



## COVID-19 UPDATES AND RESOURCES –

ICHP has created COVID-19 resources and links on the ICHPnet.org website. Please check daily for updates. Go to the [ICHPnet.org](https://www.ichpnet.org) home page Quick Links or check out the individual links below.

- **ICHP Update on COVID-19 – Please check out the recording:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IAPZqPmib4>
- **COVID-19 Resources:** <https://www.ichpnet.org/resources/covid-19/>
- **Illinois Best Practices Resources:** [https://www.ichpnet.org/resources/covid-19/covid19\\_best\\_practices.php](https://www.ichpnet.org/resources/covid-19/covid19_best_practices.php)
- **State of Illinois COVID Response:** <https://coronavirus.illinois.gov/s/>

## ICHP IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO RUN FOR OFFICE –

Check out the May [KeePosted](https://www.ichpnet.org) for the list of open positions. Now is a great time to hone your leadership skills and step up to serve!

## ICHP AWARDS PROCESS IS OPEN –

Check out the May [KeePosted](https://www.ichpnet.org) for the process on nominating ICHP members for awards. Without your nomination, no one wins! The deadline for nominations process ends July 1.

## LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY UPDATE-

The spring session of the Illinois General Assembly is still on hold but we've heard that some activity is in the works in the near future. The reason being is that a budget has to be approved before the end of May or a super-majority will be required to pass it after that. While both chambers host a super-majority of democrats and we have a democratic Governor, there's no guarantees so our guess is that the General Assembly will try to get this job done soon. The legislature also has several Sunset renewals before them (professional licensing Acts that will expire if not extended) so those will take the next level of priority after the budget. While there are a variety of pharmacy and health care bills waiting in the wings, we believe that those bills will have to wait until next year. Although rumors also abound that we could see an expanded Veto Session in the fall to address some of the carryover bills. After all, it will be a lame-duck session after the elections in November. These are our (ICHP staff and lobbyists) best guesses for the last part of the Spring Session, but they are guesses based on discussions and conjecture. Stay tuned to your e-mails and ICHP's social media platforms just to make sure. A list of current pharmacy and health-care related bills we continue to monitor may be found on the ICHP website here: [https://www.ichpnet.org/pharmacy\\_practice/advocacy/pending\\_legislation/2020\\_Illinois\\_101st\\_General\\_Assembly\\_Bill\\_Summary\\_02252020.pdf](https://www.ichpnet.org/pharmacy_practice/advocacy/pending_legislation/2020_Illinois_101st_General_Assembly_Bill_Summary_02252020.pdf).

From the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the April Meeting of Collaborative Pharmaceutical Task Force was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the May Meeting will be held via WebEx on Monday, May 11th. The Board of Pharmacy Meeting for May 12th will also be held via WebEx and the meeting notice may be found on the Department's website. In order to obtain the most up to date information, watch your e-mails and make sure you or your IT departments whitelist [www.ichpnet.org](https://www.ichpnet.org)!



## ICHP BEST PRACTICE AWARD –

Showcase an innovative program or process you have or are implementing at your institution! Submit for the ICHP Best Practice award by July 1st to be eligible for a \$1,000 award. Go to this link for more information: [https://www.ichpnet.org/pharmacy\\_practice/professional\\_practice/best\\_practices/](https://www.ichpnet.org/pharmacy_practice/professional_practice/best_practices/)

**NEW NETWORKS –** ICHP has established two new Networks – the Residency Leaders Network and the Pharmacy Technician Network. You can find out more information about these networks through the May [KeePosted](https://www.ichpnet.org). If interested in either of these networks, please contact Trish Wegner at [TrishW@ichpnet.org](mailto:TrishW@ichpnet.org).



## WANT TO STAY CONNECTED TO ICHP? –

The May issue of [KeePosted](https://www.ichpnet.org) is on its way to you now! Watch for your issue – available in print and online too! Get the latest information and stay connected! Check out the many volunteers who have helped ICHP and other members over the past year in ways large and small listed in the February issue! And check out the many small projects listed for volunteers in the February issue and at this link: [https://www.ichpnet.org/about\\_us/divisions\\_and\\_committees/volunteer\\_sign\\_up.php](https://www.ichpnet.org/about_us/divisions_and_committees/volunteer_sign_up.php)

## UPCOMING 2020 CHAMPION CONTINUING PHARMACY EDUCATION (CPE) LIVE WEBINARS

**\*AVAILABLE FOR ALL MEMBERS TO ACCESS\***

**MAY 21, 2020 12 PM-12:30 PM**

**Implementation of Best Practices for Asthma**

Speaker: Lori A. Wilken, PharmD, BCACP, NCTPT, AE-C (Accredited for pharmacists & technicians)

Please watch for additional information on future Champion and CPE News Briefs in your email!

## TECHNICIAN-SPECIFIC HOME STUDY- ICHP

Technician Members receive a FREE subscription to our Pharmacy Tech Topics™ (PTT) online continuing education. This subscription includes access to all available PTT programs online – 10 credit hours a year. Please share this information with your technician co-workers! For more information on the CPE go to [www.pharmacytechtopics.com](https://www.pharmacytechtopics.com). To learn more about ICHP, go to [www.ichpnet.org](https://www.ichpnet.org). Already a member and need help accessing your PTT account? Call us at 815-227-9292 for assistance.

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT CE –** You may still access the Sexual Harassment Prevention CE program provided by ProCE at a minimal cost of \$14.50. [https://www.proce.com/activities/activity\\_detail?id=1024](https://www.proce.com/activities/activity_detail?id=1024)

## FREE CHAMPION HOME STUDY CPE –

for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians available now on [CESally.com](https://www.CESally.com). Log into your CESally.com account and search on Champion Home Study, or review available titles on the ICHP website. See the link options below.

Two NEW Champion HOME Study programs were just added for ICHP members. Search on [www.CESally.com](https://www.CESally.com) by the titles below:

## A How-To for Fighting the Flu: Up-To-Date Antiviral Recommendations

Speakers: Jessica Seadler, PharmD and Natalie Tucker, PharmD, BCPS, BCIDP Accredited for Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians

## A Practice Change is Coming: Review of the 2019 Global Initiative for Asthma Report

Speaker: Lisa Lubsch, PharmD, BCPPS, AE-C, FPPAG Accredited for Pharmacists

You can use the home study to schedule a showing to your staff at any time or any day. Members will receive continuing education credit through this home study process as well. Champion programs are only visible to ICHP association members on CESally.com. For information on connecting your CESally account to ICHP visit: [https://www.ichpnet.org/pharmacy\\_practice/cesally](https://www.ichpnet.org/pharmacy_practice/cesally)

Please check out the great topics for pharmacists and technicians in 2019! Visit the champions overview page here: [http://www.ichpnet.org/events/champion\\_webinars](http://www.ichpnet.org/events/champion_webinars)

Review available homestudy titles on the ICHP website here: [https://www.ichpnet.org/about\\_us/champions/champion\\_homestudy\\_webinars.php](https://www.ichpnet.org/about_us/champions/champion_homestudy_webinars.php)

And watch for more information on LIVE Champion programs in upcoming ICHP CPE News Briefs.

**WE NEED CHAMPIONS! –** If you do not have a Champion at your site, and you are interested please contact Trish at [trishw@ichpnet.org](mailto:trishw@ichpnet.org). Visit our Champions webpage to learn more: [https://www.ichpnet.org/events/champion\\_webinars/](https://www.ichpnet.org/events/champion_webinars/)

We also need Champions to serve on our Champion Subcommittee. If you would like to volunteer, please contact our office or email Trish at [trishw@ichpnet.org](mailto:trishw@ichpnet.org). We usually meet quarterly via conference call or email transmission.

**LIKE US ON FACEBOOK –** If you have a Facebook page, please “like” ICHP so that we can share events with you which you can also share. (<https://www.facebook.com/ichpnet/>). You can also join our facebook group as a way to privately discuss pharmacy issues with your peers – Just click the “Join Group” button on our ICHP page.



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