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**Colorado Pharmacist Catherine L. Jarvis Honored for Outstanding Community Service**

**WASHINGTON, DC –** The Colorado Pharmacists Society (CPS) has selected Catherine L. Jarvis, PharmD, as the recipient of the 2018 Bowl of Hygeia Award for outstanding community service. Jarvis was presented the award at the Colorado Pharmacists Society Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 21, 2018. The Bowl of Hygeia is sponsored by the American Pharmacists Association Foundation, the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations, and the American Pharmacists Association, with support from Boehringer Ingelheim.

Jarvis has contributed to her community since graduating from the University of Colorado, Denver. She currently serves as academia pharmacist at the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. Jarvis has been awarded many grants, published articles and chapters in multiple journals and books, and has been involved in educating thousands of pharmacy students over the course of her teaching career. She has been elected to a number of offices and volunteered to serve on many different committees for organizations such as the Colorado Pharmacists Society, Community Campus Partnerships for Health, American College of Clinical Pharmacy, and the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy.

As a member of the Colorado Pharmacists Society, Jarvis has maintained involvement long after her term as President was completed. She continues to attend Board of Director meetings when she is able and participates on the Continuing Education Committee to ensure the success of the society. Her dedication to pharmacy and the organizations that support pharmacists is truly remarkable.

Jarvis’ civic organization and community service includes 9 News Health Fair pharmacist volunteer, pharmacist and pharmacy student volunteer coordinator; the Oley Foundation community based support system for home enteral or parenteral nutrition patients Colorado Rural Health Scholars Program; and 2003 - 2010 Volunteer Pharmacist, Stout Street Clinic for the Homeless.

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 an active role 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.

**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](http://www.aphafoundation.org/). Follow the APhA Foundation on [Twitter](http://www.twitter.com/aphafoundation) and [Facebook](http://www.facebook.com/aphafoundation) 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 (NCSPAE). For more information, please visit the NASPA website [www.naspa.us](http://www.naspa.us).