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## 2016 Has Been 'Year of the Challenge!'



We've had the "Ice Bucket Challenge," the "Mannequin Challenge" and the "Water Bottle Challenge." But the [AMCP Board's "Foundation Grant Challenge"](#) makes all these fad phenomena dwindle into obscurity!

In a move that confirmed the depth of the Board's support for — and commitment to — the Foundation, it pledged to match donations to the Foundation, dollar-for-dollar, up to \$25,000.

The impact of this Challenge is pretty heady stuff for your AMCP Foundation! It handed us the exciting prospect of turning \$25,000 into \$50,000 for support of the Foundation's educational and research mission. [Please join AMCP in supporting the success of the Foundation](#), so we can expand our programs.

How are we doing so far in this race to \$50 grand? Through Dec. 14, the Foundation has raised \$19,789.70 from individual member donations and raffle ticket sales received since Oct. 1. Add in the AMCP Board's Challenge Grant money and the Foundation's

total will be at \$39,574.40.

I'm guessing that some of you don't fully get the difference between AMCP and the AMCP Foundation. AMCP is the "Mother Ship," advocating for the principles of managed care pharmacy and its value to health care on behalf of its 8,000-plus members.

The Foundation supports AMCP by using the tax-exempt status granted foundations to expand AMCP's reach through patient-centered education and research activities. We think this is a classic "win-win" for AMCP members and for health care in America.

Happy Holidays to everyone!

**Allan J. Chernov, MD**  
*President, AMCP Foundation*



### AMCP Foundation Offers Exciting Internship Opportunities in 2017

Now is the time to apply!

The AMCP Foundation once again is



### AMCP Foundation Seeks Volunteers Share Your Expertise and Talents

The AMCP Foundation offers a wealth of opportunities for you to get involved! Volunteering gives you an intimate understanding of our mission



### AMCP Foundation Issues Reports: Symposium, Trends Assessment

The AMCP Foundation recently released two major reports that address some of the most perplexing challenges facing the U.S. health care

The AMCP Foundation once again is partnering with Allergan Plc and Pfizer, Inc. to offer student pharmacists a variety of internships in 2017. The partnership with Allergan will offer two positions in health outcomes research at the company's headquarters in Irvine, Calif. And the partnership with Pfizer will offer seven positions at managed care organizations across the country, and one position in managed care research and nonprofit leadership at the AMCP Foundation offices in Alexandria, Va.

These 10-week programs will help student pharmacists develop a career plan in health outcomes, pharmacoconomics, managed health care, pharmaceutical industry or professional association management. The AMCP Foundation is seeking undergraduate student pharmacists enrolled in a full-time Doctor of Pharmacy degree in an ACPE-accredited school or college of pharmacy during the 2016-2017 school year with anticipated graduation in 2018 or 2019.

Application deadlines: Friday, January 27, 2016. For more details, visit [here](#).



#### On Your Mark: AMCP Foundation to Hold 4th Annual 5K for the Future

Health & wellness is coming to you in Denver! Lace up your shoes and get ready to have fun at the [Fourth Annual AMCP Foundation 5K Run/Walk](#) in Denver! Join us in the "The Mile High City" for a chance to take home a medal. NEW! Sleep in for the Future! Select the "Sleep-In" option and we won't enroll you in the race – but you can still pick up a T-shirt at the Annual Meeting registration desk.

Prizes will be awarded in a number of categories, including overall fastest male/female runner. Do you have a group of people that would like to run as a team? View [Team Competition General Information!](#) Check out our new 5K website for up to date information on our 5K runs, [run.amcpfoundation.org](http://run.amcpfoundation.org). Sign up

when you [register](#) for the AMCP Annual Meeting 2017!

minimize understaffing of our mission and vision. The Foundation currently seeks volunteers for the upcoming AMCP Annual Meeting 2017 in Denver.

[Poster judges and mentors](#) are needed to critique authors in the student and resident/fellow non-reviewed category on their research and presentation skills.

[Kiosk volunteers](#) are also needed to help promote Foundation programs, including giving opportunities and charitable initiatives. Help us inform Annual Meeting attendees about our work.

Other volunteer opportunities include serving as an AMCP Foundation Internship Judge, and AMCP Foundation P&T Competition Judge. We're always looking for new ways to get you involved.

Volunteering is a great way to network with others, give back to your profession and maximize your conference experience. [Volunteer today!](#) For more opportunities, visit [www.amcpfoundation.org](http://www.amcpfoundation.org).



#### Foundation in the Community; Staff Helps Family for Christmas

The holiday season is a time of goodwill. Our communities need us more than ever, and so AMCP and Foundation staff donated books, furniture and supplies to Goodwill and other local organizations this fall. Staff also worked with the Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services to sponsor a family for Christmas.

AMCP and the Foundation have a long history of helping the less fortunate. This fall, the AMCP Foundation, along with AMCP and Volunteer Alexandria, organized a [Sock Collection at AMCP Nexus 2016](#). Many Nexus attendees stopped by the AMCP Foundation Kiosk to "Knock Your Socks Off" with sock donation. Thank you for that effort.

Happy giving season to all!

challenges facing the health care system today. A Symposium Report details a broad array of strategies and best practices for managing opioid therapies while minimizing addiction risks. And a separate white paper assesses policy implications and challenges related to expected health care trends through the end of the decade.

"The AMCP Foundation is proud to present such timely research on issues of utmost importance to patients, providers and payers alike," said Paula J. Eichenbrenner, CAE, Executive Director. "Research is at the heart of our mission, and we will share these findings with diverse stakeholders to help improve the delivery of care during a time of unprecedented change to U.S. health care."

The [Symposium Report](#) summarizes the Foundation's 6th Annual Research Symposium, "Balancing Access and Use of Opioid Therapy." The [white paper](#) analyzes findings in the Foundation's landmark Top 10 Emerging Health Care Trends report. Read [more](#).

# Thanks for Donating!

#### AMCP Foundation Recognizes and Thanks Many First-Time Donors!

The AMCP Foundation welcomes the many new names to our growing donor list! We're glad that you recognize the importance of what we stand for, and are grateful for your support. This is your first step to helping us advance the quality and affordability of our health care system.

Your donations help support many activities, including research initiatives on the role of managed care in improving health care quality and patient outcomes, as well as educational opportunities for stakeholders to learn about managed care pharmacy principles and research.

Thank you for your first-time contributions received between Sept. 15 and Dec. 5, 2016. You Are Making a Difference! Read the [list](#).



### New Resources and Newsletter From the AMCP Foundation

Our first planned giving newsletter is available with new tips for retirement and developing an emergency plan for your family.

Our newsletter, *Aligning Tomorrow's Pathways*, is intended to provide information on estate planning and options for an enduring legacy.

We hope this will be a welcome addition to your inbox and encourage you to subscribe [here](#). More background information on planned giving can be found on our [website](#).



### Many Holiday Giving Traditions! Consider Adding Foundation to List

During the holidays many of us have holiday traditions — whether it's cooking with family or opening presents on Christmas Eve. Giving Tuesday is the perfect example of a giving tradition that was a success with donations totaling \$2,819.90 in one day. Get in the habit of giving and start a new tradition with the AMCP Foundation. AMCP is [matching your donations](#) through Dec. 31. So far, AMCP has matched \$19,789.70. Use this occasion to utilize your company's [employee match program](#). Happy Holidays! [Donate Today!](#)



### Add Your Voice to Conversation, Engage on Social Media Platforms

AMCP and the AMCP Foundation want to hear from you on social media!

Join the conversation on Twitter by following [@amcporg](#) and using the #AMCPFdn hash tag. Look for our #FdnFridays (Foundation Fridays) tweets with fun facts about AMCP Foundation!

Look for us on [Facebook](#), LinkedIn, [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#).

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