



"USE YOUR VOICE: SHARE YOUR
KNOWLEDGE TO SHAPE THE FUTURE"

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Describe

Describe the role and purpose of a Pharmacy Technician Diploma Program Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) and its impact on pharmacy technician education and workforce development.

Identify

Identify the benefits of pharmacy technician participation on advisory committees, including professional growth, leadership development, networking, and influencing future practice standards.

Explain

Explain the importance of recruiting practicing pharmacy technicians to advisory committees in order to ensure educational programs remain relevant, current, and aligned with real-world pharmacy practice needs.



WHAT IS A PAC ? WHY DOES IT EXIST?

- CCAPP Accreditation Standard 9
 - “The Program is responsive to the profession in maintaining relevance to current pharmacy practice, practice sites and community or regional needs, and must include the establishment of a fully functioning Pharmacy Technician Program Advisory Committee (PTPAC).”
- Colleges and technical institutions have PAC’s as they are considered best practice.
 - Institutional guidelines may vary slightly

WHAT IS A PAC ? WHY DOES IT EXIST?

- To advise and counsel the program to be sure the program meets required standards, and the needs of students and the profession.
- Advisory committees support program quality, relevancy and workforce readiness.
- Committee members advocate for the program when required.

WHAT IS THE IMPORTANCE OF PRACTICING TECHNICIANS ON PAC COMMITTEES?

Technicians
know the work
the best

Advocate for
the Technician
Role

WHAT IS THE IMPORTANCE OF PRACTICING TECHNICIANS ON PAC COMMITTEES?



- Support Student Success
- Influence the Future of the Profession

WHAT IS THE IMPORTANCE OF PRACTICING TECHNICIANS ON PAC COMMITTEES?



Give Back to the
Profession



Professional Growth
and Leadership

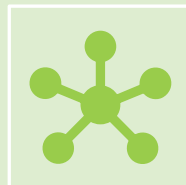
WHAT IS THE IMPORTANCE OF PRACTICING TECHNICIANS ON PAC COMMITTEES??



Stay Current With Industry Trends



Help Address Workforce Challenges



Build Connections and Networks



WHY YOUR VOICE MATTERS

Influence

Leadership

Advocacy

Mentorship

Professional Growth

Future Workforce Development



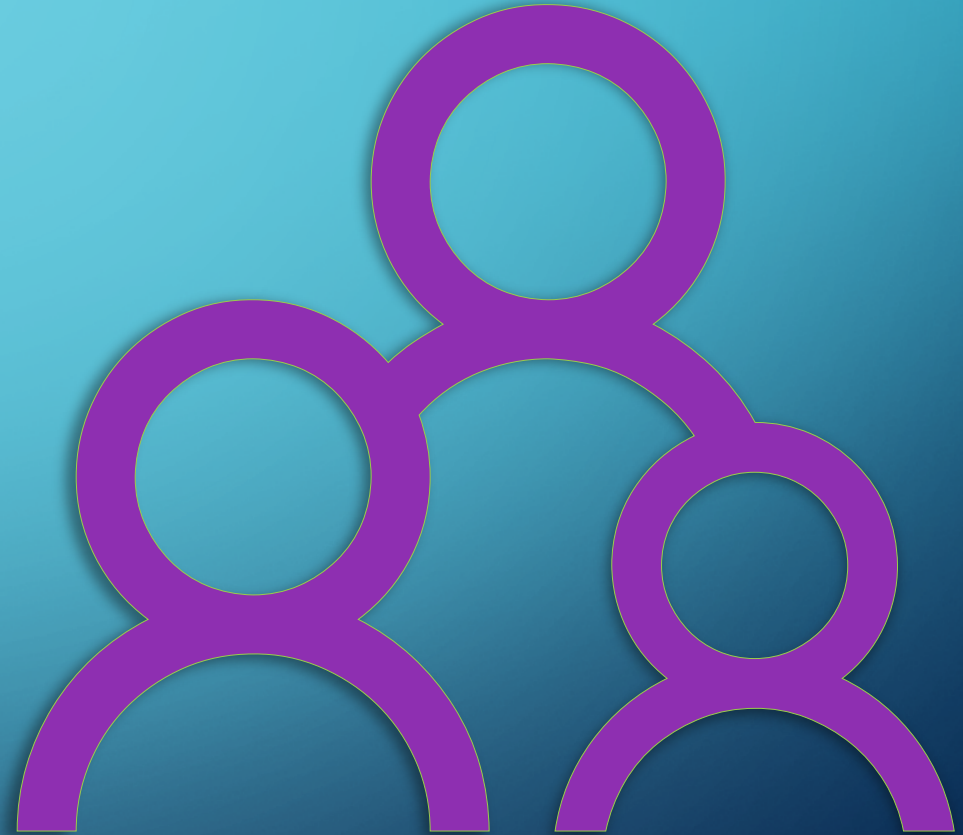
WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO TECHNICIANS?



- *Embrace and nurture the passion and pride to be practicing as a registered pharmacy technician*

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO TECHNICIANS?

- *Foster an enriching and fulfilling sense of community with other pharmacy professionals*



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO TECHNICIANS?



- *Encounter new and exciting options or opportunities that can be used to improve your current career path*

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO TECHNICIANS?

- *Collaborate with other pharmacy professionals through rich discussions, opening new doors to opportunities that you may not have ever known could exist*





WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO TECHNICIANS?

- *Be engaged with any new or changing practices that might be outside of your normal practice (hospital practice updates vs community practice vs non-traditional roles), creating a more well-rounded approach to problem solving or critical thinking skills.*



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO TECHNICIANS?

- *Listen to challenges that future and current pharmacy professionals are currently encountering and offer input, guidance, experience, and perspectives that could help shape the future of pharmacy technicians.*

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO TECHNICIANS?

- *Find a mentor, or a pharmacy professional that you can look to for guidance or advice with careers, OR, maybe you become a mentor to someone*





WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO TECHNICIANS?

- *Gain confidence in professional situations where your knowledge and experience are valued. Learn to speak confidently when in a group among other professionals.*



NEXT STEPS

IF YOU HAVE A CONNECTION TO THE PROGRAM NEAR YOU, REACH OUT AND SEE IF THEY ARE CURRENTLY RECRUITING.

IF YOU NEED HELP MAKING A CONNECTION, FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO ME AND I CAN PUT YOU IN TOUCH WITH THE SCHOOL NEAR YOU.

QUESTIONS?



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