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2024 PHARMACIST OF THE YEAR **NOMINATIONS**

The NVSHP Awards and Nominations Committee is now soliciting nominations for the NVSHP Pharmacist of the Year Award. The Award will be presented at the NVSHP Annual Meeting in Reno on Saturday, 21 September 2024.

Submission deadline is Friday, 26 July 2024 at 5 pm PST.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Julie Seidlinger at Julie.Seidlinger@CommonSpirit.org

Scan below to nominate someone you know!



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This months episode is a spotlight on Pharmacy Technicians with Mark Brunton!



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PAIGE LINDSEY, CPHT

AUTOMATED DISTRIBUTION SPECIALIST PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

What interested you in becoming a pharmacy technician?

Ever since high school, I always imagined it would be fascinating working as a Pharmacy Technician. While working as a Barista in Target, I had the chance to learn a little more about what the pharmacy world looked like by interacting with the pharmacy employees. In 2011, I received an opportunity from the Manager of Target Pharmacy, Justin Holt RPH, who gave me the chance of becoming a technician in training in the Pharmacy. Within four months of working as a tech in training, I took the test to become a Nationally Certified Pharmacy technician.

What is your position/what are your responsibilities in your role?

Currently at Renown, my title is an Automated Distribution Specialist. My main responsibilities include inpatient Pharmacy billing, monitoring the Omnicell Automation medication cabinets throughout the hospital, resolving narcotic discrepancies and helping create standards of work. Prior to this position, I mainly worked in the IV room compounding Chemotherapy and other hazardous medications.



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What is the most rewarding part of being a pharmacy technician?

Part of my role as an Automated Distribution Specialist is to create methods for optimizing medication dispensing throughout the hospital. Being able to find more ways for safety and efficiency for nurses is very important to me. The time it takes to get a medication to a patient is very crucial. Being able to monitor the machines and adjust PARs can be very valuable in this process.

What drew you to Renown?

After years of working on the retail side of pharmacy, I decided to broaden my experience and try out the hospital environment. My previous Supervisor Justin transferred to Renown and spoke very highly of the people and caring culture. I decided to apply in 2017 and became a Pharmacy Technician in the Inpatient Pharmacy at the Regional Campus. The experience of working here inside a hospital has been an amazing change compared to retail.

What is the most valuable aspect of being a pharmacy technician?

Although working in a hospital pharmacy does not give me time to interact directly with patients, I know the work we do here helps so many people. Getting work done in an efficient and timely manner helps make the patients more comfortable by getting their medications on time.

Why did you decide to join NVSHP?

After being a Pharmacy Technician for 12 years, I have seen many different aspects of how pharmacy works. I am a very new member of the NVSHP, and I felt like it would be beneficial in expanding my knowledge. I am excited to see what is in store, and possibly having a voice for future Nevada Pharmacy Systems.

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