

Celebrate National Pharmacy Technician Day

Pharmacy technicians' contributions to safe and effective medication use will be celebrated this year on National Pharmacy Technician Day. The celebration, which occurs following ASHP's National Hospital & Health-System Pharmacy Week and in conjunction with APhA's American Pharmacists Month, will highlight the important role pharmacy technicians play in providing safe and effective medications for patients.

We encourage pharmacists and pharmacy managers to do something to honor National Pharmacy Technician Day and recognize pharmacy technicians as hard-working, valuable pharmacy staff members.

Here are some ideas to celebrate National Pharmacy Technician Day:

- Host a breakfast buffet, luncheon reception, pizza lunch, pot luck, dessert reception or open house
- Provide tokens of appreciation to your pharmacy technicians such as clothing, gift certificates, corsages, name tag holders, mugs, pins, etc.
- Hold a drawing for registration and/or hotel arrangements for a PSW Technician Forum or other conference
- Organize a continuing education program
- Write a personal letter and/or issue a certificate of appreciation from pharmacy management to each pharmacy technician staff member
- Post a banner inside or outside the pharmacy recognizing American Pharmacists Month, Hospital & Health-System Pharmacy Week, or National Pharmacy Technician Day
- Take pictures of staff and make a bulletin board or other display to showcase the pharmacy staff and their work
- Purchase a PSW Technician Section pin for each pharmacy technician