Appendix C – Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Who is eligible to become an APhA-ASP member?

A: Any student pharmacist regularly enrolled in either a pre-pharmacy or a professional pharmacy practice degree program in a university or a college holding membership in the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) or accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE) in the United States or Puerto Rico is eligible for membership in the APhA Academy of Student Pharmacists. This does not include pre-pharmacy students attending a school not affiliated with an accredited school or college of pharmacy as well as student pharmacists enrolled in post-BS PharmD program. Students in a post-BS PharmD program need to enroll in APhA as a pharmacist or new practitioner member.

Q: How does a student enroll in APhA-ASP?

A: Students enroll in APhA-ASP through our online enrollment at www.pharmacist.com.

Q: When does my APhA-ASP membership expire?

A: The APhA-ASP membership cycle begins November 1 and ends October 31 each year, regardless of when you joined. By enrolling early, students can actually extend their membership year!

Q: How much does APhA-ASP membership cost?

A: National APhA-ASP dues are $45 per year. Eligible 2015 graduating student pharmacists may sign up for Dual Year Membership (final year and first year as a new practitioner.) Chapters may assess chapter and state association dues.

Q: Whom do I contact at APhA if I have questions about my membership, publications, membership card, to update my address, programs and activities, or order an APhA publication?

A: Contact APhA Member Services for questions about your membership, member cards, address changes at 800-237-2742, or by email at infocenter@pharmacist.com. Questions about student programs should be forwarded to the APhA Student Development Staff at 800-237-2742 (APhA) ext. 7514. APhA publications can be ordered online at www.pharmacist.com or by calling 800-878-0729.

Q: Where can I get information about the APhA-ASP Midyear Regional Meetings (APhA-ASP MRMs)?

A: Contact APhA Student Development Staff at 800-237-2742 ext. 7514 or check the APhA-ASP Web page at www.pharmacist.com/APhA-ASP.
Q: What are the benefits of being an APhA-ASP member?

A: APhA-ASP members receive many of the benefits that are available to APhA pharmacist members in addition to several benefits designed just for students. Visit the APhA-ASP Web page at www.pharmacist.com/APhA-ASP for a list of all membership benefits and opportunities.

Q: What type of professional liability insurance coverage does APhA offer?

A: One of the most important APhA-ASP membership benefits for students entering their final year is FREE professional liability insurance. APhA will provide $1 million/$3 million dollar coverage at no cost to all graduates who are APhA-ASP members in their last year of pharmacy school and do not currently hold a license to practice pharmacy. No additional paperwork is necessary to qualify for the insurance; however, students must join during the Spring Membership Drive prior to their final year and be members through their last year in pharmacy school to receive this benefit. For example, students graduating in 2016 must join/renew during the 2015 Spring Membership Drive and be members through October 31, 2016.

All APhA-ASP members can purchase liability insurance policies at discounted rate. This policy offers coverage for all curriculum-related experiences, including rotations through school and APhA-ASP programs sanctioned by your school.