

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **NCPDP BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTION RESULTS**

**Scottsdale, AZ** - The National Council for Prescription Drug Programs has announced the results from the 2006 Board of Trustees election and welcome two new, incoming Board members.

NCPDP members voted for two open slots in the Payer/Processor category. John Lavin, MBA, MPH, Vice President of Industry Relations for Caremark joins the Board of Trustees again. He previously served on the Board from 1998 to 2004 and served as Board Chair in 2002-2003.

Also from the Payer/Processor category, incumbent candidate Annette Gabel was re-elected. Gabel, a WG1 Telecommunication Co-Chair, is also the Chair of the Finance Committee and is an active member of X12, WEDi, ASAP and AMA. She serves as Executive Director, Industry Standards Compliance for Medco Health.

Incumbent candidate Charlie Oltman, MBA, was re-elected in the only open slot in the Producer/Provider category. Oltman, National Managed Care Administrator for Target Stores, is a Co-Chair of MC Maintenance and Control and has served as Co-Chair of WG4 Provider/Member Enrollment and WG5 Payment Reconciliation.

There were two positions available in the Vendor/General Interest category. Wayne Karp, R.Ph., of Pharmacy Industry Consultants was elected to one position. Karp is a Co-Chair of WG3 Standard Identifiers and has been Co-Chair of WG4 Provider/Member Enrollment and WG5 Payment Reconciliation. Karp is an active member of APhA.

Also from the Vendor/General Interest category, incumbent candidate Bob Beckley was re-elected. Beckley serves as Vice President, Pharmacy Relations for SureScripts. He is the Chair of the Website Committee and has served as Co-Chair of WG3 Standard Identifiers and WG11 e-Prescribing & Related Transactions.

NCPDP would like to thank two outgoing members of the Board of Trustees: John Bergan, Vice President, Operations & Information Systems for RESTAT and Nancy Nemes, Director, QA & Standards Compliance for Emdeon Business Services.

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The existing Board members from the Payer/Processor category are Dale Chamberlain, CTO and Vice President from Express Scripts, Inc., Dan Hardin, R.Ph., MBA, Vice President, Business Development for ACS Government Solutions, and Margaret Weiker, Director, BES HC Product, Standards and Sales for EDS.

The existing Board members from the Producer/Provider category are Marla Brickley, National Account Manager for Actelion Pharmaceuticals, Ross Martin, M.D., MHA, Director, Business Technology from Pfizer, Inc., John Klimek, R.Ph., Manager, Rx View for Albertson's and Thomas J. Sheehan III, MBA, Senior Manager, Sales Operations Systems from TAP Pharmaceuticals.

The existing Board members from the Vendor/General Interest category are Tom Bizzaro, R.Ph., Vice President, Sales and Marketing from First DataBank, Board Chair Carol Cerney, R.Ph., MBA, Pharmacy Consultant with Per-Sé Technologies and Kevin Nicholson, R.Ph., J.D., Vice President, Pharmacy Regulatory Affairs.

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## **About NCPDP**

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