



PHARMACY PRECEPTOR SURVEY SUMMARY REPORT - 2013

The Preceptor Survey was available for online access in the AACCP Centralized Survey System on May 6, 2013. As of September 2013, 67 out of 129 (51.9%) colleges and schools of pharmacy administered the survey to their preceptors. Twenty-two thousand, nine hundred and eighty-eight (22,988) preceptors were invited to complete the survey. Seven thousand and twenty-three (7,023) preceptors submitted the survey for a total response rate of nearly thirty-one percent (30.6%). Response rates per school ranged from 5.3 percent to 75.4 percent. For more information regarding this summary report or the administration of the survey, please contact Danielle Taylor, associate director of institutional research and effectiveness (dtaylor@aacp.org).

Total number of schools: 67 (28 public, 39 private)

Total number of responses: 7,023

Total response rate: 30.6%

Section I: Demographic Questions

1. Gender:

	Response Percent	Response Total
Male	45.5%	3198
Female	54.5%	3825

2. Number of years as a licensed pharmacist:

	Response Percent	Response Total
1 to 5 years	15.6%	1099
6 to 10 years	19.8%	1391
11 to 15 years	14.8%	1042
more than 15	48.1%	3375
Not a licensed pharmacist	1.7%	116

3. My practice setting is best described as:

	Response Percent	Response Total
Acute care	27.4%	1923
Ambulatory care	12.2%	858
Academia	4.0%	284
Community pharmacy	30.7%	2153
Drug information	0.8%	58
General medicine	3.1%	215
Industry	1.0%	71
Management	6.6%	466
Other	14.2%	995

4. I precept students in:

	Response Percent	Response Total
Introductory pharmacy practice experiences (Introductory practice experiences occur prior to the final professional year of the curriculum and can include activities such as shadowing, interviewing patients, and service learning).	13.1%	920
Advanced pharmacy practice experiences. (Advanced practice experiences should involve direct patient care and most commonly form the core of the final professional year of the curriculum)	36.7%	2577
Both introductory and advanced pharmacy practice experiences	50.2%	3526

5. Do you have certification or designation through your state board of pharmacy as a preceptor?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Yes	46.8%	3288
No	53.2%	3735

6. Degree/Postgraduate Training (check all that apply):

	Response Percent	Response Total
B.S. Pharm	Multiple Answers Entered	2923
Pharm.D.	Multiple Answers Entered	4647
MBA	Multiple Answers Entered	321
Master's (other than MBA)	Multiple Answers Entered	501
Other professional Doctorate (JD, M.D., D.D.S.)	Multiple Answers Entered	42
Ph.D.	Multiple Answers Entered	118
Residency	Multiple Answers Entered	1843
Fellowship	Multiple Answers Entered	181
Other	Multiple Answers Entered	557

7. Number of years serving as a preceptor for this college/school:

	Response Percent	Response Total
less than 1 year	10.4%	731
1 to 3 years	31.2%	2194
4 to 6 years	24.4%	1717
7 to 10 years	12.7%	891
more than 10 years	21.2%	1490

8. Number of students directly precepted for this college/school over this past academic year.

	Response Percent	Response Total
less than 3	42.3%	2971
3 to 5	30.6%	2152
6 to 10	15.7%	1105
more than 10	11.3%	795

9. I precept students from _____ college/school(s).

	Response Percent	Response Total
1	43.8%	3074
2	26.8%	1879
3	14.9%	1043
more than 3	14.6%	1027

10. If you precept students from 2 or more college/schools, have you completed this survey for another college/school?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Yes	10.3%	722
No	50.7%	3563
Only precept students at one college/school	39.0%	2738

Section II: Communication

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
11. I know the process for documenting and addressing student performance from the college/school.	47.6% (3342)	49.8% (3500)	1.2% (82)	0.3% (21)	1.1% (78)
12. I receive the results from students evaluations of my rotation.	31.1% (2185)	37.4% (2630)	16.4% (1153)	6.6% (466)	8.4% (589)
13. I know how to utilize the process that exists within the college/school to effectively manage academic misconduct (e.g., plagiarism) by students.	27.9% (1956)	51.7% (3629)	13.0% (916)	1.4% (99)	6.0% (423)
14. I know how to utilize the process that exists within the college/school to effectively manage professional misconduct (e.g., repeated tardiness/absences, drug diversion) by students.	30.3% (2126)	53.3% (3746)	11.1% (782)	1.2% (83)	4.1% (286)
15. I know how to utilize policies of the college/school that deal with harassment and discrimination.	27.6% (1937)	50.4% (3541)	15.1% (1058)	1.4% (95)	5.6% (392)
16. The criteria for my performance as a preceptor are commensurate with my responsibilities as defined by the college/school.	33.9% (2381)	56.4% (3960)	3.0% (212)	0.5% (37)	6.2% (433)
17. The criteria for evaluating my performance as a preceptor are clear.	29.4% (2063)	49.8% (3496)	13.3% (932)	2.3% (160)	5.3% (372)

Section III: Curriculum

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
18. The responsibilities of the student have been defined at my site.	47.1% (3307)	50.6% (3554)	1.2% (86)	0.2% (14)	0.9% (62)
19. The responsibilities as a preceptor have been defined at my site.	42.9% (3016)	52.7% (3700)	3.0% (210)	0.3% (23)	1.1% (74)
20. The objectives for my pharmacy practice experience have been defined at my site.	44.8% (3145)	51.2% (3593)	2.1% (148)	0.3% (19)	1.7% (118)
21. I use feedback about my site to make improvements to my student practice experience.	44.4% (3120)	43.4% (3045)	3.7% (258)	0.7% (52)	7.8% (548)
22. I am aware of the mechanism to provide feedback to the college/school regarding the Pharm.D. curriculum.	31.6% (2219)	46.7% (3282)	15.4% (1080)	2.3% (164)	4.0% (278)
23. Students at my site are encouraged to assume responsibility for their own learning.	52.4% (3681)	44.1% (3096)	2.2% (153)	0.3% (24)	1.0% (69)
24. The assessment tools provided to me for my site are suitable for measuring student performance.	35.2% (2470)	56.2% (3947)	5.2% (363)	1.5% (102)	2.0% (141)

The Pharm.D. program prepares students to...

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
25. develop and use patient-specific pharmacy care plans.	35.3% (2476)	56.6% (3974)	2.2% (156)	0.3% (23)	5.6% (394)
26. effectively manage a patient-centered pharmacy practice.	34.3% (2409)	54.9% (3855)	4.0% (283)	0.5% (35)	6.3% (441)
27. develop disease management programs.	29.2% (2052)	54.3% (3814)	5.7% (403)	0.6% (41)	10.2% (713)
28. manage the system of medication use.	32.2% (2261)	56.5% (3968)	4.2% (295)	0.5% (33)	6.6% (466)
29. promote the availability of health promotion and disease prevention initiatives.	32.6% (2288)	56.8% (3991)	2.9% (207)	0.3% (20)	7.4% (517)
30. communicate with patients, caregivers, and other members of the interprofessional health care team.	41.3% (2897)	53.3% (3746)	2.4% (172)	0.4% (25)	2.6% (183)
31. search the health sciences literature.	43.0% (3018)	51.8% (3639)	2.3% (164)	0.4% (28)	2.5% (174)
32. evaluate the health sciences literature.	36.9% (2594)	55.1% (3871)	4.0% (278)	0.7% (49)	3.3% (231)
33. demonstrate expertise in the area of informatics (resources, devices, and methods required to optimize the acquisition, storage, retrieval, and use of information in pharmacy and healthcare).	31.6% (2221)	55.7% (3913)	5.6% (396)	0.9% (62)	6.1% (431)
34. apply state and federal laws and regulations to the practice of pharmacy.	34.7% (2437)	57.3% (4026)	2.3% (165)	0.4% (31)	5.2% (364)
35. maintain professional competence.	42.0% (2947)	53.7% (3773)	1.6% (114)	0.3% (21)	2.4% (168)

Section IV: Resources/Support

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
36. I have ongoing contact with the Office of Experiential Education.	28.6% (2010)	54.6% (3832)	10.5% (734)	1.3% (89)	5.1% (358)
37. I receive needed support from the Office of Experiential Education.	31.7% (2226)	52.9% (3718)	5.9% (416)	0.9% (60)	8.6% (603)
38. The student-to-preceptor ratios at my site are appropriate to maximize learning.	46.1% (3235)	50.4% (3542)	1.7% (121)	0.4% (31)	1.3% (94)
39. The college/school has an effective continuing professional development program for me that is consistent with my preceptor responsibilities.	31.0% (2175)	52.2% (3666)	7.5% (525)	1.2% (83)	8.2% (574)
40. There are adequate facilities and resources at the practice site to precept students.	40.4% (2834)	54.4% (3820)	3.4% (237)	0.7% (46)	1.2% (86)
41. The college/school provides me with access to library and educational resources.	37.4% (2628)	41.6% (2919)	8.9% (627)	3.1% (217)	9.0% (632)