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HUGH O. HOWLING	1934-43	JOHN M. O'HARA	1986-87
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GEORGE H. DALLIMORE	1959-63	KEVIN T. McANUFF	1996-04
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# ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

## 1. PURPOSE

The Pharmaceutical Society of Western Australia Incorporated was formed on the 18<sup>th</sup> October 2010 on the abolition of the Pharmaceutical Council of Western Australia. The Pharmaceutical Society of Western Australia was previously in existence and was converted to the above body complete with a new constitution.

The objects of the Society are:

- to support, promote and protect the status and interests of pharmacists registered in the State of Western Australia;
- to promote improvements in laws affecting pharmacists and the practice of pharmacy;
- to advance and encourage the study and practice of pharmacy and all branches of science and knowledge allied thereto;
- to provide services and facilities for the use or benefit of pharmacists;
- to support the preservation of the history and heritage of pharmacy in Western Australia;
- to relieve poor and necessitous persons who are or have been members of the Society who may through bodily or mental infirmity or other misfortune, be incapacitated from practising and the spouses and dependent family members of such persons;
- to relieve poor and necessitous dependent family members of deceased members of the Society;
- to do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above Objects.

The reporting period is from 1 January 2011 to 31 December 2011.

## 2. BOARD MEETINGS

MEMBER	MEETINGS	SPECIAL MEETINGS
J HARVEY	9	5
N FOSBERY	8	2
R C HILL	6	1
R E HILL	8	3
L MULLEN	8	4
S JOHNSTONE	6	1
J CAO	7	2

## 3. ELECTIONS

The terms of office of all members of the Committee of Management expired on March 31<sup>st</sup> under the constitution.

Ms Watkins, Ms Bryce and Dr Clifford did not renominate. Mrs Manal Oz, Mr Rowland Hill, Mr John Harvey and Mrs Lenette Mullen all renominated for election along with Ms Stefanie Johnstone, Mr John Cao, Mr Russell Hill and Mr Noel Fosbery. The election was held by the returning officer, Mr Bob Brennan, and Ms Johnstone, Mrs Mullen and Messrs Rowland Hill, Russell Hill, Noel Fosbery, John Cao and John Harvey were declared elected to the Board. The Society wishes to thank Mrs Oz and Mrs Bryce for their years of service to it and Ms Watkins for her admirable service as a stand-in for the period until April 2011.

## 4. OFFICERS

President:	J.L. HARVEY, F.P.S.
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Legal Advisors:	J.D. FINLAY & CO.
Accountants:	FLINDERS CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
Auditors:	MGI PERTH AUDIT SERVICES PTY LTD

## 5. PHARMACEUTICAL REGISTER

Membership is shown according to age and practicing status. The NITP Complete Exam Pending category may not be entirely accurate because these people may have passed their examinations and not registered and not as yet been removed. The other sections are up to date. We had approximately 85% - 90% uptake of membership. Membership was seen as good value by most people particularly because of the continuing education, including the annual gold questionnaire. This year we introduced free membership to interns to give them a taste of membership of the Society. The interns ages are listed as >55 because they are not known.

Age==>	Under 25		Between 25 & 34		Between 35 & 44		Between 45 & 54		Over 55		Totals		Grand Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Proprietor	0	0	19	20	79	58	79	28	107	11	284	117	401
Partner	0	0	24	18	29	16	15	21	12	7	80	62	142
Community Pharmacist	21	47	201	471	57	165	38	87	83	57	400	827	1227
Hospital Pharmacist	5	6	6	81	8	37	8	32	14	25	41	181	222
Other	11	33	8	27	3	6	2	8	5	5	29	79	108
<b><u>Tot. Practising</u></b>	<b><u>37</u></b>	<b><u>86</u></b>	<b><u>258</u></b>	<b><u>617</u></b>	<b><u>176</u></b>	<b><u>282</u></b>	<b><u>142</u></b>	<b><u>176</u></b>	<b><u>221</u></b>	<b><u>105</u></b>	<b><u>834</u></b>	<b><u>1266</u></b>	<b><u>2100</u></b>
Non Practising	0	0	1	7	2	8	2	4	64	19	69	38	107
Intern	3	8	17	21	1	4	2	1	48	80	71	114	185
Intern - External	0	8	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	11	13
NITP Complete Exam Pending	19	37	17	27	1	4	0	1	1	0	38	69	107
<b><u>Tot. Non-Practising</u></b>	<b><u>22</u></b>	<b><u>53</u></b>	<b><u>37</u></b>	<b><u>58</u></b>	<b><u>4</u></b>	<b><u>16</u></b>	<b><u>4</u></b>	<b><u>6</u></b>	<b><u>113</u></b>	<b><u>99</u></b>	<b><u>180</u></b>	<b><u>232</u></b>	<b><u>412</u></b>
<b><u>Total Registered</u></b>	<b><u>59</u></b>	<b><u>139</u></b>	<b><u>295</u></b>	<b><u>675</u></b>	<b><u>180</u></b>	<b><u>298</u></b>	<b><u>146</u></b>	<b><u>182</u></b>	<b><u>334</u></b>	<b><u>204</u></b>	<b><u>1014</u></b>	<b><u>1498</u></b>	<b><u>2512</u></b>

## 6. INTERN TRAINING PROGRAMME

Two cohorts of the National Intern Training Programme (NITP), commencing in January and September were co-ordinated in 2011. One hundred and forty three interns entered the First Intake 2011 cohort and thirty eight interns entered the Second 2011 cohort. The vast majority of these enrolments were from interns that graduated from universities in WA. Less than fifteen percent of the total number of enrolments originated from interns that graduated from either interstate or overseas universities.

For each cohort, workshops were presented over two days on two occasions during the year. It is a stipulation by the APC that every ITP have at least 25 hours face-to-face with the interns in small groups. The aim of the workshops is to provide a small group learning environment for interns to discuss and increase their depth of knowledge across a broad range of topics in sessions facilitated by a pharmacist or other practitioner considered to be an expert in the topic. Topics included Diabetes, Wound Care, Pregnancy and Lactation, Legislation, Opioid substitution, Mental Health, Ethics and Oral Exam Preparation

To aid assessment of candidates' competence to practise, the NITP required each intern to complete a variety of assessments, mostly via an online portal, throughout the year. These were marked by pharmacists who are trained appropriately in this area. Further, preceptors were required to submit appraisals of the intern's competence in the workplace environment at three intervals during the year to assist in monitoring intern progress towards achievement of the Competency Standards for Pharmacists in Australia 2010.

Preceptors were given support via an online forum and online training provided by PSA, for all Preceptors, whose intern is currently enrolled in the NITP. PSWA also held a training and information evening in February 2011 to support Preceptors in WA.

Last year the NITP in WA was audited by the APC in November 2011. The APC report concluded that we were running the programme to a high level across all areas.

The year saw some transitioning in personnel for the NITP in WA, Celia Sansom and Bree Armstrong were employed in January to coordinate the programme. In March Bree moved to the position of CPD manager. The rest of the year Celia Sansom was employed as the NITP WA Co-ordinator and was ably helped by Tracy Wilkins who was employed in a part-time capacity, focusing on intern assessments and oral examination preparation.

## **7. CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

### **ANNUAL GOLD QUESTIONNAIRE**

The Annual Gold Questionnaire writing committee held eight meetings during the year to devise questions for the Annual Gold Questionnaire. Eight hundred and ninety seven WA pharmacists attempted the questionnaire on the PSWA website and three thousand four hundred and eighty pharmacists answered the assessment on the PSA website. The dramatic increase in numbers of pharmacists completing the questionnaire both in the State and nationally has confirmed the importance of continuing to produce this educational resource.

### **MONTHLY LECTURE SERIES**

The Society's 2011 lecture series was again supported by some of the State's expert clinicians, presenting a high quality programme to help practitioners stay abreast of developments in knowledge and treatments. The presentations were recorded via the venue's state of the art recording device which enabled access

through the Society's website for practitioners who were unable to attend. From June, the lectures were accredited by the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia and an assessment was made available based on the learning objectives so Group 2 CPD credits could be claimed.

Topics presented in the year's programme were:

- Pharmaceutical Services Branch
- Sleep disorders
- Chemotherapy in the community (104 attended)
- Antibiotic prescribing (149 attended)
- Epilepsy laid bare (128 attended)
- Inflammatory bowel disorder (168 attended)
- Rheumatoid arthritis (68 attended)
- Parkinson's disease (100 attended)
- Dermatology (123 attended)

### **CLINICAL SUPER SERIES**

The Clinical super series was held again this year. The Respiratory theme was finished early in the year and then four lectures were held on the 'Endocrine' theme. These lectures were all accredited and qualified for Group 2 CPD credits.

The topics in the Endocrine series were:

- The management of Type 2 diabetes (166 attended)
- Insulin therapy (175 attended)
- Thyroid function (82 attended)
- Osteoporosis (124 attended)

### **ANNUAL SEMINAR**

Four hundred and thirty two delegates attended the Society's Annual Seminar 'Professional services through pharmacy- making them work for you.' The seminar explored a range of issues relating to professional services implementation including blood pressure and cholesterol monitoring in the pharmacy, the provision of a blood glucose screening programme and how to make a pharmacy profitable in the current financial climate.

Society members gained from the clinical experience and expertise of:

Ms Rebecca Dugmore – cardiovascular

Mr Mark Coles – Diabetes

Ms Natalia Forrest - Respiratory

Mr Bruce Annabel – ‘Doing It’

The seminar was supported by the pharmaceutical industry and professional bodies whose exhibitors contributed to the success of the event. Displays were of a high standard reflecting the considerable investment made by exhibitors and included materials and information that augmented the day’s learning experience.

### **ACCREDITED PHARMACIST TRAINING & SUPPORT**

The Society again ran a number of Stage 1 preparatory training courses for medication management review (MMR) accreditation. Seventy-one pharmacists completed the training, of which a significant proportion has proceeded to the assessment phase of accreditation. Once completed, this entitles them to conduct MMRs in both the domiciliary (Home Medicines Reviews) and aged care (Residential Medication Management Review) settings.

An educational evening was held specifically for accredited pharmacists to discuss the changes to the HMR/RMMR business rules, identify changes to the management of dyslipidaemia and to network. Three sessions are planned for the next year for this group.

### **RURAL CPD ACTIVITIES**

A series of presentations was held in regional Western Australia entitled Diabetes- A Refresher. The presentations were held in Geraldton, Albany and Bunbury. This year we will be extending this service to Kalgoorlie.

### **ADDITIONAL CPD ACTIVITIES**

The Medicines Update evening series saw pharmacists updated on the new and emerging treatments for a range of clinical conditions including, cardiovascular and respiratory complaints, diabetes and neurological conditions, pain management and mental health

The Clinical Interventions in Pharmacy workshop was held in conjunction with PSA in October 2012. On completion, this very successful workshop enabled pharmacists to practically implement this professional service in their pharmacy.

Anaphylaxis training was held for pharmacists over two evenings resulting in 168 pharmacists and pharmacy interns being trained in the correct procedure to administer the adrenaline devices.

### **FIRST AID COURSES**

A Senior First Aid Course, subsidised for members was run in October. The Australian Lifesaving Academy- Western Australia has been engaged to deliver this service. Three courses are planned for 2012.

### **SPONSORSHIP**

The dermatology lecture was sponsored by LEO Pharma. The Society is most grateful for this assistance to the profession.

## **8. ANNUAL PRIZE AND PRESENTATION NIGHT**

The Society's high profile Annual Prize and Presentation Night was held in April before an audience of Life Members, Councillors, special guests, preceptors and new registrants.

Newly registered pharmacists were presented to the Society and high achievers in the pre-registration training programme as well as pharmacists who have made great contributions to the Society were acknowledged.

A highlight of the event was the presentation of the Eric Kirk Memorial Award.

Eric Kirk was an eminent leader who was responsible for significant developments in the profession. An award which recognises outstanding contributions to the development of professional practice in Western Australia was instituted to commemorate his legacy. It was awarded to Mr Michael Cain.

The Kevin McAnuff Memorial Address was delivered by Neil Keen, who had been freshly appointed to the position of Chief Pharmacist in the WA Department of Health.

Generous sponsorship by Pharmaceutical Defence Limited enabled the staging of this major event.

## **9. J. M. O'HARA RESEARCH FUND**

As part of its duty of managing the Pharmaceutical Society of Western Australia the Council has managed the Society's J M O'Hara Research Fund since it was established in 1976 and this was taken over by the Society on October 18<sup>th</sup> 2010.

The Fund's objects include the granting of assistance for research in any branch of pharmaceutical sciences or in any aspect of the practice of pharmacy.

Assets currently stand at \$260,976 and have been accumulated entirely from the donations of Society members and interest.

Grants totaling \$110,328 have been provided over the years to Society members to assist with research projects.

A project from Dr Rhonda Clifford entitled "Privacy in Western Australian Community Pharmacies" was completed. An interim report was delivered and a complete paper will be submitted.

The project from Liza Seubert entitled, Improving patient assessment in community pharmacy: Is WWHAMM working?, to the value of \$7,400, was continuing and was due to be complete in July 2012. An interim report was delivered.

The committee considered two applications which they believed required more work and they were returned to the applicants for possible resubmission.



The Society's board is grateful to Associate Professor Malcolm Roberts, Kristine Jarvis, Susan White, Adriana Kaminski and Jeannie Misko for conducting the Fund's business during the year.

The committee decided to have two rounds of funding in 2012 in an effort to encourage further grant applications. The first will close on 31<sup>st</sup> March.

### **Income and Expenditure Statement**

<i>Received</i>	<b><u>2010</u></b>	<b><u>2011</u></b>
Donations	7465	8189
Interest	12930	11871
 <i>Less Payments</i>		
Project Grants	6450	7400
 <i>Net Income (Outgoing)</i>	 13495	 12660

### **Funds Statement at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2010**

<i>Assets</i>		
Bank West	24866	23001
 <i>Liabilities</i>		
	0	0
 <i>Net Assets</i>	 248316	 260976

## **10. COMMUNICATION WITH MEMBERS**

The Society continued to publish its regular bulletin, *Rescript*, to all members. There were five issues last year. The format was changed a little to make the publication a little more colourful.

The publication brought contributions from the Department of Health, the Schools of Pharmacy at Curtin University of Technology, the University of Western Australia and Murdoch University as well as disease foundations and associations.

It also carried articles on counselling, complementary medicines, practice matters, practical training, continuing professional development and practice improvement, registration of premises changes and comment on items of current interest.

The Society's website is maintained as a source of information on matters affecting the Society's members including a section designed to assist them with professional matters.

This year we introduced a weekly email message to all members which gave interesting information, upcoming CE events and various notices considered important. This was called “Mondays with Mike”.

## **11. REPRESENTATION OF THE PROFESSION**

The Society and the profession were represented in meetings with:

- Pharmaceutical Society of Australia
- Medicare Locals and Divisions of General Practice
- Officers in various sections of the Department of Health
- Officers of the Australian Medical Association
- W.A. Council on the Ageing
- Office of Health Review
- Health Consumers' Council
- Pharmaceutical manufacturers and distributors
- Pharmaceutical Defence Limited
- Pharmacy Guild
- Representatives of Disease State Organisations
- Other Health Professions Registration Authorities

The interaction with the various Medicare Locals was important to maintain the profile of pharmacy at those forums. The President has joined the Society up to a number of these and is active in attending those meetings. He is also a member of the Health Governance Special Interest Group which is working nationally and he has formed the Primary Health Care Group, consisting of physiotherapists, podiatrists, psychologists, chiropractors and pharmacists to advance the cause of all those professions in Medicare Locals.