

## Hagerman, LaPointe, Smendik and Zaran to be Honored with Fellow Designation

Jennifer K. Hagerman, Stephanie L. LaPointe, Amy E. Smendik and Frank K. Zaran will receive the Fellow of Michigan Pharmacists Association (MPA) designation during the Association's Annual Convention & Exposition, held Feb. 23-25 at the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center.

The Fellow of Michigan Pharmacists Association designation recognizes achievements and dedication to the practice of pharmacy, the community and MPA. The distinction signifies the recipient's actions that go above and beyond regular pharmacy practice for the advancement of pharmacy. The fellowship is divided into three areas: professional actions in practice, public service and pharmacy association participation, all of which help define a well-rounded pharmacist.

Jennifer K. Hagerman is currently the vice president of education and quality at Diplomat, as well as serving as the residency program director for Diplomat's PGY1 pharmacy resident program with a focus in specialty pharmacy. Previous to her work at Diplomat, Hagerman was an associate professor at Ferris State University as well as an adjunct faculty for the University of Michigan-Flint school of nursing. Since joining the Association, Hagerman has been active on several boards and committees, most notably serving on the MPA Executive Board from 2011-2016, serving as president in 2015 and serving on the Michigan Pharmacy Foundation's Board of Trustees. She is involved in the National Association of Specialty Pharmacy and has been active on their education committee. In 2009, Hagerman also received the MPA Distinguished New Pharmacy Practitioner Award.

Stephanie L. LaPointe is currently the manager of education and training at Diplomat. She is also an adjunct faculty for various colleges of pharmacy nationwide and is co-course coordinator of a specialty pharmacy elective at the University of Michigan. LaPointe has been engaged in the profession at both the state and national level since pharmacy school. She is part of the National Association of Specialty Pharmacy's Education Committee and is co-chair of the Student Education Subcommittee. Currently she is the chair of MPA's New Practitioner Committee and a member of the Michigan Pharmacy Foundation Board of Trustees. LaPointe is also a member of the Michigan Society of Community Pharmacists (MSCP) Board of Directors and serves on the MSCP Member Education and Communication Committee as well as past-chair and of the Genesee County Pharmacists Association.

Amy E. Smendik has dedicated countless hours to the advancement of the pharmacy profession and the Association. While still a student at Ferris State University, Smendik was the chair of the Student American Pharmaceutical Association, and after graduation, became involved with the Calhoun County Pharmacists Association. Collectively she has spent 10 years on the MPA Executive Board, first as MPA's Vice Speaker of the House from 1992 to 1993 and Speaker of the House from 1993 to 1995, and most recently completing her year as president in 2016. She was chair of the MPA Membership Committee from 2009-2011, Board liaison to the Western Michigan Society of Health-System Pharmacists Association and served on the MPA MTM Network Group in 2006-2007. She also serves on the Michigan Pharmacy Foundation Board of Trustees.

Frank K. Zaran is currently a clinical pharmacist specialist in drug information for the department of pharmacy services at Detroit Receiving Hospital and University Health Center. Zaran also serves as an adjunct assistant professor at Wayne State University and University of Michigan. Since joining the Association, Zaran has been in several leadership positions and provided direction for Association initiatives and projects. He served as president of the Southeastern Michigan Society of Health-System Pharmacists and president of the Michigan Society of Health-System Pharmacists (MSHP) in 2014. During his presidential year with MSHP, Zaran helped organize the 2014 Michigan Ambulatory Care Summit and developed two new standing committees for the Society, the Ambulatory Care Committee and the Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee. Most recently, Zaran was involved in the development of the Detroit Medical Center's Antimicrobial Stewardship Program.

Michigan Pharmacists Association, representing the nearly 9,000 pharmacists and 15,000 pharmacy technicians in Michigan, strives to serve members by providing support, advocacy and resources that ultimately improve patient care, safety, health and the practice of pharmacy. For more information, visit [www.MichiganPharmacists.org](http://www.MichiganPharmacists.org).

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