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INVITATION

ACADEMIC SHOWCASE/WELCOME RECEPTION - 2007

Dear Colleague,

We invite you to participate in the 2007 Academic Showcase. This distinctive event will be held at the Quebec City Convention Centre, **6:30pm, Sunday, August 19, 2007**, in conjunction with the Welcome Reception for the Society's 2007 annual meeting. The ISPE 23rd *International Conference on Pharmacoepidemiology & Therapeutic Risk Management* will be held August 19-22, at the Quebec City Convention Centre, Quebec City, Canada.

Based on the strong responses received from academic programs to our query about the value they place on the Academic Showcase, we decided to retain the Academic Showcase as part of the Welcome Reception. We were delighted to learn the value academic programs place on their participation in the showcase. The Society will provide a dedicated booth in the exhibit hall for those academic programs that participate in the Academic Showcase to use during the conference.

The academic programs will be showcased at the Welcome Reception, which will begin at 6:30pm, Sunday, August 19, 2007. This kickoff social event traditionally is the "ice breaker" for the meeting. The Academic Showcase will conclude a day of special sessions for students and faculty, and meeting participants. In the morning, students may elect to participate in a special skills workshop organized by the ISPE Student Council and designed to meet student-identified needs (open only to students), or an *Introduction to Therapeutic Risk Management*, or a first-time course an *Introduction to Drug Utilization/Health Services Research*. Student also may attend the popular *Advanced Topics in Pharmacoepidemiology*, which will be offered in the afternoon. Please note that any student registering for the entire ISPE conference may attend the student skills workshop and educational courses at no charge. The Student Council also is planning a social event for students during the conference.

Academic Program Showcase

ISPE would like to highlight graduate academic programs in pharmacoepidemiology, therapeutic risk management, epidemiology, drug utilization/health service research, and other related disciplines at the conference. We believe this exposure is mutually beneficial to you and to the Society. As a participating academic program, you will:

- Introduce meeting attendees to new educational opportunities at your school.
- Provide an opportunity for your students to learn about the Society and career opportunities in pharmacoepidemiology and therapeutic risk management while networking with practicing professionals.
- Benefit from increased visibility with a tabletop display at the Welcome Reception
- Have access to a complimentary booth in the exhibit hall for use by all participating academic programs during the meeting (August 20-22)
- Receive ribbons indicating your status as an academic supporter
- Be listed in the final program distributed at the meeting and posted on the ISPE website
- Reinforce ties with your alumni.

We trust you will find this invitation an interesting opportunity for your program and your students, and we encourage your participation at this year's meeting. The registration fee for the 2007 Academic Showcase/Welcome Reception is \$650.00 (US) for Non-Member Academic Programs, or \$300.00 (US) for ISPE-member Academic Members (organizational members). If you would like to participate, please send the Academic Showcase/Welcome Reception registration form to the ISPE office (Fax 301-656-0989).

The International Society for Pharmacoepidemiology (ISPE) is an international organization dedicated to advancing the health of the public by providing a forum for the open exchange of scientific information and for the development of policy; education; and advocacy for the field of pharmacoepidemiology, including pharmacovigilance, drug utilization research, and therapeutic risk management.

Of course, we anticipate that your faculty and students will participate in the entire conference. For more information about the Society and the annual meeting, please visit the ISPE website, www.pharmacoepi.org.

We look forward to seeing you in Quebec City.

Sincerely,

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