

2017 Henkin Fellowships Awarded

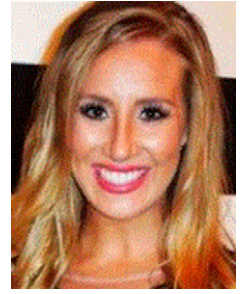
SNMMI and the Education and Research Foundation for Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging announced in February that Ashley Mishoe, PharmD, and Daniel L. Yokell, PharmD, are the recipients of the 2017 Robert E. Henkin Government Relations Fellowship. Each year, the fellowship recipients travel to Washington, DC, to spend 1 week with SNMMI staff and to visit Congress, federal agencies, and other medical professional societies. Throughout the visit, fellows learn about ways in which federal legislative and regulatory processes affect nuclear medicine and molecular imaging. The program is designed for young professionals, defined as residents or fellows (physicians, scientists, or technologists) who have completed training within the last 10 years.

Mishoe currently serves as Cyclotron Facilities manager at the University of California, San Francisco, where she works with researchers to bring novel radiotracers into routine clinical use. In 2008, she received her undergraduate degree in psychology and then focused on a career in radiopharmacy and PET regulatory affairs. In 2012, she received her PharmD from the South Carolina College of Pharmacy (Charleston). In addition to volunteering at several professional societies, Mishoe also studies federal regulations to understand their effects on daily operations in radiopharmacies. She hopes to use the Henkin fellowship to become director of an academic PET research facility that advocates for advancement of radiopharmaceutical sciences.

Yokell serves as director of Good Manufacturing Practice PET Production Chemistry and Regulatory Affairs at the Gordon Center for Medical Imaging at the Massachusetts

General Hospital (MGH) and lectures in radiology at Harvard University (Boston, MA). He received his PharmD from Northeastern University (Boston, MA) in 2009 and completed his postgraduate Nuclear Regulatory Commission authorized user training at The Ohio State University (Columbus). Based on knowledge and experience he gained during participation in SNMMI's 2013 Capitol Hill Day, he was chosen to lead U.S. Pharmacopeia compliance efforts for the MGH Department of Radiology. Yokell hopes to use the Henkin fellowship to enhance his knowledge of regulatory and government affairs issues to educate stakeholders on the essential roles of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging in patient care. He hopes to use the fellowship to leverage opportunities that may come from increased funding for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the National Institutes of Health under the 21st Century Cures Act.

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