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GenerationRx

Safe medication practices for life.

Meet Our Committee Chair!

Generation Rx is about increasing public awareness of prescription medication abuse and encouraging health care providers, community leaders, parents, teens, and college students to actively work to prevent abuse.



Rachael Thompson
Class of 2018

Several years ago, a couple of my friends overdosed from abusing prescription medications. This affected me a great deal; this is why I chose Generation Rx. I hope that by reaching out and educating others on the dangers of abusing prescription medications I can decrease the number of lives lost from overdoses.

Our goal this year is to raise awareness in the community about prescription medication abuse.

Some events we have planned so far are homecoming, MUCOP annual health-fair, presenting at local schools, educating on medication theft at open houses, helping out with national drug take back days.

Mike Brown with the Fort Wayne Fire Department will be educating us on how to administer naloxone to counter the effects of opioid overdose.





Operation Heart aims to increase awareness and education of cardiovascular disease in the community. We use our education and training to make potential interventions with patients and hopefully increase public awareness of cardiovascular disease.

Our goal for Operation Heart is to seize the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of others through education on the risks, causes and solutions for those with and without cardiovascular disease.

We plan to continue our collaboration with the American Heart Association and the MUCOP annual health fair as well as focus on diet, exercise and nutrition education within the community.

Meet Our Committee Chairs!



Fedaa' Balouta
Class of 2019

I chose Operation Heart because I believe that prevention and management of cardiovascular disease (CVD) is integral to overall health. Americans' lifestyles and health greatly affect the onset of CVD. Therefore, through Operation Heart I can help spread awareness in fun and educational ways.

Often times those with cardiovascular disease can be asymptomatic until it's too late; which makes heart disease a prominent killer of people today. Most of these deaths can be prevented through early education, screenings and preventative measures. As pharmacy students, we are exposed to cardiovascular drugs and these preventable measures which make us the perfect candidates to stem a movement against cardiovascular disease. Knowing I can make a Difference is why I chose Operation Heart.



Alison Koelling
Class of 2018

Some of the events we are planning are blood glucose screenings, MUCOP annual health fair and to continue some of the events we organized last year. We want every member to feel welcome and encouraged to offer ideas for events

Our first goal is to have fun! Operation Diabetes plans to spread awareness and education through several events within the community. We plan to have training sessions to teach our members how to properly and accurately take a patients blood glucose.

Operation Diabetes strives to expand the education of its members to be able to recognize the risk factors for diabetes within the community. We also proactively spread awareness in the community and educate on the role a pharmacist can play in management and prevention of diabetes.

I chose Operation Diabetes because diabetes has become a very prevalent disease state in healthcare today. It is a passion of mine to learn about various disease states, namely diabetes, and the medications available to treat them. With this knowledge, we are able to educate about and decrease the negative effects of diabetes. Operation Diabetes allows me to take my education a step further and actively give back to the community.



Leilani Hirasuna
 Class of 2018

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Victoria Rundquist
 Class of 2019

When I started at Manchester I wanted to be an active member of an organization, but was unsure which one. I chose Operation Diabetes because I thought it seemed like the most involved and active group. At my first meeting I fell in love! The group was so welcoming and wanted to get me involved in every way possible! It was an awesome feeling to finally feel like I could make a difference. I love Operation Diabetes

Operation Immunization is an education campaign designed to increase the public's knowledge of immunizations while increasing the number of immunizations given. The operation spreads awareness and dispels the myths and misconceptions of vaccines.

Our goals this year will be to continue our partnerships with local pharmacies. Get more involved with the underserved community and spread awareness through interactive and fun activities.

Some events we have planned are shot clinics with Walgreens and Super Shots. Kindergarten roundups, MUCOP annual health fair, collaborating with other organizations on campus and the 2nd annual vaccine refresher; to name a few

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Kareem Addassi
Class of 2019

There are many obstacles within our society regarding immunizations; not only is the receipt of vaccines an obstacle but vaccine availability as well. As student pharmacists we play an integral role within our community and knowing we are making a difference is a rewarding feeling. Being a part of this organization has molded me into the student pharmacist that I am today and has shown me that I can and do play a major role within our community. These are just some reasons why I chose Operation Immunization.



Ermin Begovic
Class of 2018

Operation Immunization caught my eye the moment I started at Manchester; my family has opposite views about immunizations. I wanted to be able to learn more about vaccines, this way I could clear up misconceptions and help spread awareness about the benefits of being immunized.

