

## **Media Advisory**

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## **AAPS Recognizes National Ethics Awareness Month**

Arlington, VA—AAPS is recognizing National Ethics Awareness Month and the importance of ethically conducted, accessible research in pharmaceutical science in March. As a non-profit, professional society of over 7,000 pharmaceutical scientists, and the organization behind four highly regarded scientific journals and numerous scientific meetings, AAPS and its members continually contribute credible research to the body of science.

"Pharmaceutical scientists must hold themselves to the highest ethical standards as we investigate new sources of potential cures for patients worldwide and face the challenges of testing our ideas and bringing them to market," AAPS President Patrick Sinko, Ph.D., said. "AAPS takes responsibility for challenging and seriously debating all aspects of pharmaceutical science. We conduct rigorous peer reviews that assure the readers of our journals and the attendees at our meetings that they are receiving high-quality research. AAPS is essential in supporting scientists who want to do the right thing by delivering trustworthy science and positively impacting human health."

"As the pace of pharmaceutical development continues to accelerate, it is more important than ever that the quality of our science is not compromised," AAPS Executive Director Tina Morris, Ph.D. said. "Organizations like AAPS, especially through our respected, peer-reviewed journals, play an integral role in advancing good science to save patient lives."

In recognition of National Ethics Awareness Month, AAPS is offering webinars focused on ethical topics in publishing and also sharing *AAPS Newsmagazine* articles that address the topic,

including "Ethics in Research and Clinical Trials" and "Protected Values: What Drives Your Ethical Behavior in the Workplace."

"Peer review of scientific manuscripts, before publication, is crucial in assuring distribution of valid and significant scientific findings to the world," said Ho-Leung Fung, Ph.D., Editor-in-Chief of *The AAPS Journal*. He presented the Feb. 28 webinar, "Understanding the 'Dreaded' Manuscript Review Process."

Visit <u>www.aaps.org/elearning</u> to view AAPS' schedule of webinars and <u>www.aaps.org/journals</u> for information about AAPS Journals.

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