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Denver Pharmacist Wendy Anderson Honored for Outstanding Community Service

Washington, DC – The Colorado Pharmacists Society (CPS) has selected Wendy Anderson as the recipient of the 2014 Bowl of Hygeia Award for outstanding community service. Anderson was presented with the award during the Colorado Pharmacists Society’s Annual Meeting on August 8, 2014. The Bowl of Hygeia is sponsored by the American Pharmacists Association (APhA) Foundation, the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations, and the American Pharmacists Association with support from Boehringer Ingelheim.

Anderson is a graduate of the School of Pharmacy at the University of Colorado. She was selected as a Bowl of Hygeia recipient in honor of her service to her community in Colorado. As program director of the Colorado State Board of Pharmacy, Anderson protected the safety and welfare of Colorado’s citizens. She has also been an active member of the Colorado Pharmacy Coalition and National Association of Boards of Pharmacy. Her service on the Colorado Pharmacy Coalition was invaluable in keeping the pharmacist community in the state informed of changes to pharmacy laws and rules while providing insight into some of the challenges faced by the state board of pharmacy and its staff.

Anderson played a vital role in the Pharmacy Sunset Review, a periodic assessment of state boards, programs, and functions to determine whether or not they should be continued by the legislature. She helped make the sunset review process as productive as possible while protecting the interests of the public. She also worked closely with the Colorado Pharmacists Society to help coordinate and develop comprehensible messages for legislators on pharmacy-related issues.

Established in 1958, the Bowl of Hygeia Award recognizes pharmacists who possess outstanding records of civic leadership in their communities and encourages pharmacists to take active roles in the affairs of their respective communities. The award is presented annually by participating state pharmacist associations, including those in the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. In addition to service through their local, state and national pharmacy associations, award recipients have devoted their time, talent and resources to a wide variety of causes and community service.

The Bowl of Hygeia is the most widely recognized international symbol for the pharmacy profession and is considered one of the profession’s most prestigious awards. The Bowl of Hygeia has been associated with the pharmacy profession since as early as 1796 when the symbol was used on a coin minted for the Parisian Society of Pharmacy. The bowl represents a medicinal potion and the snake represents healing. Healing through medicine is precisely why the pharmacy profession has adopted the Bowl of Hygeia symbol.

Information regarding contributing to the Bowl of Hygeia future is available by contacting the APhA Foundation at 202-429-7565 or info@aphafoundation.org.

About the American Pharmacists Association Foundation

The APhA Foundation, a nonprofit organization based in Washington, D.C., is a trusted source of research demonstrating how pharmacists can improve health care. The APhA Foundation’s mission is to improve people’s health through pharmacists’ patient care services. The APhA Foundation is affiliated with the American Pharmacists Association, the

national professional society of pharmacists in the U.S. For more information, please visit the APhA Foundation website www.aphafoundation.org. Follow the APhA Foundation on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) for the latest updates.

About the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations

The National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations (NASPA) promotes leadership, sharing, learning, and policy exchange among pharmacy leaders in all 50 states and Washington, DC, and provides education and advocacy to support pharmacists, patients, and communities working together to improve public health. NASPA was founded in 1927 as the National Council of State Pharmacy Association Executives (NCSPA). For more information, please visit the NASPA website www.naspa.us.