# National Student Newsletter

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Speed Networking Event is EMSOP’s largest annual student held event. We pair up students of all years (P1-P4) with various pharmacy professionals in different careers. They will then be given 10 minutes to network, after 10 minutes they will cycle to a different professional. Think of it as speed dating, but instead with the goal of networking with various professionals to gain further insight about a career possibility. EMSOP’s DIA had over 150 participants including both alumni and students.

EMSOP’s DIA invited 7 current P4 students who had recently received and accepted for Post- Doctoral Fellowships at Pharma companies like Merck, Bayer, Novo Nordisk, Novartis, and Sanofi. This event involved each P4 giving an introduction about themselves and the various things they did to obtain a fellowship. Fellows answered any questions that students had and provided helpful insight for anyone considering a fellowship.
TUSP's DIA chapter held a CV workshop led by Tamei Elliott, Associate Director of Scientific Programs and Student Chapter Coordinator for DIA. The intended goal of this workshop is to discuss preparing a competitive CV, networking, career-focused advice and overall professionalism.

In collaboration with the other two DIA chapters based in Philadelphia, TUSP's DIA chapter worked to plan a social event in the city. The goal of this event is to expand our members' network and learn more about DIA through collaboration, communication and shared interests in the world of pharmacy.
DIA Industry Bootcamp

The DIA Industry Bootcamp was created to assist students in exploring the industry. There were four sessions. The first session was an intro session, which was an overview of the fellowship application process and the different functional areas. The second session taught students how to properly write a CV and letter of intent. The third session was a panel of P4 students, who secured fellowships. Our fourth session allowed students to sit down with one of the fellows to look over their CV and letter of intent. This event grew our chapter exponentially.

Networking Night

PCP DIA's Networking Night was a joint event with IPHO in which different PharmD's in the pharmaceutical industry came to our campus and our student were able to network with them. About 15 to 20 pharmaceutical workers who work for various companies were able to come. This gave students the opportunity to network which can lead them to get internships and positions.

Incoming 2023-2024 President: Lana Abudahri
ST. JOHN’S COLLEGE OF PHARMACY
2022-2023 President: Sharon Joseph

2022-2023 TOP EVENTS

RED DRESS GALA
St. John’s University DIA collaborated with APhA, LKS, and SnPhA in hosting the Red Dress Gala. The Red Dress Gala is a fundraising event during which we raise funds for the American Heart Association while increasing awareness regarding cardiovascular health and the steps that we, as healthcare professionals, can take to improve the lives of our patients. This event brought together over 100 pharmacy students across all years. It was a huge success and we are excited to see the future of this event in the coming years!

THE BOWERY MISSION VOLUNTEER EVENT
As a Vincentian University, St. John’s College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences emphasizes the importance of giving back to the community in our everyday work as professionals. The chapter had the privilege of serving the local community at The Bowery Mission, where DIA members helped serve food to those in need. It was a truly heartwarming experience and provided members the opportunity to see how far helping hands reach.

INCOMING 2023-2024 PRESIDENT: MARIA ELIJIUS
During our fall semester, our chapter had Donald Orloski, an adjunct professor at Long Island University and regulatory affairs consultant at Merck and GSK, introduce us to the legislative process surrounding regulatory affairs. Professor Orloski explained how he communicates with the FDA, as well as how health-related proposals are introduced to the Senate and House of Representatives.

Our event had a fantastic turnout and we participated in a productive discussion regarding regulatory affairs, including analyzing the different approaches a biotech company may take as opposed to a larger pharmaceutical company. Overall, we’re thrilled to see how many of our peers are interested in learning more about the different fields industry has to offer!
Pharmacovigilance Event

This event was an introduction for DIA members to the world of pharmacovigilance. This event aimed to teach students what PV was, what it entailed, and how it benefited patient care. Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences's DIA chapter invited speakers to attend the event that worked in different companies within the PV world and allowed them to share their stories and experiences within the industry and within PV specifically.

Medical Affairs Event

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences's DIA chapter hosted an event that introduced students to the world of medical affairs. This event aimed to teach students what medical affairs was and what working within this department entailed, and how medical affairs actually helps the patient in the long term. Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences's DIA chapter presented an powerpoint on what Medical Affairs was and overall, this event allowed students to learn more about medical affairs.
This event was an introduction to DIA from our past executive board members for those in the school who might be interested in getting to learn more about the organization. As former executive board members, they were able to speak upon the opportunities DIA offered them and how to utilize the organization to find out what career opportunities they could be interested in. The panelists were fellows or associates from Alkemi consulting, Janssen, and TerSera Therapeutics. We also discussed the benefits of DIA post-graduation and the inter-professional networking opportunities it gives its members.

This event highlighted the month of October's pharmacy practice specialty. University of Illinois Chicago College of Pharmacy's DIA had faculty members Dr. Stranges and Younge speak about their career path and their day to day responsibilities as ambulatory care pharmacists. Students received unique perspectives on how they got to be where they are by sharing their past experiences post-graduation and today.
STUDENT NETWORKING NIGHT

Touro College of Pharmacy's DIA chapter coordinated an event with professionals from different organizations to have a networking night. They hosted roundtable discussions where students and professionals from various roles could ask questions and learn more about positions in medication safety, and medication information etc. Professionals were invited from Pfizer, Ferring Pharmaceuticals, and Bristol Meyers Squibb. Overall, it was an informational and useful event that helped students learn about positions in the field post graduation.

DRUG DEVELOPMENT AND DISCOVERY EVENT

Touro College of Pharmacy's DIA chapter hosted professionals in medical information from Pfizer to discuss the drug development process. Students learned about the different phases of clinical trials and the safeguards in place in the process. Students learned about the roles pharmacists can play in this drug development and discovery process and how valuable they are.
DIA OVERVIEW MEETING

Northeastern School of Pharmacy DIA chapter coordinated an event with students to inform them about what DIA is and what they stand for. This event was aimed to inform the students about how this organization can help them to learn more about the industry.

DIA CASE COMPETITION EVENT

Touro College of Pharmacy's DIA chapter hosted an informational event to introduce the students to the DIA Case Competition details. This event talked about previous case competitions and what to do to prepare for them. This informational event also taught students...
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**INDUSTRY FELLOWSHIPS/INTERNSHIPS SPOTLIGHT**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENT MEMBERS WHO ATTAINED INDUSTRY POSITIONS THIS YEAR!**

**Fellows**
- Asna Omarzai
  Clinical Regulatory Affairs Fellow
  Myovant Sciences
- Alfee Aman
  U.S./Global Commercial Oncology
  Ipsen
- Reema Shah
  Oncology Global Medical Affairs
  Merck
- Saira Jatoi
  Market Access
  Alexion
- Kishan Patel
  Commercial Insight and Strategy
  Janssen Pharmaceuticals
- Kanayo Akosa
  Commercial Insight and Strategy
  Janssen Pharmaceuticals
- Abin Koshy
  Global Oncology Market Access and Health Economics & Outcomes Research
  Pfizer

**Interns**
- Hana Hasan
  Clinical Supply
  Alexion Pharmaceuticals
- Silva Libohova
  Global Medical Information and Communication
  Otsuka Pharmaceuticals
- Daniel Ghattas
  Medical Information and Knowledge
  Janssen Pharmaceuticals
- Sarah Uddin
  Strategy & Operations Global Pharmacovigilance
  Otsuka Pharmaceuticals
- Marcus Gbekle
  Medical Compliance and Governance
  Bristol Myers Squibb
- Jill Shah
  Pharmacovigilance
  Bayer
- Daniel Wroblewski
  Scientific Content and Medical Capabilities
  Bristol Meyers Squibb
- Elma Abdulbaki
  Medical Affairs
  Abbvie
- Rasali Kodikara
  Oncology Clinical Science
  Janssen Pharmaceuticals
In June 2023, the DIA's Global Annual Meeting featured three finalists who presented their cases. Each team proposed innovative solutions to battle misinformation about GLP-1 agonists.

**Finalists**
Northeastern University
Atrayee Chakraborty, Padmasree Karanam, Likhitha Mateti
Rutgers Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy
Jatin Jain, Lynne Jiang, Shanntala Shenoy

**Winners**
Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine
Arman Zadeh, Vamsi Chodisetty, Zachary M Schulman

**Evaluated by industry leaders:**
David Fryrear, MS, Executive Vice President and Head of Quality Assurance of Astellas, and DIA Annual Meeting Program Committee Member
Ken Getz, Executive Director and Research Professor (PHCM) at Tufts Center for the Study of Drug Development, Founder and Chairman of CISCRP, and DIA Fellow
Joan Chambers, Chief Executive Officer, Greater Gift