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Williamson Pharmacist Nicole McNamee and Berkeley Springs Pharmacist Arlie Winters Honored for Outstanding Community Service

Washington, DC – The West Virginia Pharmacists Association has selected Nicole D. McNamee as the recipient of the 2014 Bowl of Hygeia Award for outstanding community service. McNamee was presented with the award during the West Virginia Pharmacists Association’s Installation and Awards dinner on August 23, 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.

McNamee graduated from the University of Kentucky School of Pharmacy with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 1997. She has been owner and operator of Hurley Drug Company in Williamson, WV, for 15 years. Her pharmacy provides medication therapy management, pharmaceutical care, immunizations, and diabetes education to patients. In addition to her work in pharmacy, McNamee served on the Williamson City Council from 1999 to 2007. During that time, she secured a grant to have a dilapidated grade school building torn down and replaced with a playground for children. She also worked with civic leaders to build the Mingo County Department of Health and Human Resources building in Williamson.

She completed the American Pharmacists Association’s Diabetes certification program, and provides diabetes care to West Virginia public employees. She also provides Medicare Part D counseling and has been certified to give immunizations since 2009. She has been an active member of the West Virginia Pharmacists Association since 1997 and a member of the National Community Pharmacists Association.

The 2013 Bowl of Hygeia Award recipient for West Virginia, Arlie Winters, was also honored at the Installation and Awards dinner on August 23, 2014. Winters is an inspector for the West Virginia Board of Pharmacy. He owned his own pharmacy in Berkeley Springs, WV, for over 20 years.

Winters is a 1954 graduate of the West Virginia University School of Pharmacy. After graduation, he served as first lieutenant in the United States Army until 1959. He was president of the West Virginia Pharmacists Association in 1984. He is also a member of the American Pharmacists Association.

Winters has been elected to the Berkeley County Board of Education two times. He has also served as a member of his community’s Chamber of Commerce and Town Council, as well as the Presbyterian Church in Berkeley Springs.

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.