also passionate about making a difference and serving the under-served. I came back motivated and ready to contribute new, creative ideas for SNPhA!"

- Jennifer Meza
President Elect



TAMU COP Takes Nationals (cont.)



Alone we can do so little.
Together we can do so
much.

- Helen Keller



Organization Fair Success

Every year during orientation the incoming class of P1's get to see the wide variety of pharmacy related organizations that the Rangel College of Pharmacy has to offer.



"SNPhA had a booth at the new student Organization Fair which takes place every year during New Student Orientation Week. We had a variety of goodies at our booth as well as individual handwritten letters to each incoming P1 student. We had a poster that presented information about SNPhA's mission to serve the under-served and handed out flyers stating our mission, goals and the date of our informational meeting. Our booth attracted a lot of attention and we hope that it encouraged P1s to see just what SNPhA is about and what they can do for their community."

– Jessica McAndrew
Secretary

