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## **MADISON PHARMACIST MARY HAYNEY, RPH, PHARM.D, HONORED AS GOOD GOVERNMENT AWARD RECIPIENT**

The Pharmacy Society of Wisconsin is pleased to recognize Mary Hayney, RPh, PharmD, a pharmacist at UW-Madison School of Pharmacy in Madison, as the recipient of the 2010 Good Government Award.

### **Mary Hayney, RPh, Professor, UW-Madison School of Pharmacy**

2009 may become known as the year of the pandemic influenza H1N1. In the fall of 2009, the Governor declared a State of Emergency in Wisconsin and urged residents to get vaccinated against this potentially deadly strain. State health officials reached out to pharmacy providers for help to get people vaccinated, especially, children. Mary worked with PSW to make sure pharmacists were prepared and trained to administer vaccinations. Mary, as a faculty member of the UW-Madison School of Pharmacy teaches students on the proper techniques of administering vaccinations. She worked with state officials to help clear the way for pharmacists to be allowed to administer the vaccination to children during the state of emergency. PSW hopes this experience will demonstrate the capabilities of pharmacists to administer vaccinations to this age group and will use this experience when we advance legislation next session for this allowance.

The Good Government Affairs Award is presented to a member of the Pharmacy Society of Wisconsin who has demonstrated a strong commitment to the advancement of the practice of pharmacy in the legislative arena.

Hayney was honored at a special awards reception on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Inn on the Park in Madison. The award is presented each year in conjunction with the annual Pharmacy Society of Wisconsin Legislative Day. Legislative Day provides an opportunity each year to put a face on PSW's legislative advocacy activities. The conference gives participants the chance to demonstrate to legislators the solidarity of our profession and to make the issues personal. Conference attendees will also gain an insider's view of the decision making process at the State Capitol, while reinforcing PSW's reputation of an informed membership and strong grassroots network.

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*PSW is a statewide professional association that represents over 2,000 Wisconsin pharmacists and pharmacy technicians. Wisconsin pharmacists dispense over five million prescriptions each month to consumers and have repeatedly been listed by national polling organizations as one of the most trusted professions in the United States.*