

# Graduate Program Alumni

## 2003 Graduates

### **Brian S. Custer, M.P.H., Ph.D.**

Thesis Title: *Blood Safety and Resource Allocation: Economic analysis of donated blood safety initiatives.*

Current Position: Research Scientist, Blood Centers of the Pacific

### **Kristin D. Marciante, M.P.H., Ph.D.**

Thesis Title: *Modeling the Long-Term, Population-based Outcomes of Diabetic Retinopathy.*

Current Position: Post-Doctoral Fellow, Cardiovascular Health Research Unit, UW/Group Health

### **Karen L. Smith, M.S.**

Thesis Title: *Accuracy of pharmacy claims database 'days supply' measure and its effect on continuous medication adherence measures in type 2 diabetics.*

Current Position: Graduate student, University of Arizona

## 2002 Graduates

### **Denise M. Boudreau, M.S., Ph.D.**

Thesis Title: *The Association between HMG-CoA Inhibitor Use and Breast Cancer: a Case-Control Study & A Comparison of Patient Interview Data and Pharmacy Records for Antihypertensive, Lipid Lowering, and Antidepressant Medication Use among Older Women.*

Current Position: Research Scientist, Center for Health Studies, Group Health Cooperative of Puget Sound

### **Christopher R. Flowers, M.D., M.S**

Thesis Title:

Current Position: Fellow in Medical Oncology, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, University of Washington School of Medicine

## 2001 Graduates

### **Holly Carlton, Pharm.D., M.S.**

Thesis Title: *Judicious use of antibiotics in Otitis Media: analysis of antibiotic utilization patterns and guideline compliance*

Current Position: Director of Pharmacy, Community Health Plan of Washington

### **Nathorn Chaikyapruk, Pharm.D., Ph.D.**

Dissertation Title: *Meta-analysis and cost-effectiveness analyses of chlorhexidine gluconate and povidine iodine use for the prevention of catheter-related bloodstream infection*

Current Position: Instructor, Department of Pharmacy Practice, School of Pharmacy, Naresuan University

### **Mitchell Higashi, M.B.A., Ph.D.**

Dissertation Title: *Assessing the clinical and economic impact of genetic polymorphisms*

Current Position: Global Health Outcomes, GlaxoSmithKline

### **Todd Lee, Pharm.D., Ph.D.**

Dissertation Title: *Comparison of the cost-effectiveness of Traimcinolone Acetonide (Azmacort HFA) and Fluticasone Propionate (Flovent) in adult asthmatics in a randomized controlled equivalence trial*

Current Position: Senior Investigator, Midwest Center for Health Services and Policy Research and Research Assistant Professor, Center for Healthcare Studies, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

## Graduation 2001

Nathorn Chaikyapruk, Mitchell Higashi and Todd Lee, the first Ph.D. students admitted into our program in its inaugural year of 1997 participated in this year's School of Pharmacy Graduation ceremony. The ceremony was held June 8, 2001, at Meany Hall. Also graduating was the program's first recipient of the combined Pharm.D./M.S. degree, Holly Carlton. All of the graduates are eager to begin their new careers in academia and industry.

The PORPP faculty, students, and staff are extremely proud of our graduates.



Faculty and Graduates at Graduation

Back row, l-r, Eric Johnson, Sean Sullivan, Todd Lee, David Veenstra, Tom Hazlet, Jackie Gardner Front row, l-r, Mitch Higashi, Nui Chaiyakunapruk, Holly Carlton

#### 1999 Graduates

**Donna Marshall, Pharm.D., M.S.**

Thesis Title: *Association between neuroleptic drug exposure and tardive dyskinesia*

Current Position: Marshall RX Consultants Inc

**Sunshine D. Sommers, R.Ph., M.S.**

Thesis Title: *The emergency contraception collaborative prescribing experience in Washington state: A program evaluation*

Current Position: Pharmaceutical Outcomes Evaluator/Medication Quality and Information Manager, Group Health Cooperative

#### 1998 Graduate

**David Smith, R.Ph., M.H.A., Ph.D.**

Dissertation Title: *Medication compliance and cost and utilization outcomes associated with pharmacist's cognitive service interventions*

Current Position: Investigator, Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Research