The APhA Foundation Executive Fellowship is a one-year postgraduate training program conducted at the Headquarters of the American Pharmacists Association Foundation in Washington, DC. Coordinated under the APhA Foundation, along with APhA senior staff, this fellowship aims to train pharmacy graduates in the many aspects of association management.

Purpose and Objectives
Train individuals for leadership positions within the profession and in national, regional, state, and local professional pharmacy or other health-related organizations

Develop skills and knowledge in four major competency areas:

- Leadership and Advocacy
- Association Management & Operations
- Pharmacy Practice Advancement
- Constituent Engagement

Complete a Certificate in Association Management Awarded by the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE)

Past Experiences

“"This residency exposed me to pharmacy on a national level and gave me the opportunity to work alongside top leaders to empower pharmacists to care for patients. It also taught me how to deliver educational products, generate innovative practice resources, and shape legislative policies. By working with the creative and driven team at APhA, I gained a deeper understanding of what it means to advocate for the profession and what it takes to have an impact on pharmacy practice.”

Meg Freiter, Executive Resident 2019-2020
Senior Manager, Pharmacy Practice
American Pharmacists Association
South Carolina College of Pharmacy, Class of 2019

“The Executive Residency taught me how to work collaboratively within pharmacy, as well as building consensus with other allied health care organizations, to improve the health of our communities. Through my time at APhA, I was able to develop lasting relationships with national pharmacy leaders that continue to positively influence my development as a pharmacist and prepared me for my next role in association management.”

Rajan Vaidya, Executive Resident 2018-2019
Vice President, Practice & Professional Development
California Pharmacists Association (CPHA)
Keck Graduate Institute, Class of 2018

“The APhA Foundation Executive Residency helped me develop the skills, connections, grit, and resilience to lead at the national level. Investing a year of my career at APhA provided me opportunities to meaningfully contribute to the advancement of our profession while learning from APhA members, stakeholders, and colleagues.”

Lindsay Kunkle, Executive Resident 2010-2011
Associate Vice President, Pharmacy Profiles and ADVANCE®
American Pharmacists Association
Rutgers University Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy
Class of 2010
The mission of the APhA Foundation is to improve health by inspiring philanthropy, research and innovation that advances pharmacists’ patient care services. The APhA Foundation looks to create a new medication use system where patients, pharmacists, physicians and other health care professionals collaborate to dramatically improve the cost effectiveness and quality of patient health outcomes.

**HISTORY**

The APhA Foundation Executive Fellowship has a rich tradition of developing leaders dating back to 1987. Initially started as a joint venture between APhA and NCSPAE, the program aims to train pharmacy graduates for leadership positions. Thanks to a pledge made by the Knowlton Foundation in 2008, the APhA Foundation Executive Residency in Association Management & Leadership was reestablished through the Knowlton Center for Pharmacist-Based Health Solutions. In 2019, the term Fellowship was adopted to reflect the highly individualized nature of the program and more closely align with terminology used by similar post-graduate programs in association management and leadership.

**QUALIFICATIONS & SELECTION OF THE FELLOW**

- Graduate of an Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) accredited college or school of pharmacy
- Recommended by present or former employers, preceptors, college faculty, or dean
- Selection of the Fellow shall be the responsibility of the APhA Foundation Executive Director through a selection committee

**DEADLINES:**

Apply online by **December 31, 2021**. Applicants will be notified of the selection committee’s decision no later than **February 2022**.

To learn more about the Executive Fellowship and the application process, visit aphafoundation.org/knowlton-center

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