



News Release

Pharmacists Honoured for Their Commitment to Patient Care

September 24, 2018 (St. John's, NL) Top pharmacists across the province were honoured this weekend at the Pharmacists' Association of Newfoundland and Labrador (PANL) annual Awards Gala.

Pharmacist of the Year

Nominated by their peers and their patients, the Pharmacist of the Year award is bestowed on a pharmacist who has gone above and beyond their regular roles in providing exemplary service. This year's Community Pharmacist of the Year is **Luke Agada**, of Shoppers Drug Mart, Grand Falls-Windsor.

The winner of the Hospital Pharmacist of the Year Award is **Michael Welsh** of Western Health.

Bowl of Hygeia

The Bowl of Hygeia is the most widely recognized symbol for the pharmacy profession and considered one of the profession's most prestigious awards. It is bestowed on pharmacists who possess outstanding records of civic leadership in their communities while encouraging fellow colleagues to take active roles in their own communities.

The winner of the 2018 Bowl of Hygeia Award is **Brenda Bursey**, of Shopper's Drug Mart, LeMarchant Road, St. John's.

Students of the Memorial School of Pharmacy were also honoured at this year's gala.

Student Spirit Award

This award is presented to a student enrolled in Memorial University's School of Pharmacy who has made an outstanding contribution to the profession through their activities as a volunteer, committee member or supporter. This year's winner is **Rachel Ward**.

Ralph J. Harris Award

The Ralph J Harris Future of Pharmacy Award is presented to a pharmacy student who exudes enthusiasm and passion for the future of pharmacy, is a visionary, involved in community volunteer work and enrolled in the MUN School of Pharmacy Program. This year's winner is **Amelia Clarke**.

CPBA / PANL Student Awards

Sponsored by the Canadian Pharmacists Benefits Association (CPBA), recipients are determined based on their involvement in PANL and university life, their thoughts on pharmacy and their career goals. This year's winners are: **Sarah Winsor, Rebecca Druken, Sydney Evans, and Christina Tran.**

PANL congratulates all winners for their accomplishments and their commitment to their patients and their profession.

PANL is the voice of pharmacists, with membership including over 700 pharmacists, 160 pharmacy students and 150 pharmacies. PANL advocates for pharmacists as health care team members integral to the effective and efficient delivery of health services in Newfoundland and Labrador.

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