

## Recruiting Pre-Pharmacy Students

As previously discussed in Chapter 2, pre-pharmacy students attending a school that is not affiliated with a school or college of pharmacy are NOT eligible for APhA-ASP membership. However, pre-pharmacy students who are attending a school that is affiliated with a school or college of pharmacy ARE eligible for membership in APhA-ASP. Depending on your campus and curriculum structure, you may need to plan your pre-pharmacy student membership drive separate from your pharmacy school membership drive.

By encouraging pre-pharmacy students to join APhA-ASP now, before they enter pharmacy school, you can help them learn more about the pharmacy profession, understand current pharmacy practice issues, and strengthen your APhA-ASP Chapter programs and activities. A sample letter for recruiting pre-student pharmacists can be found in Appendix E of the MVP Toolkit.

### Here are a few suggestions for recruiting pre-pharmacy students to become members of APhA-ASP:

- **Set up an information table in a common student area** (e.g. student union, cafeteria, freshman dorm) to display information on APhA-ASP and the profession of pharmacy.
- **Display flyers** about APhA-ASP in the basic science buildings on your campus and outside of pre-student pharmacist classrooms.
- **Obtain an e-mail list of pre-pharmacy students** from your registrar's office and send information describing the benefits of membership and your Chapter's activities. Make sure to include a chapter contact person's phone number and e-mail address.
- **Provide pre-pharmacy student advisors with information on APhA-ASP** and ask that they pass it along to interested students.
- **Have a pre-pharmacy student social** to introduce these prospective members to your Chapter's leaders, members, and pharmacy school/college faculty.