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In our 27th annual presentation,
The Pharmacy Leadership & Education Institute (PLEI) announces
Dr. Robert Schoenhaus, winner of the Albert B. Prescott Pharmacy Leadership Award

February 4, 2013, East Hanover, NJ – Robert Schoenhaus, Pharm.D, is currently the Director of Pharmacy Benefits Administration at Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Group an affiliate of Sharp Healthcare, the largest integrated health care delivery system in San Diego, California. Robert also serves as an Assistant Clinical Professor at 5 separate Pharmacy Schools. He is the cofounder of the biannual Applied Pharmacoeconomics Forum at UC San Diego Dr. Schoenhaus will be honored during the APhA Annual meeting in Los Angeles, California, on Sunday, March 3, 5:30pm at the Los Angeles JW Marriott Platinum Salon B.

Nominator, Dr. Michael J. Negrete, writes, "...Dr. Schoenhaus has already accomplished a great deal to establish himself as a leader in the 9 short years since his graduation from UCSF. What I believe really sets Robert apart however, is his demonstrated interest and ability to not just lead current and future pharmacists, but to more importantly "lead beyond the profession."

While this type of leadership is critical to our profession's ability to push forward and seize opportunities presented by emerging health reforms, it is a type of leadership I very rarely encounter. To see Robert endeavoring to become such a leader so early in his career truly gives me hope that our profession will not let the current (and potentially last?) window of opportunity pass us by ... Dr. Schoenhaus's credentials and accomplishments are those of an outstanding candidate for the 2012 Albert Prescott Award."

The selection committee was comprised of Macary Marciniak, PharmD, Chair of the Committee, PLEI Board member John Grabenstein, PharmD; PDC Board member Amy Valdez; and by previous winners of this prestigious award: Scott Evans, PharmD, Jeff Neigh, PharmD, Tim Cutler, PharmD, and Conan MacDougall, PharmD.



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As Director of Pharmacy Benefits Administration, Robert oversees all department clinical programs, projects and daily activities that focus on pharmacy practice, prior authorization, and formulary management within the managed care population. Robert coordinates interdepartmental projects, including pay for performance and provides data analysis and recommendations to relevant committees to support the most efficient utilization of pharmacy products. Robert represents pharmaceutical care issues including health plan changes, regulatory matters, and continuity of patient care at the local, regional, and state level.

Robert received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of California, San Francisco and completed 2 years of post-graduate residency training at Kaiser Permanente and the Veteran's Affairs Hospital, both in San Diego. He subsequently established a new Pharmacoeconomics Specialist position at UCSD Medical Center, the only position of its kind within the University of California system.

About Pharmacy Leadership & Education Institute, Inc.

The Pharmacy Leadership & Education Institute (PLEI) develops leaders among student pharmacists and pharmacists by conducting programs to improve leadership skills, to strengthen the profession as a whole, and thereby advance the public health. PLEI takes a special interest in supporting and advancing the Phi Delta Chi Pharmacy Fraternity's mission of developing pharmacy's future leaders.

As a nationally active enterprise, PLEI strives to reach as many student pharmacists and young pharmacists as possible, in a variety of venues, to help them grow in their personal leadership skills, giving them examples of how to apply these skills in pharmacy settings (e.g., ambulatory, inpatient, long-term care, corporate, academia, government) and in their personal lives. Phi Delta Chi's 60th Grand Council (Memphis, 1995) authorized the Fraternity's Executive Council to establish a not-for-profit foundation to advance the leadership, educational, and other benevolent missions of the Fraternity. This charge was fulfilled in the creation of the Pharmacy Leadership & Education Institute, Inc. (PLEI), which held the inaugural meeting of its Board of Directors during APhA's 143rd Annual Meeting in Nashville, March 1996.

The Institute serves charitable and educational purposes, advancing the Fraternity's mission of training pharmacy's future leaders. The Institute aims to advance healthcare by improving the professional and interpersonal competencies of America's pharmacists and student pharmacists. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) recognizes the Institute as a 501(c) (3) charitable organization; EIN 582296988.



The PLEI coordinates the Prescott Pharmacy Leadership Award, the Leader Development Seminars, and other educational events for the Fraternity's Brothers and other members of the pharmacy profession.

The Institute is led by a Board of Directors of distinguished Brothers and colleagues. The Grand President, Grand Past President, and Executive Director serve *ex officio* on the PLEI Board of Directors.

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