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## Policy Vice Presidents (PVPs)

## **Speakers**



**ALEX SPANENBERG** 

APhA-ASP Speaker of the House

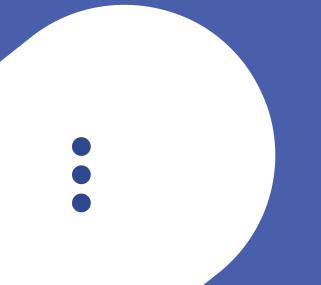


MARK NAGEL

APhA-ASP National
Policy Standing
Committee Chair

## Agenda

- Housekeeping Announcements
- Policy Process and Timeline
- Role of the PVP
- Developing a Proposal for MRM
- Helpful Resources
- Final Announcements
- Region Meet & Greet/Q&A



### We are so excited you're here!

#### A few housekeeping items for the night:

- Add your Chapter to your name so we know where you're joining from
- Utilize chat or the raise hand feature to submit your questions
- We'd love to see your face!
- Discussion Opportunities please mute your mic when not speaking
- All slides, recordings and notes from webinar week will be made available on the Webinar Week home page

## **Policy Standing Committee**



Mark Nagel Chair Regions 4/5

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Alexandria Wingler

Regions 2/7



**Charleigh Steverson** 

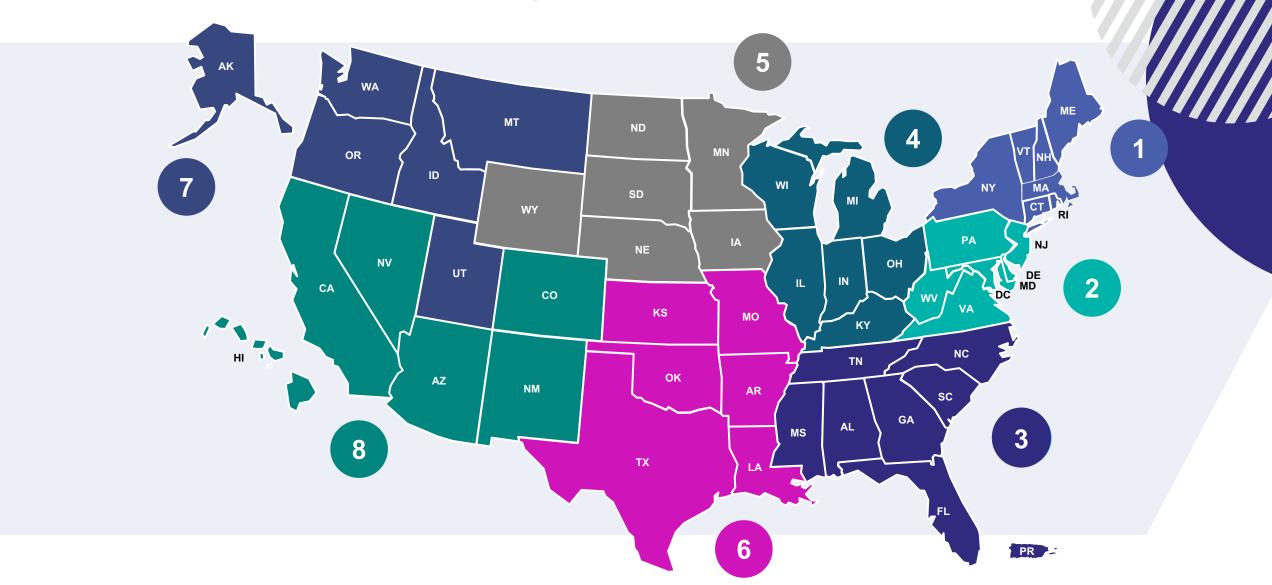
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JianXiang (Eric) Weng

Regions 1/8

## **APhA-ASP Regions**



## Regional Delegates



Serena Roberts Region 1



Edgardo Rodriguez Region 2



Elaina Vitale Region 3



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Bryce Mortera Region 4



McCaffery Townsend Region 5



Alanna Bramwell-Shittu Region 6



Bobby Christodoulopoulos Region 7



Adrian Gonzalez Region 8



## What inspired you to become the Policy Vice President of your Chapter?

## What event or responsibility are you most excited for in your new role?

## Roles and Responsibilities

## **Roles & Responsibilities**

- Stay Informed and Communicate: Keep up to date on pharmacy issues and communicate important information about policy and advocacy to chapter members.
- Engage and Organize: Organize and engage members in policy programs, advocacy activities, capitol building visits, letter writing campaigns, and policy events.
- Policy Development Process: Guide the chapter through policy development and serve as a delegate at relevant meetings and expositions.
- Back the PAC Campaign: Attend webinars, educate members about the APhA Political Action Committee (PAC), plan fundraisers, and encourage donations.
- Promote American Pharmacists Month: Collaborate with the communications vice president to showcase what pharmacists can do to the public.
- State Association Collaboration: Coordinate with the state pharmacy association to support state-level advocacy initiatives and participate in State Legislative Days/Weeks.



Chapter member develops an idea

Chapter formulates the idea into a proposed resolution Proposed resolutions are discussed at the MRM Policy Proposal Forum

Chapter delegates vote on proposed resolutions at the MRM Regional Business Forum

Resolutions are submitted to the APhA-ASP Resolutions Committee

Proposed resolutions are sent to all APhA-ASP chapters for discussion

Open hearing at the APhA Annual Meeting & Exposition

APhA-ASP Reference
Committee makes
recommendations
on the proposed
resolutions

Recommendations are discussed at the APhA-ASP House of Delegates

Chapter delegates vote at the APhA-ASP House of Delegates

Policy National Standing Committee determines the implementation plan for each final resolution

- Form a Policy and Advocacy Committee
  - Host regular meetings with engaged chapter members
  - Coordinate a lunch hour meeting and/or host a special event like Pizza
     & Policy (Check out the <u>APhA-ASP PVP Toolkit</u> for more ideas)
  - Brainstorm ideas to begin researching with your committee
  - Solicit feedback on your resolution ideas from your chapter
  - Prepare background information

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 Determine who will serve as your APhA-ASP Chapter Delegate and Alternate Delegate

- Begin the resolutions drafting process
  - Develop up to two potential resolution topics (one primary and optional secondary resolution)
  - Use the <u>APhA-ASP MRM Proposed Resolution</u>
     <u>Form</u> to guide your drafting process





- Share your region's proposed resolutions with your chapter
  - Following the Regional Policy Proposal Forum, your regional delegate will send final drafts of your region's proposed resolutions
  - Share the proposed resolutions with your committee to get feedback.
     Doing this before MRM will help engage chapter members and bring to light opinions that might have been overlooked otherwise.
  - Don't forget to register a Chapter/Alternate Delegate!





- Vote for your region's proposed resolutions and Regional Officer Candidates
  - Only the individual registered as the official chapter delegate will receive an electronic ballot
  - Rounds of voting will be conducted
  - Result presented during the 2023 MRM Regional Closing Session





#### **Event Ideas**

Pizza/Pie and Policy

Policy Hack-athon

Letter Writing Campaigns

Headshot Campaign Mock House of Delegates

Guest Speakers in Policy/Advocacy



## Picking a Topic

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- Use your chapter policy committee and members for ideas
- Reference the passed resolutions on the books for inspiration
- Consider what practices in pharmacy affect YOU! What would you like to see changed?
- Where do you see an unmet need in pharmacy practice?
   Pharmacy education?

## **Re**solution Writing Tips

#### **Know Your Topic**

- Research background information to identify scope and breadth of policy statement
- Stay up-to-date on the topics

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#### **Understand Existing Policy**

- Identify gaps in content, outdated positions, etc.
- Discuss in the background section why new policy language is needed
- Reaffirm existing policy as appropriate

#### **Choose Verbs Carefully**

- Action statements calls on someone to do something
- Supportive statements asserts support for a concept or action
- Opposition statements –
   opposes a concept or
   action (difficult to turn
   opposition statements into
   action)

## **Re**solution Writing Tips

#### **Be Succinct**

- Plain language is better
- Balance being comprehensive with scope-creep

## Take note of key discussion points in the proposal process

- Describe deliberation in background statements
- Recall deliberation in Policy Reference Committee and policy deliberation during the annual meeting

#### Anticipate Stakeholder Feedback

- Not everyone will support the policy statements
- Anticipate 360
   perspective and
   describe rationale
   for position in
   background
   statements

#### Avoid Defensive Postures

- It is our job to ask the question and the House's job to set policy
- Provide clarification and rationale; avoid debate in the House of Delegates



## **Re**solution Writing Tips

	Positive	
Weak	Medium	Strong
Feels	Encourages	Urges
Believes	Recommends	Advocates
Asserts	Endorses	Calls On/For
Should	Shall	Demands
Encourages	Supports	Adamantly
Wishes	Affirms	Supports
Promotes	<b>Emphasizes</b>	
Expects		
Recognizes		

	Negative	
Weak	Medium	Strong
Discourages		Denounces Objects Opposes

### **He**lpful Resources

- Tips for Developing Successful Proposed Resolutions
- APhA-ASP MRM Proposed Resolution Form
- APhA-ASP Policy Process: MRM Guide for Chapter Delegates
- MRM Rules of Procedure
- APhA-ASP The Capsule

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- APhA-ASP Policy & Advocacy | American Pharmacists Association
- APhA-ASP Policy Vice President Toolkit



One of our goals as a committee this year is to empower the chapter PVPs (YOU!) to make change at your chapter level by providing and connecting you to the resources you need to be successful

- Antitrust Laws/Safe Staffing Measures: Letter Writing Campaign templates for American Pharmacists Month
- Reproductive Healthcare/Opioid Education: More to come...

## Stay Connected! - PVP GroupMe

**VP of Policy 2023-2024** 

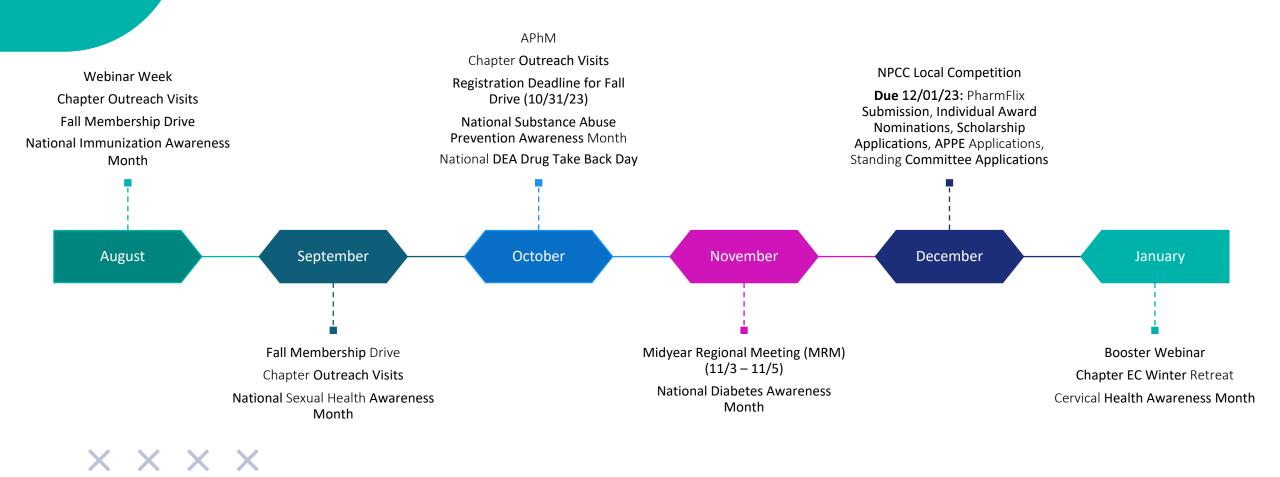


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## Announcements & Reminders

### Timeline



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## **PVP** Important Dates

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Date	Event
October	American Pharmacists Month
Early October	MRM Policy Webinar
November 3-5, 2023	MRM
January-March 2024	Back the PAC Campaign
March 22-25, 2024	2023 APhA Annual Meeting & Exposition

## mportant Dates & Deadlines

Date	Event
August – October	Chapter Outreach Visits
August 29, 2023	MRM2023 Kick-off Webinar
August 30, 2023	Meet the APhA CEO Webinar
September 13, 2023	PharmFlix Informational Webinar
October	American Pharmacists Month
October 31, 2023	Fall Membership Drive Registration Deadline
November 3-5, 2023	Midyear Regional Meeting – It's On!
December 1, 2023	Individual Award Submissions Due APhA Foundation Scholarship Applications Due PharmFlix Submissions Due APhA Experiential Program Applications Due Standing Committee Applications Due

## **AP**hA Student Scholarships





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## Applications opening soon!

**APPLICATIONS DUE DECEMBER 1** 





## ONSITE

Washington, DC - \$149.00





## **ON-CAMPUS**

With your APhA-ASP Chapter - \$300.00



### ONLINE

Where you are - \$39.00



REGISTER NOW: MRM2023 Kick-off! More details on what to expect.



## Meet the APhA CEO

August 30, 2023 8-9 pm ET



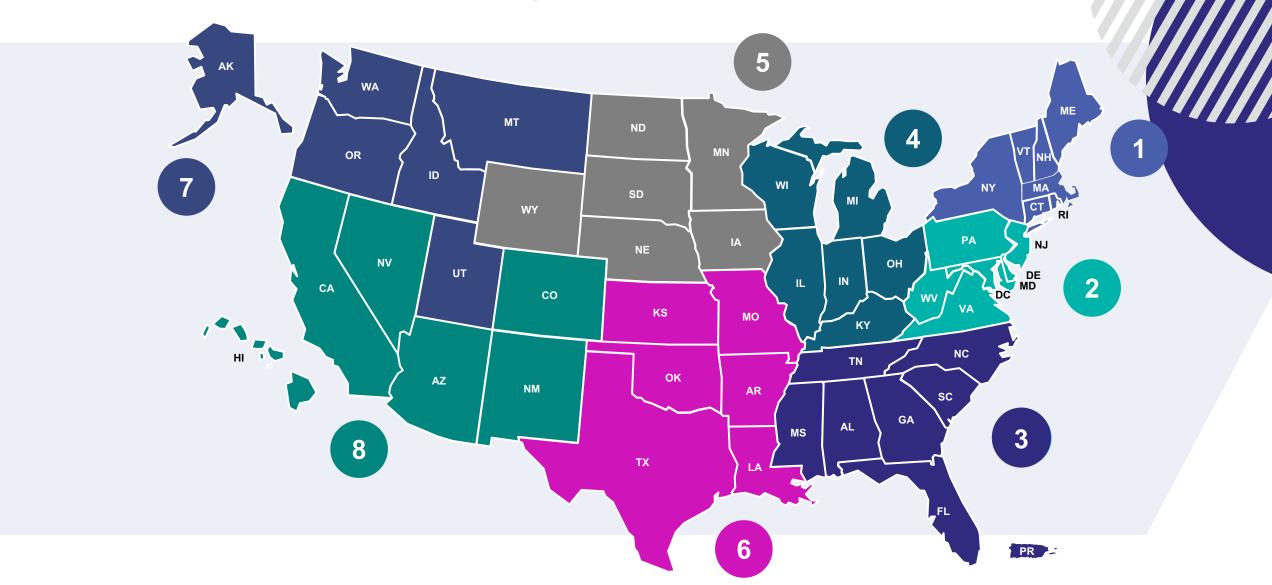


Michael Hogue, PharmD, FAPhA, FNAP, FFIP

## **Regional Breakouts**

- Meet your RD's/PSC!
  - Introduce yourself (chapter, year in school, hometown)
  - Why you decided to be PVP/What interests you about policy?
  - Fun Fact!
  - Any questions you have for the upcoming year?

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