

# APPENDIX E – Sample Membership Letters

## Sample A - New Student Pharmacist Recruitment Letter

Date

Dear Student Pharmacist:

Congratulations on your acceptance to the Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy. As you will soon discover, you have chosen an excellent institution in which to study the field of pharmacy – and an exciting and rewarding profession. You should be proud of these decisions.

The next positive decision you can make for your career in pharmacy and your professional development is to become an active member of the Samford University Chapter of the American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP). The American Pharmacists Association (APhA), established in 1852, is the largest pharmacy association in the United States, serving more than 62,000 members. As one of the three academies of the APhA, APhA-ASP is more than 34,000 students strong, making it the largest national student pharmacist group in the U.S. and Puerto Rico. Part of APhA-ASP's Mission is to provide student pharmacists with opportunities for professional growth, to improve patient care, and to envision and advance the future of pharmacy.

By joining a professional organization, you can help ease the transition into pharmacy school. APhA-ASP will help you meet new people, learn about current issues facing pharmacy practice, participate in career development opportunities, and personal and professional growth.

The Samford University Chapter has some exciting activities planned for this year! Please be sure to look over the enclosed brochure, join our Facebook page ([link](#)), follow us on Twitter ([link](#)), and visit our Web page ([link](#)) for information on member benefits and services. If you have questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact us.

Again, welcome to Birmingham and to the McWhorter School of Pharmacy at Samford University! We wish you the best of luck for a successful professional career. Please let us know if we can help you in any way.

Professionally yours,

APhA-ASP Chapter President

APhA-ASP Chapter Advisor

APhA-ASP Chapter President-elect

APhA-ASP Chapter Membership Vice President

## Sample B - Pre-Pharmacy Student Recruitment Letter

Date

Dear Pre-Pharmacy Student:

Congratulations on your decision to pursue a career in pharmacy. Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences would like to offer you the opportunity to demonstrate your professional commitment even before you have been accepted into pharmacy school.

The next positive decision you can make for your career in pharmacy and your professional development is to become an active member of the Drake University Chapter of the American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP). The American Pharmacists Association, established in 1852, is the largest pharmacy association in the United States, serving more than 62,000 members. As one of the three academies of the APhA, APhA-ASP is more than 34,000 students strong, making it the largest national student pharmacist group in the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

By joining APhA-ASP you can learn more about the profession you plan on pursuing, meet student pharmacists and faculty members, learn about current issues facing pharmacy practice, participate in career development opportunities, and get involved in your chosen profession. APhA-ASP members participate in activities such as professional meetings, community service projects, social functions, and legislative lobbying. In addition, APhA-ASP provides avenues to explore leadership opportunities, and personal and professional growth.

The Drake University APhA-ASP Chapter has some exciting activities planned for this year! Please be sure to look over the enclosed brochure, join our Facebook page ([link](#)), follow us on Twitter ([link](#)), and visit our Web page ([link](#)) for information on member benefits and services. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact us at the Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

We wish you the best of luck for a successful academic year. Please let us know if we can help you in any way.

Professionally yours,

APhA-ASP Chapter President

APhA-ASP Chapter Advisor

APhA-ASP Chapter President-elect

APhA-ASP Membership Vice President

## Sample C - Renewing Member Letter Sample

Date

Dear APhA-ASP Member:

We would like to thank you for your support of the American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) Chapter at Xavier University of Louisiana last year! APhA, established in 1852, is the largest pharmacy association in the United States, serving more than 62,000 members. As one of the three academies of the APhA, APhA-ASP is more than 34,000 students strong making it the largest national student pharmacist group in the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

Each member of our chapter plays a very important role. We needed your support and involvement last year to make our chapter strong and this year is no different. We know you share our pride in the accomplishments of the chapter and the contributions to our community and profession.

Xavier University's APhA-ASP Chapter has some exciting activities planned for this year! Please be sure to look over the enclosed brochure, join our Facebook page ([link](#)), follow us on Twitter ([link](#)), and visit our Web page ([link](#)) for information on member benefits and services. If you have questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact us.

Our APhA-ASP Chapter has established a tradition of excellence at Xavier University of Louisiana and would like to continue that tradition. I hope that you will continue your professional involvement through APhA-ASP.

Professionally yours,

APhA-ASP Chapter President

APhA-ASP Chapter Advisor

APhA-ASP Chapter President-elect

APhA-ASP Membership Vice President

## Sample D - Chapter Flyer

# Virginia Academy of Student Pharmacists (VASP)



Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy

## Get Involved!!!

*Even P1s can get involved! Here are a few projects/ committees we offer on campus!*

**STEAMM** - Student professionals Educating About Medication Management. The third Friday of each month a group of pharmacy, medical, and nursing students collaborate to provide care to patients that reside at the Medical Respite. Students work as a team to take vital signs and perform a medication review.

*For more information, contact: Contact Kelley Miller (email address)*

**Generation Rx:** Generation Rx is an educational program that increases public awareness of prescription medication abuse and encourages health care providers, community leaders, parents, teens, and college students to actively work to prevent abuse.

*For more information, contact: Diana Pionk (email address)*

**Legislative Committee:** The Legislative Committee plans and coordinates all of our chapter's policy and advocacy efforts. The committee assists the legislative chairs in providing monthly updates on critical policies during the VASP meetings and leading VASP members in the APhA-ASP Policy Process where members can voice ideas for change.

*For more information, contact: Natalie Nguyen (email address)*

**IPSF:** International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation. It is the leading international advocacy organization of pharmacy students promoting improved public health through provision of information, education, networking, and a range of publication and professional activities.

*For more information, contact: Nellie Jafari (email address)*

**Operation Diabetes:** Operation Diabetes raises awareness of diabetes and its effects through events within the School of Pharmacy and outreach projects in the local community. Some of the projects include: Denim for Diabetes, the ADA Step Out Walk, and the VCU/MCV Health Fair.

*For more information, contact: Sarah Aesy (email address)*

**Operation Heart:** This project gives student pharmacists opportunities to impact the health of the community through patient education, screenings, and community outreach activities. The focus is on helping patients understand their risk of cardiovascular disease and what actions to take to prevent it.

*For more information, contact: Courtney Wren (email address)*

**Operation Immunization:** This program is an immunization awareness campaign designed to increase the public's knowledge of immunizations while raising the number of adults receiving immunizations. Participants include APhA-ASP chapters with the help of trained practitioners and other healthcare professionals trained and certified to give immunizations.

*For more information, contact: DaleMarie Vaughan (email address)*

**Visit our blackboard site for more information: (link to site)!**



### **Four Memberships in one!**

- Virginia Academy of Student Pharmacists (VASP)
- Virginia Pharmacist Association (VPhA)
- American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP)
- International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation (IPSF)

### **Largest Student Organization on Campus!**

- Also the largest student pharmacist organization in the country (>34,000 strong)!

### **Invest yourself!**

- VASP will help you grow as a professional while also allowing you to maintain a balance between school, service, and FUN while you are a student pharmacist!