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Scarborough Pharmacist Kenneth McCall III Honored for Outstanding Community Service

Washington, DC – The Maine Pharmacy Association (MPA) has selected Kenneth L. McCall III as the recipient of the 2015 Bowl of Hygeia Award for outstanding community service. McCall was presented with the award at the MPA Annual Meeting Awards Banquet on Saturday, September 12. 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.

McCall is an employee of the University of New England. He earned his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Oklahoma and completed his ambulatory care residency at the University of Oklahoma and Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

McCall is actively involved in the pharmacy profession and is known for always putting patient care first. He is a leader in legislative affairs impacting pharmacy on both the state and federal level. In addition to advocating on behalf of the profession, he has led the immunization training and education of numerous pharmacists in his region. McCall served on the Board of Directors of the Maine Pharmacy Association from 2009-2014, including as president from 2010-2014. He also previously served as program coordinator for the West Texas Pharmacy Association.

At the national level, McCall has served with the American Pharmacists Association as a representative to the House of Delegates for several years, as well as with the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations as a state representative. He has also been actively involved with the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy and served as an editorial reviewer with the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of HealthInfoNet, Maine's health information exchange.

Outside of the pharmacy arena, McCall serves his community in a variety of ways. He has served as a volunteer pharmacist with the Biddeford Free Clinic and a volunteer pharmacist immunizer with the Maine Veterans Affairs Healthcare System and the Amarillo Texas Veterans Affairs Healthcare System. He is the 2008 recipient of the Veterans Affairs Best Practice Vision Award for Immunization Services.

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.

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 (NCSPAE). For more information, please visit the NASPA Web site www.naspa.us.