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NABP Honors Leaders at the Forefront of Public Health Protection at 106th Annual Meeting

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The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) honored leaders in the protection of public health at the Association's 106th Annual Meeting, held May 22-25, 2010, in Anaheim, CA. Each year, the Association presents awards to individuals who have worked with unwavering dedication to ensure NABP's continued service to the regulation of pharmacy practice and its efforts to assist the state boards of pharmacy in protecting the public health.

Those honored leaders include 2010 Honorary President Howard C. Anderson, Jr, RPh; 2009-2010 NABP President Gary A. Schnabel, RN, RPh; the Iowa Board of Pharmacy and the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy, recipients of the 2010 Fred T. Mahaffey Award; the 2010 John F. Atkinson Service Award recipient Joann D. Predina, MBA, RPh; the 2010 Henry Cade Memorial Award winner Kristi R. Dover, PharmD; and the 2010 Lester E. Hosto Distinguished Service Award recipient Lawrence W. Klein, PhD.

Biographies for the award winners follow:

2010 Honorary President: Howard C. Anderson, Jr, RPh

Howard Anderson's active and influential career began at Turtle Lake Rexall Drug, a pharmacy he co-owned and operated with his father in Turtle Lake, ND. Mr Anderson continued to own and operate the pharmacy for 35 years, and also practiced at Turtle Lake Community Memorial Hospital for 20 years, where he was pharmacist-in-charge. Currently serving as the executive director of the North Dakota State Board of Pharmacy, Mr Anderson accomplished pioneering work in the area of telepharmacy, developing rules and regulations that brought pharmacy services to over 40,000 patients in rural North Dakota communities. An active member of NABP, Mr Anderson served as member of the NABP Executive Committee from 2001-2004. He also served on numerous committees and task forces and was chair of the Task Force to Examine the Quality and Standards of Internship Requirements. Mr Anderson earned his bachelor of science in pharmacy from North Dakota State University.

NABP President's Award: Gary A. Schnabel, RN, RPh

Through Gary Schnabel's leadership and support, NABP has accomplished significant work that will progress the future vision of pharmacists as the primary providers of medication therapy. Mr Schnabel offered crucial guidance during the development of the community pharmacist accreditation pilot program and established task forces that will help to bring about the future vision of pharmacists. Specifically, the work of both the task force that examined pharmacy technician education and practice standards, and the task force that addressed electronic prescribing software standards, will contribute to patient safety and help to create an environment in which patients trust and rely upon pharmacists to provide medication therapy and counsel. Further, it was under Mr Schnabel's leadership that NABP addressed the important issue of standardizing prescription monitoring programs (PMPs). The work of the task force charged to review PMP standards will assist these programs in reaching the goal of preventing prescription drug abuse and diversion. Mr Schnabel earned his bachelor of science degree in pharmacy from Oregon State University.

Fred T. Mahaffey Award: Iowa Board of Pharmacy

In September 2003, the Iowa Board took disciplinary action against a pharmacy for providing prescription drugs outside the usual course of professional practice, and the subsequent investigation of two Internet companies uncovered the loss of over 30 million pills and resulted in multiple convictions. The Iowa Board is also being recognized for its continuous efforts to regulate medical marijuana. After a number of public hearings, many hours spent listening to patients, doctors, pharmacists, and legislators, as well as reviewing hundreds of medical articles and other state laws, the Board moved forward in its decision to recommend that the Iowa state legislature reclassify marijuana as a Schedule II controlled substance, which would allow medical uses of marijuana.

Fred T. Mahaffey Award: Nevada State Board of Pharmacy

The Nevada State Board recently launched an "inspecting for safety" initiative that focuses on continuous quality improvement and patient safety. The Board's initiative includes a retooling of its inspection forms to emphasize the safety of the patient as the primary inspection goal. The Nevada Board now inspects for everything from patient and drug information, to communication, workflow, staffing, drug storage, and workplace environment. The goal of the Board's initiative is ensuring that all pharmacies are in compliance with the law and to emphasize patient safety. The initiative achieved success through the support of all Board members and the teamwork of investigators, staff, and inspectors.

John F. Atkinson Service Award: Joann D. Predina, MBA, RPh

Joann Predina is a compliance specialist for the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy. For 18 years, she has been responsible for inspecting

locations where dangerous drugs are stored, conducting audits, and educating licensees on methods to obtain or maintain compliance. She was active in establishing accreditation standards and processes for the Pharmacy Compounding Accreditation Board (PCAB) from 2005-2006, and currently serves on the PCAB task force to update those standards and processes. Ms Predina was named to the NABP Task Force on Electronic Prescribing Software Standards and Data Storage and is currently the president of the Ohio Chapter of the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators. Ms Predina received her bachelor of science degree in pharmacy from Ohio State University and her master of business administration in health care administration from Lake Erie College.

Henry Cade Memorial Award: Kristi R. Dover, PharmD

Kristi Dover currently serves as the senior area director of medical liaisons at Purdue Pharma LP. Ms Dover has been a long-time supporter of NABP through her efforts to obtain sponsorships for valuable NABP services. Notably, Ms Dover has facilitated Purdue Pharma's sponsorship of the NABP Survey of Pharmacy Law, which has allowed NABP to provide the publication free of charge to all final-year pharmacy students. In addition, Ms Dover has made efforts to obtain sponsorships for the NABP Annual Meetings, Fall Conferences, and the NABP Symposium. Her pharmacy practice experience includes a post-doctoral oncology residency, and a faculty committee appointment, as well as inpatient oncology, ambulatory pain clinic, and clinical research. Ms Dover earned her bachelor of science in pharmacy from the University of Texas at Austin and her doctor of pharmacy degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio and the University of Texas at Austin, Clinical Pharmacy Programs.

Lester E. Hosto Distinguished Service Award: Lawrence W. "Larry" Klein, PhD

Larry Klein has been a testing and measurement consultant since 1985, and most recently assisted NABP as a technical consultant for the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination[®]. From 1988-1989, Mr Klein served as the technical director of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy Licensure Examination, now known as the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination[®], when its management was transitioned from an outside testing company to NABP. In addition, he held a position as the technical coordinator of research and measurement at CTB/McGraw-Hill, and was the associate director of health programs for the organization, ACT. While at ACT, Larry assisted NABP as project director for the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Equivalency Examination[®] when it was first implemented in 1984. Mr Klein received his master's degree in education from the University of Calgary and his doctorate degree from the University of Oregon specializing in educational measurement and experimental design.

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