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2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE PHARMACY: A HISTORY OF SERVICE & A FUTURE OF CARE

Friday, October 2nd to Sunday, October 4th, 2009

September 2009 (Gander) - The Pharmacists' Association of Newfoundland and Labrador is hosting its Annual Pharmacists' Conference this year at the Hotel Gander from October 2nd to the 4th. The theme of this year's Conference is *Pharmacy: A History of Service & A Future of Care*, reflecting on the historical evolution of the profession and its current and continuing dedication toward providing improved patient-centred care.

As the Annual Conference of the Association, this year's program reflects the current issues which are of paramount importance to our membership and, while Pharmacists will take this opportunity to celebrate their accomplishments, they will also use this meeting ground to focus on the ongoing challenges facing the profession. The Association will be presenting various reports from its standing committees, including government and third party relations.

During the conference, Pharmacists in the province will also be recognizing the achievements of their peers at the Annual Awards Presentation, to be held on Saturday, October 3rd.

President of the Pharmacists' Association, Trent White, of Stephenville, reflects: "Our theme for this year's conference: *Pharmacists: A History of Service & A Future of Care*, reflects the change that's ongoing in the Profession. Pharmacists are on the front-lines in Communities, Hospitals, and Universities working to optimize health outcomes through patient-centred care.

PANL is dedicated to Pharmacists being recognized for their contributions to Healthcare and to advocating on behalf of our membership to ensure that, not only can this work continue but that we build on it to utilize Pharmacists to their fullest potential and improve the health outcomes of Newfoundlanders and Labradorians.”

As outgoing President, Mr. White wishes to extend a special thanks to the Council and staff of the Association for their support and commitment during his one-year term and is looking forward to his new role as Past President.

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About the Pharmacists’ Association of Newfoundland and Labrador (PANL):

OUR VISION: We are a proactive, united professional association, effective advocates for the pharmacist as an integral health care team member and a leader in providing high quality health services.

OUR MISSION: The Pharmacists’ Association of Newfoundland and Labrador exists to advance the social, economic and professional well being of pharmacists.

OUR VALUES:

- Accountability & Transparency: We must consistently demonstrate accountability and transparency in our processes, monitoring and reporting.
- Collaboration & Partnerships: Our effectiveness is advanced when we work in collaboration with our key partners.
- Quality Health Services: We have a role and responsibility to protect and promote high quality and comprehensive public health services.
- Equity and Ethics: We must be guided by the principles of equity and ethics in all that we do.
- Respectful and Responsive: We must be responsible for maintaining a respectful and responsive environment for all our members.

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If you have questions about the conference, wish further information, or would like to receive this or other news releases via e-mail, please contact our office.

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