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COUNCIL ANNOUNCES BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTION RESULTS

Scottsdale, AZ – The National Council for Prescription Drug Programs has announced the results from the 2008 Board of Trustees election and welcomed two new incoming Board members.

NCPDP members voted for two open slots in the Producer/Provider category.

Stephen C. Mullenix, R.Ph., Director, Professional Relations for Covidien/Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals was elected to the Board. Mullenix has been a member of NCPDP since 1992. He currently serves as a Standardization Co-Chair.

Also in the Producer/Provider category, incumbent candidate **Thomas J. Sheehan, III,** MBA, National Pricing Manager for TAP Pharmaceuticals, Inc. was re-elected. Sheehan recently served as the Chair for the Finance Committee as well as Co-Chair of WG7 Manufacturer Rebates.

There were two open slots in the Vendor/General Interest category.

Perry Lewis, Vice President, Government Affairs for Fiserv Pharmacy Solutions was elected to the Board. Lewis has been a member of NCPDP since 1995. Lewis serves as Co-Chair for WG16 Property and Casualty/Workers' Compensation.

Incumbent candidate **Thomas Bizzaro**, R.Ph, Vice President, Sales and Marketing for First DataBank was re-elected to the Board. Bizzaro has been a member of the Awards and Strategic Planning Committees.

NCPDP would like to thank outgoing Board member, **Ross D. Martin**, MD, MHA, Director, Health Information Convergence for BearingPoint.

Returning Board of Trustees include: **Bob Beckley**, Senior Vice President, Alliances & Product Strategy for SureScripts, **Marla R. Brickley**, B.A., BSN, Strategic Account Manager for Actelion Pharmaceuticals US, Inc., **Annette Gabel**, Executive Director, Industry Standards Compliance for Medco Health Solutions, Inc., **Dan Hardin**, R.Ph., Senior Vice President for SXC Health Solutions, Inc., **Wayne P. Karp**, R.Ph., Consultant for Pharmacy Industry Consultants, LLC, **John Klimek**, R.Ph., Manager-RxView for SUPERVALU, Inc., **John Lavin**, MBA, MPH, Vice President, Industry Relations

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for CVS Caremark/Caremark, **Charlie Oltman,** MBA, National Managed Care Administrator for Target Corporation, **Marjorie K. Simos,** BS Pharmacy, industry consultant, **Michele M. Vilaret,** R.Ph., Director of Telecommunication Standards for National Association of Chain Drug Stores and **Margaret Weiker,** Director, BES Global Product, Standards and Sales for EDS.

The Board of Trustees oversees all Council activities and has final authority over all Council industry standardization development activities and the application of those standards for candidacy as American National Standards. The Board sets the strategic direction of the organization and is charged with the fiduciary responsibilities associated with operating the Council. The Board also appoints various standing and ad-hoc committees such as Executive Committee and the Standardization Committee.

About NCPDP

Founded in 1977, NCPDP is a not-for-profit, ANSI-accredited, Standards Development Organization with over 1500 members representing virtually every sector of the pharmacy services industry. Our diverse membership provides leadership and healthcare business solutions through education and standards, created using the consensus building process. NCPDP has been named in federal legislation, including HIPAA and the MMA. NCPDP members have created standards such as the Telecommunication Standard and Batch Standard, the SCRIPT Standard for e-Prescribing, the Manufacturers Rebate Standard and more to improve communication within the pharmacy industry. Our data services include dataQ, the trusted source for intelligent pharmacy data and HCldea, the prescriber identity solution. For more information about NCPDP Standards, Data Services, Educational Programs and Work Group meetings, go online at www.ncpdp.org or call (480) 477-1000.

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