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Al-Amin Ahamed

[NOTE FROM THE EDITOR]

Hello everyone,

I'm thrilled to be writing to you as the new Editor of *Hospital Pharmacy in Ontario (HPO)*! Having been part of the CSHP Ontario Branch Communications Committee since 2021, I've seen firsthand the value of this publication in connecting and supporting our hospital pharmacy community — and I'm incredibly excited to now help shape that work from the editor's desk.

First, I want to give a huge thank you to **Wei Wei**, who's done an amazing job leading HPO. Their dedication and vision have left some big shoes to fill, and I'm grateful for the strong foundation they've built. I also want to shout out the fantastic **Communications Committee** — especially my Co-Chair, **Victor**

Lam. I'm really looking forward to continuing to collaborate with this passionate team, bringing you stories, updates, and insights that reflect the strength, innovation, and heart of hospital pharmacy in Ontario.

While I'm currently completing my **Medical Operations & Transformation Residency at Sanofi**, my roots are firmly in hospital pharmacy. I've had the opportunity to learn and grow through experiences at both the **Hospital for Sick Children** and **Grand River Hospital** — and I remain a proud and active member of the CSHP-OB community. Supporting and empowering our profession has always been important to me, and I'm excited to continue doing that through this new role.

In this issue, we're bringing you a great mix of updates and highlights, including a recap of this year's **Ontario Hospital Pharmacy Management Seminar (OHPMS)**, updates from our **Advocacy Committee**, an **address from our CSHP-OB President**, insights from our **National Delegate**, and everything you need to know to register for the **2025 Education Conference**.

Thank you for being part of this amazing profession and community. I'm truly honoured to be stepping into this role and can't wait to connect with many of you in the issues ahead.

Take care,

Al-Amin Ahamed
Editor, Hospital Pharmacy in Ontario





Ariane Blanc

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS: CSHP OB PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS SUMMER-AUTUMN 2025

Dear committed members, engaged volunteers and council peers, distinguished supporters and guests of the Canadian Society of Healthcare-Systems Pharmacy Ontario Branch.

As we head into the fall, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on what has been a truly exciting and rewarding year for our CSHP Ontario Branch. I continue to feel so grateful for the opportunity to serve as your President and to work alongside such a dedicated, passionate group of volunteers and members across the province.

Let's start with one of our biggest highlights of the year — CSHP **OHPMS 2025**, held on May 4–5th at Deerhurst Resort. It was another fantastic event, filled with rich discussions and expert insights. Topics included artificial intelligence



in pharmacy, real-world evidence, opioid stewardship, Pharmedlinks, medication management, leadership, unconscious bias and diversity, Supply Ontario, and climate and sustainability in healthcare. We also partnered once again with **Ivey Business School** for the Finance in Healthcare Leadership Course — a popular addition thanks to the coordination and leadership of **Ryan Itterman**.

A sincere thank you to our **OHPMS Planning Team**, led by co-chairs **Sunil Patel** and **Samantha Yau**, and to all the incredible speakers who made the event such a success.

Our **Spring Council meeting** last April was another important milestone, with updates shared by our **CEO Jody Ciuffo** and both the **National President Katie Hollis** and **Past National President Ashley Walus** on the newly launched **National Strategy and Branch Framework**. This work is setting the stage for greater collaboration and alignment across the country. Our **OB Treasurer, Tracy Gallina** presented a number of important financial updates, including the renewal of the **Fresenius Kabi Education Travel Grant**, the approval of a revised allocation policy, and a

balanced FY26 budget that will support some exciting initiatives for our members and volunteers. Council also approved a motion to reduce branch fees for CSHP OB membership FY26. We have also introduced a significantly reduced registration rate of **\$25 for OB members** attending the **CSHP OB Annual Conference**, and agreed to offer **free registration** to both **CSHP OB OHPMS and the CSHP OB Annual Branch Conference** for all **OB Council and Committee active volunteering members**.

FY26 BUDGET





PRESIDENT’S ADDRESS: CSHP OB PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS SUMMER-AUTUMN 2025... continued

We also approved the refreshed Terms of Reference for OB National Delegate by our **CSHP OB National Delegate Andrea Beaman**, and a summary of the recent **membership survey** that she led on top of all her other work for our branch. The feedback and insights we received will play an important role in shaping our future direction — thank you to Andrea for her leadership and to all who contributed.



A very special moment this year is the upcoming **retirement of our CEO, Jody Ciuffo**. We are incredibly grateful for Jody’s visionary leadership and the many ways she has helped shape and elevate our association. Her unwavering commitment, innovative thinking, and ability to bring people together have left a lasting legacy. Under her leadership, we’ve seen the development of a **brand-new, inclusive national name** in English and French, and



an inspiring strategy that will guide us for years to come. Jody has also been a strong supporter of our Ontario Branch — regularly attending and presenting at our provincial events and celebrating the work happening here. She will

be deeply missed, and we thank her wholeheartedly for her support, inspiration, and the momentum she has created. **National is currently recruiting for our next CEO**, and we look forward to welcoming a new leader to continue building on the strong foundation she leaves behind.

It was also a proud moment for Ontario to host the **CSHP PPC National Conference in Ottawa** this year, drawing pharmacy professionals from across Canada to our province. The energy, collaboration, and ideas shared at that event were a powerful reminder of the strength of our national community and the impact we can have when we come together.



Our **Advocacy Committee**, led by our **Past President Andrea Wist** and **President Elect Anthony Amadio**, has also had a productive year. Among their many initiatives, they have continued to advocate for lab ordering authority for pharmacists and worked closely with our **Primary Care Co-Chair, Joey Champigny**, to strengthen the role of pharmacy within interdisciplinary teams.



PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS: CSHP OB PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS SUMMER-AUTUMN 2025... continued

The committee has also been engaging with the Ministry to discuss ongoing system challenges and opportunities for pharmacy leadership in that specialty. These efforts reflect our continued commitment to championing health-care systems pharmacy across the province.



Looking ahead, we're excited about the upcoming **OB Annual Conference, AGM, and Awards Ceremony**, taking place on **November 22th at Centennial College (Progress Avenue) in Scarborough**. The **CSHP OB Education committee**, led by



Sandrine Bourgeois-Tardif and **Annie Cho**, and the **CSHP OB Awards Committee**, led by **Suzy Badr** and **Quoc-Huy Pham**, have been working hard to put together a meaningful and engaging program. We look forward to welcoming both members and non-members for a day full of learning, networking, and recognition.

As we prepare for the months ahead, we also take a moment to recognize some important transitions within our volunteer team. This summer, we are bidding farewell to several dedicated individuals whose contributions have left a lasting impact. Thank you to **Wei Wei**, our outgoing Communications Co-Chair, and to **Sunil Patel** and **Samantha Yau**, who have led OHPMS with excellence for many years. We are also grateful to **Sanjit Purewal, National and Branch Operations Coordinator**, for all the support and coordination over the past term. Among multiple initiatives, he supported the launch of our new Sharepoint platform and Council email addresses for our Branch, alongside **Andrea Beaman**. Recruitment for this role is currently underway.

At the same time, we are pleased to welcome several new leaders to the Ontario Branch. **Alicia Niven** has stepped into the role of incoming National Delegate, and we extend our thanks to **Andrea Beaman**, who will be concluding her term later this fall but remaining with us a while longer. We also welcome **Al-Amin Ahamed** as our new Communications Co-Chair, and **Kathy Planinac** and **Trent Simmons** as our new OHPMS Co-Chairs. We're confident that their leadership and enthusiasm will continue to strengthen our branch activities.





PRESIDENT’S ADDRESS: CSHP OB PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS SUMMER-AUTUMN 2025... continued

We are always looking for new voices and ideas to join our team. There are several volunteer opportunities currently available, including positions on the **Awards Committee, Membership Committee,** and the **Incoming President – Internal Portfolio.** Volunteering is a great way to connect with peers, contribute to the profession, and help shape the future of hospital pharmacy in Ontario. If you’re interested, we encourage you to reach out or visit our website for more details: <https://cshp-scph.ca/ontario-volunteer-opportunities>



I also want to take a moment to extend a heartfelt thank you to our incredible **CSHP Ontario Branch Executive Team — Andrea Wist, Anthony Amadio, Andrea Beaman,** and **Tracy Gallina.** Over the past year, we’ve had many meaningful and energizing conversations, and I continue to be inspired by their leadership, vision, and dedication. They do so much behind the scenes to support our work and our members, and it’s truly been an honour to volunteer alongside each

of them. I’m deeply grateful for their partnership and commitment to advancing healthcare systems pharmacy in Ontario.

To everyone who has contributed to OB this year — whether through council, committees, event planning, or advocacy — thank you. Your energy and commitment are what drive our branch forward. It’s been an honour to serve

as your President, and I look forward to the months ahead as we continue to build momentum together.

Sincerely,

Ariane Blanc
CSHP President – Ontario Branch





Sunil Patel

THE ANNUAL CSHP-OB HOSPITAL PHARMACY MANAGEMENT SEMINAR (OHPMS)

The annual CSHP-OB Hospital Pharmacy Management Seminar (OHPMS) continues to serve as a vital educational forum for Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians in leadership positions across Ontario. In the context of an increasingly complex and challenging healthcare environment, OHPMS offers an invaluable platform for knowledge exchange and the dissemination of best practices among a network of experienced professionals.

This year's seminar leveraged the diverse expertise within our hospital pharmacy networks, featuring volunteer speakers who generously shared their insights across various domains, including business, operations, and technology. Their willingness to impart knowledge is instrumental in fostering continuous improvement



and operational excellence at individual hospital sites.

Once again this year, the Financial Literacy Program was offered to pharmacy leaders seeking to enhance their financial acumen. Developed by a CSHP-OB Past President and the Ivey School of Business, the session covered essential financial analysis skills for decision-making and business case development.

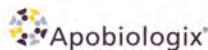
We extend our sincere gratitude to our valued sponsors. Their unwavering support is instrumental to OHPMS's success, allowing us to consistently deliver a high-caliber program. This commitment enriches the professional development of hospital pharmacy leaders among our registrants and delegates. We truly appreciate their partnership in making this event a success year after year.



The May 2025 conference tackled a range of trending and highly relevant topics, reflecting the dynamic nature of hospital pharmacy. Key discussions included:

- **Emerging Technologies:** Artificial Intelligence and Real World Evidence
- **Hospital Pharmacy Operations:** Opioid Stewardship and Hospital

THE ANNUAL CSHP-OB OHPMS... continued



OHPMS CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Sunday, May 4



11:30 - 12:45 | Registration & Lunch | [Peninsula Room](#)

12:45 - 13:00 | Welcome & Conference Kick-Off | [Peninsula Room](#)

13:00 - 14:15 | Keynote Speaker: Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare & Pharmacy | [Peninsula Room](#)
Dr. M. Mamdani, VP of Data Science and Advanced Analytics, Unity Health Toronto



14:15 - 16:15 | Real World Evidence – Introduction and what you need to know today as Pharmacy Leaders! | [Peninsula Room](#)
Dr. M. Tadrous, Assistant Professor, Drug Safety, Health Services Research, University of Toronto

16:15 - 16:30 | HEALTH BREAK



16:30 - 17:15 | Hospital Pharmacy in Canada Preliminary “Hot Topics” Highlights | [Peninsula Room](#)
Dr. Allan Mills, Director of Pharmacy, Trillium Health Partners

17:15 - 18:15 | CONCURRENT SESSIONS



Opioid Stewardship/Diversion Policies | [Peninsula Room](#)
Kim Botsford, Director of Pharmacy Hamilton Health Sciences
Eric Romeril, Clinical Resource Pharmacist, Hamilton Health Sciences



Medication Management - Expanded Services | [Peninsula Room](#)
Kavita Puri, Pharmacy Services Manager, Mackenzie Health
Anna Huisman, Director of Pharmacy, Lennox and Addington County General Hospital
Michael Charron, Clinical and Research Manager, London Health Sciences

18:15 - 19:00 | FREE TIME

19:00 - 20:00 | DINNER | [Eclipse Restaurant](#)



20:00 | NETWORKING & RECEPTION
Pharmacy Leaders Playground: Where Learning and Networking Collide | [Rotunda](#)



Monday, May 5



7:30 - 8:25 | Breakfast | [Eclipse Restaurant](#)



8:25 - 8:30 | Welcome | [Peninsula Room](#)

8:30 - 10:00 | Bias to Brilliance: Harnessing Cognitive Diversity for Inclusive Leadership | [Peninsula Room](#)
Alexandre Messager, Founder & Principal Consultant, Human Leadership Humain

10:00-10:30 | HEALTH BREAK
Check-out before 11:00



10:30 - 11:30 | Introduction and Learning Session about Supply Ontario | [Peninsula Room](#)
Sunita Chander, Chief Strategy, Pro-grams and Partnerships Officer, Supply Ontario



11:30 - 12:30 | Leading Climate Conscious Care in Hospital Pharmacies | [Peninsula Room](#)
Ivy Lam, Pharmacy Innovation Lead - CASCADES



12:30 - 13:00 | CSHP Ontario Branch Updates | [Peninsula Room](#)
CSHP Ontario Branch, Executive and OHPMS Committee Members

13:00 - 14:00 | LUNCH | [Peninsula Room](#)



THE ANNUAL CSHP-OB OHPMS... continued



YOUR CSHP-OB HOSPITAL PHARMACY MANAGEMENT SEMINAR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Pharmacy Expanded Hours of Service

- **Environmental Responsibility:** Sustainability and our role as stewards for the environment
- **Inclusive Leadership:** Understanding bias and how to harness it for more inclusive leadership practices

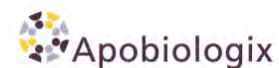
Looking ahead, OHPMS remains committed to equipping hospital pharmacy leaders with the knowledge and tools necessary to navigate the evolving healthcare landscape, driving innovation and ultimately enhancing patient care across Ontario. We eagerly anticipate another successful event next year, continuing to build on the collaborative spirit and expertise shared within our community.

Sunil Patel,
OHPMS Committee Co-Chair



OHPMS Conference 2025

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TEN HIGHLIGHTS FROM CSHP NATIONAL CSHP ONTARIO BRANCH NATIONAL DELEGATE UPDATE, AUG 2025



Andrea Beaman

CSHP Ontario Branch National Delegate (2022-2025)



Alicia Niven

CSHP Ontario Branch National Delegate (2025-2028)

Meet the new CSHP OB National Delegate

As my three-year term as OB Delegate to the CSHP National Board comes to a close, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for the opportunity to serve in this role.

This Delegate term has been full of memorable milestones for both CSHP National as well as the Ontario Branch. It has been an honour to contribute to the important work of both the National Board and Branch Council. I have deeply valued the collaborative spirit, thoughtful dialogue, and shared commitment of all CSHP members I have met during this

term. I was awed by the passion and commitment of fellow volunteers at both the OB and National Board, who are dedicated to advancing all aspects of the pharmacy profession.

Thank you for your trust, your support, and for the many ways you've made this experience personally and professionally meaningful. I look forward to staying connected and supporting CSHP in the future. I'm so excited to see what we can achieve together!

I am pleased to pass the torch to the incoming Delegate, Alicia Niven. Alicia will step into the OB National Delegate role at the upcoming National Board meeting in October, as well as the Branch Council meeting in November.

It is with great enthusiasm that I accept the torch as incoming Delegate from Andrea as I start my three-year term as OB Delegate to the CSHP National Board this coming Fall. I have been fortunate to work with and learn from great leaders these past few years at the Ontario Branch level and look forward to continuing this collaborative work at National.

[TEN HIGHLIGHTS FROM CSHP NATIONAL... continued]

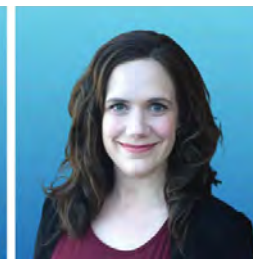
2 Meet the 2025 CSHP National Executive



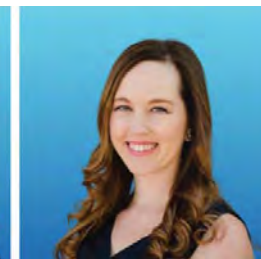
Katie Hollis
President / Présidente



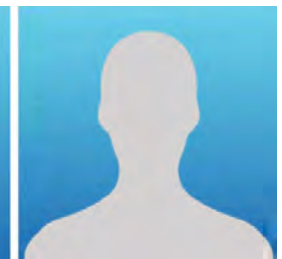
Ashley Walus
Past President /
Présidente sortant



Mary Gunther
President Elect /
Présidente désignée



Megan Riordon
Treasurer / Trésorière



Chief Executive Officer /
Directrice générale
- to be announced

3 Retirement of Jody Ciufu, CSHP CEO

In March 2025, CSHP announced that Jody Ciufu will be leaving CSHP after almost seven years of leadership as CEO to begin her retirement. Under Jody's guidance, the organization has undergone a significant transformation, strengthening its position as a modern and forward-thinking professional association.

During Jody's tenure, Canadian Society of Healthcare-Systems Pharmacy (CSHP) successfully implemented its Strategic Plan Toward Sustainability which revamped operations, increased membership, and returned to balanced budgets. She played a key role in shaping the Society's vision and ensuring its long-term sustainability. CSHP President Katie Hollis expressed gratitude for Jody's leadership and her significant impact on the organization during

the Elbows up Canadian Kitchen Party at PPC 2025.

Congratulations on your career achievements Jody! CSHP OB thanks you and wishes you all the best during your well-earned retirement!

The CSHP Board of Directors has engaged an executive search team to support the search for a new CEO to continue advancing the organization's mission.



[TEN HIGHLIGHTS FROM CSHP NATIONAL... continued]

4 Embracing Our Future: A Revised Name for CSHP

In case you missed it, as of [Oct 8, 2024](#), CSHP is now the **Canadian Society of Healthcare-Systems Pharmacy (CSHP)** / Société canadienne de pharmacie dans les réseaux de la santé (SCPRS).

Canadian Society of Healthcare-Systems Pharmacy  Société canadienne de pharmacie dans les réseaux de la santé

“Now, all our members – pharmacists and pharmacy technicians alike – see themselves and the diversity of care settings in which they practice in the new name.”

Katie Hollis, CSHP President.

5 Strategic Plan Update

CSHP celebrated the success of the [2020-2023 Strategic Plan](#) in Securing a Future for a Sustainable and Engaging CSHP. During 2024, the National Board undertook several rounds of strategic planning workshops, led by a professional facilitator, to guide the development of a renewed strategic plan for the Society. The work included refreshed [CSHP Mission, Vision and Values](#).

The 2024-2027 CSHP Strategic Plan will be launched to members across Canada this fall - watch for news in your inbox!



[TEN HIGHLIGHTS FROM CSHP NATIONAL... continued]

6 Education

CSHP held the Professional Practice Conference June 6 - 8, 2025 at the University of Ottawa's Downtown Campus. Thanks to everyone who made this a fun weekend of education, awards and networking for CSHP members from across Canada!

This year's conference topics included Equity in access to care, Sustainable Health systems and medication safety, Adaptation and resilience, Leadership development, Pharmacist led research, Health Canada updates, Pharmacy Technician scope of practice, Poster and Awards Presentations, and clinical topics in CKD, Oncology, Infectious Diseases.

Mark your calendars for **April 30 - May 2, 2026** when PPC moves east to **Halifax!**



Check out recent [CSHP Webinar](#) recordings that are available free for CSHP members to watch later at any time:

- August 06, 2025 - **Defining Hazardous Drugs: What If NIOSH Disappeared?** Fred Massoomi, Pharm.D., BCSCP, FASHP
- July 29, 2025 - **Prescription for Success: The Benefits of Publishing Your Research in the CJHP** Jessie Jiang & Stephen Shalansky
- July 24, 2025 - **Assessing Penicillin Allergies: A Clinical Approach to Better Outcomes** Melissa Kucey, BSP, ACPR
- June 24, 2025 - **Prescription for Practice Growth: Pharmacists Taking the Lead in Prescribing** Andrea Meade, Laura Minard, Tasha Ramsey
- June 18, 2025 - **HSO: Medication Management Standard Revision & Draft for Public Review** Dr. Regis Vaillancourt
- May 06, 2025 - **Bridging the Gap - Pharmacy Optimization of Hospital Discharge** Dr. Karen Dahri

[TEN HIGHLIGHTS FROM CSHP NATIONAL... continued]

7 Professional Practice - Communities of Practice



Practice At the heart of CSHP is community—a core value and an integral part of our strategic plan. Over the summer, CSHP announced that [CSHP Communities](#) will soon replace the Pharmacy Specialty Networks (PSNs) that are hosted on QID, offering a refreshed space

for members to connect, share, and grow together. The new CSHP Communities will be hosted directly on the CSHP.ca website. Each CSHP.ca Community will provide a dedicated space for discussion, knowledge exchange, and peer-to-peer support.

This transition will happen in stages, starting with the launch of five communities, and rolling out further to all PSNs over the course of the upcoming months.

How to join / log-in to a community:

- Navigate to [CSHP.ca/Communities](#)
- Select a Community you'd like to access from the table on the page.
- Log in to your CSHP account

- Join whichever Communities you would like. CSHP members and individual supporters may join as many Communities as they want.
- Talk - start a conversation with your colleagues from across the country

Tutorial: [How to log in, join a community, subscribe to a topic, and more.](#)

TEN HIGHLIGHTS FROM CSHP NATIONAL... continued

8 Professional Practice - Advocacy

CSHP Professional Practice team has provided healthcare-systems pharmacy's perspective on the following issues in recent months:

Drug Shortages

- [Shortage of Acetaminophen with opioid combination products \(CSHP\)](#)
- [Spironolactone Shortage \(CPhA, CSHP, CCS, CHFS\)](#)

US Tariffs

Important note:

- CSHP is working with relevant parties and federal government to protect the integrity of Canada's pharmaceutical supply chain.



Consultations

- [Canada's Drug Agency Consultation on a Proposed List of Essential Prescription Drugs and Related Products](#) | Submitted July 18, 2025 [Click here for a summary of the submission.](#)
- [Canada's Drug Agency Consultation on the Proposed Advice on a National Bulk Purchasing Strategy](#) | Submission is due August 1, 2025
- [Health Standards Organization Consultation: Update to CAN/HSO 3001:2025 Medication Management Standards](#) | Submission is due August 18, 2025
- [Health Standards Organization Consultation: Infection Prevention & Control Public Review](#) | Submission is due September 20, 2025

Have a question about CSHP's advocacy and consultation work? Please reach out to the [Professional Practice team!](#)

TEN HIGHLIGHTS FROM CSHP NATIONAL... continued

9 The CSHP Foundation's Board of Trustees is pleased to announce 2025's Grant & Scholarship recipients (July 1, 2025)

<https://cshp.ca/Site/Content/News/news-items/2025-fdn-grant-schol-recipients.aspx>

Congratulations to CSHP Ontario Branch recipients!



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2025 William McLean Innovation Grant

Developing an Advanced Training Program for Hospital Pharmacy Technicians

Allan Mills, Pharm.D., MBA, FCSHP, Director of Pharmacy at Trillium Health Partners, Mississauga ON

Katie Palmer, BSc, BScPhm, ACPR, CRE, Resource Pharmacist – Education Portfolio and Lead Residency Coordinator at Trillium Health Partners

This grant has been made possible by a bequest to the CSHP Foundation from the Estate of Dr. William (Bill) McLean.

Integrating Environmental Sustainability into Pharmacy Practice Grant

Environmental Stewardship: Reducing Pharmaceutical Waste from Medication Returns to Pharmacy at The Ottawa Hospital.

Dr. Randilynne Urslak, Clinical Pharmacist at The Ottawa Hospital and Adjunct Professor at the University of Ottawa

Funded by a donation from Sandoz

CSHP Foundation Education Grant

BPPC Excellence Summit 2025

Dr. Tobi Obatusin, Founder and Director of Strategy and Sponsorship for Black Pharmacy Professionals of Canada (BPPC)

2025 Pharmacy Leadership Academy (PLA) Scholarship

Alexandra McGrath, Pharmacy Clinical Practice Leader with Alberta Health Services

Sponsored by Fresenius Kabi

TEN HIGHLIGHTS FROM CSHP NATIONAL... continued

10 CSHP Membership Benefits

Did you know that your CSHP membership includes discounted access to the following resources:

- Professional Liability Insurance
- RX Files (via [CSHP RxFiles](#))
- EZResus (1 year subscription)
- Continuing Education Travel Grants (Sponsored by Fresenius Kabi)
- Compounding Briefing Series
- CSHP Hospital Pharmacy 101
- Pharmacy Residency Application Roadmap
- Professional Practice Conference and other Educational Events
- ASHP Reciprocal Member Benefits
- AMMI Canada CACMID Annual Conference
- Canadian Journal of Hospital Pharmacy

- Hospital Pharmacy in Canada Survey
- CSHP Awards
- 15% discount on print books from hundreds of publishers' titles
- Home, Auto, Travel Insurance

For more information please go to [Member Benefits](#)

BONUS

#11 Follow CSHP National

Keep up to date on all news, events and activities!

[Facebook](#) | [X \(Twitter\)](#)
[Instagram](#) | [LinkedIn](#)
Please reach out to delegate.ob@cshp-on.ca with any questions or feedback about CSHP National.

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MEMBERSHIP PRICE DROP!

- ✓ Free Subscription to RxFiles
- ✓ Low \$25 registration fee for CSHP OB members to attend Annual Conference
- ✓ CSHP OB Volunteers get FREE registration to CSHP Conferences (Annual and OHPMS)

+ MANY MORE BENEFITS

RENEW NOW

CSHP's membership year is from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

Renewing your membership is easy. Simply access [My Account](#) on CSHP.ca, hit the renew button, and update your information. If you need to make changes to Type, Fee Category, or Branch, please contact CSHP prior to renewing at membershipservices@cshp.ca.

CSHP ONTARIO ANNUAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025

We're excited about the CSHP **Ontario Annual Education Conference** – a must-attend event for pharmacy professionals across the province! Join us for a dynamic CE accredited program that explores the latest in clinical practice, technology, and leadership in pharmacy.

On behalf of the CSHP Ontario Branch Education Committee, we are excited to invite you to the 77th Annual Educational Conference—a full-day, in-person event bringing together pharmacy professionals from across Ontario in hospital, primary care, academia, and leadership. The conference agenda has been carefully curated to reflect the most current, relevant, and forward-thinking topics in pharmacy practice, including clinical innovation,

health technology, leadership development, and interprofessional collaboration.

Where:

Centennial College Event Centre,
Scarborough, Ontario

When:

Saturday, November 22, 2025
9:00am-5:45pm (ET)
Agenda coming soon!

Price:

\$25.00 | CSHP ON members
(Exclusive offer)
\$90.00 | CSHP member (non-ON
Branch member)
\$150.00 | Non-Members



Conference Program Highlights

Our CE-accredited program will feature dynamic presentations, hands-on workshops, and meaningful networking opportunities

Confirmed sessions include:

Dr. Muhammad Mamdani – Applied Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare: Implications for Clinical Pharmacy

Dr. Marisa Battistella – Medication Mindfulness: Implementation and evaluation of deprescribing program for patients with chronic kidney disease

Dr. Pamela Ip – New drugs on the market: HIV Prevention

CSHP Ontario Branch Awards

The day will also include a dedicated **Awards Luncheon celebrating innovation, research, and leadership within the profession.** These awards honour excellence in hospital pharmacy across a range of categories.

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August 28, 2025

Dear Members,

The CSHP-OB Advocacy Committee, launched in 2024, continues to grow with members representing diverse practice areas and healthcare systems across Ontario.

Earlier this year, we conducted a **Lab Ordering Readiness Survey** with over 340 responses from members and non-members. Results were clear: Hospital and Family Health Team (FHT) pharmacists are prepared—and many are already ordering labs—to improve patient care.

Survey Highlights:

- **75%+ readiness** to order or already ordering lab tests
- Supports **medication monitoring, therapy adjustments, and timely care**
- Improves **patient flow** and **reduces delays**
- Strengthens **collaboration and safety** during care transitions

In July, we met with Assistant Deputy Minister of Health, Dr. K. Velji to discuss inconsistencies in prescribing authority for hospital and FHT pharmacists under the *Public Hospitals Act* compared to community pharmacists under the *Regulated Health Professions Act*. This important dialogue was an opportunity to highlight the need for alignment and expanded scope of practice.

We are proud of the work our members do every day to advance pharmacy practice and improve patient outcomes. If you are passionate about advocacy, now is the time to get involved—consider joining the Council or Advocacy Committee. Volunteer opportunities are posted on our website.

Thank you for your continued dedication and leadership.

Sincerely,

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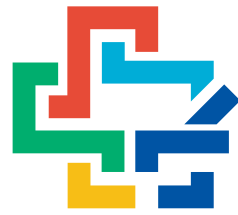
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