

Media release

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LEAP into a brighter pharmacy leadership future

The Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia (SHPA) [opened applications today](#) for a career-changing international networking and intensive pharmacy leadership and learning opportunity in North America this December.

The seven-day, all-inclusive [Leadership Enrichment and Advancement in Pharmacy \(LEAP\) Program](#) – supported by [SHPA Strategic Partner, Roche](#) – will give nine hospital pharmacy leaders and one emerging leader full registration to the prestigious [2019 ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition](#) in Las Vegas, United States, including an exclusive meeting with representatives from the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

SHPA Chief Executive Kristin Michaels says the LEAP Program demonstrates SHPA's commitment to supporting hospital pharmacy leaders to strengthen their connections, practice and impact.

'The LEAP Program is our first major announcement with Roche, SHPA Strategic Partner, and we are delighted to offer such a rewarding, merit-based international experience to leading Australian hospital pharmacists, and a promising early career pharmacist.'

'The 2019 ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting is the largest gathering of pharmacists in the world, attended by more than 25,000 pharmacy professionals from around the globe, and we're confident the networking and learning opportunities will progress the careers of the selected LEAP Program participants, enriching Australia's pharmacy sector and, ultimately, enhancing patient outcomes.'

The ten-person program from Saturday 7 to Sunday 15 December 2019 will also include optional visits to a leading tertiary hospital and one of the world's largest pharmaceutical manufacturing plants.

Applications for nine senior and one emerging pharmacist position [close 11.59pm AEST Tuesday 27 August 2019](#).

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About SHPA

The Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia (SHPA) is the national, professional, for-purpose organisation for leading pharmacists and pharmacy technicians working across Australia's health system, advocating for their pivotal role improving the safety and quality of medicines use. Embedded in multidisciplinary medical teams and equipped with exceptional medicines management expertise, SHPA members are progressive advocates for clinical excellence, committed to evidence-based practice and passionate about patient care.

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