

Dr. Renee Robinson has worked in Alaska for over 10 years. Since 2008 she has served Alaskan communities and the profession of pharmacy, mentoring students, residents, and new practitioners. Her sustained contributions are almost too numerous to count, and some highlights are below. I strongly urge you to view her extensive CV for a more complete listing of all that she has accomplished.

One of her first roles as a pharmacist in Alaska was as a Student Program Coordinator. In this role she coordinated schedules, evaluations, and projects among 25 preceptors to ensure students received successful learning experiences. While serving as Coordinator, she was also the primary preceptor to 16 students from 2009-2010. She impacted the career trajectories of these students with many going on to pursue public health service. As an Ambulatory Pediatric Pharmacist and Resident Preceptor (2008-2010), she established an outpatient pediatric ambulatory elective for residents. She advanced the profession of pharmacy by working to fully integrate pharmacists into daily clinical pediatric care (e.g., weekly team meetings, journal clubs, medical assistant education, etc.) and ensuring safe and effective use of medications. She established new clinical interventions and operating procedures to address clinical initiatives in areas such as H1N1 influenza prevention and antibiotic utilization and selection, etc.

Renee then spent nearly a decade advocating for the profession and the community through a successful career as a Clinical Pharmacist, Senior Researcher, and Medical Services Division Research Department Team Lead. She designed research studies and secured national funding to improve the health of the Alaska Native community. For example, she helped implement a depression tool in six clinics making this resource available to 65,000 Alaska Native and American Indian individuals. She also improved colorectal screening by 10% in a text messaging study. These are just two examples of the work that she achieved with invaluable direct and indirect benefits to the community. During this time, she also mentored others. As a Medical Services Team Research Lead, she led 14 research projects, mentored and managed nine master's level researchers, four research interns, eight resource associates, and 30+ external partners. She mentored and supervised six USPHS ambulatory care pharmacy residents on research rotations. Her daily sustained service established a foundation for excellence and moved the profession forward. She also advocated and highlighted the work that pharmacists can do by presenting at over 40 local, regional, and national scientific meetings and drafting/submitting 18+ manuscripts to peer-reviewed journals.

More recently, Renee has taken her years of experience in mentoring students and now works as an Associate Professor for the University of Alaska Anchorage/Idaho State University Doctor of Pharmacy Program. She continues to mentor new practitioners and students, advancing the current and future practice of pharmacy. Her extensive teaching experience, including didactic course offerings, independent studies, and advanced and introductory pharmacy practice experiences (APPEs/IPPEs) are available in her CV.

State and national association activities

Renee has always been an active member in state and national associations, serving in numerous leadership positions.

2020-2021: Alaska Pharmacist Association, Immunization Task Force

2020-2021: Alaska Pharmacist Association, Chair of the Academic Committee (partner with AKPhA Student Liaison)

2019-2021: ACCP, Appointed Chair, Pediatrics PRN Workgroup, Poster reviewer, and PRN grant development team

Dec 2009 – Present: American Society of Health Systems Pharmacy Member

Oct 2008 – Present: Alaska Pharmacists Association Member

Jul 1999 – Present: American College of Clinical Pharmacy: Full Member (9/03)

2020: American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP) Futures Grant Review, Junior Investigator Applications

2020: American Public Health Association (APHA), Abstract reviewer

2019-2020: APhA Substance abuse Training, Faculty Advisor

2019: ASHP Abstract Review, Midyear meeting

May 2016: Joint Federal Pharmacy Seminar (APHA) abstract review

Jan 2016: ASHP Federal Delegate Appointment

2016: ASHP Federal Forum Planning Committee Appointment 2016 (Invocation address -2016 Midyear)

2016: ASHP Federal Forum Planning Committee Appointment 2016 (Invocation, 2016 Midyear)

2013-2015: Alaska Public Health Association (Board of Directors Appointment, Treasurer, 2014)

Jul 2014: Invited to serve on American Public Health Association Committee to pilot test CDC CEU – “Preventing adverse drug events: Individualizing glycemic targets using health literacy strategies”

Jan 2013 – Dec 2014: Alaska Public Health Association, Treasurer

Community Service Activities

Renee's service to the community and her profession are inspiring. She spends countless hours outside of "normal business hours" participating in both pharmacy-related and non-pharmacy related activities. Some of her professionally-related activities are listed below. It should be noted that she gives back to her community in all that she does, even outside of a professional capacity. For example, she is a volunteer yoga instructor at the Covenant House and previously volunteered in this capacity as well as a Board Member at Anchorage Native Head Start. She knits quilts for kids, has participated in Big Brothers Big Sisters Kidney Camp, and many other events.

2019-2021: Alaska Healthcare Transformation Workgroup, Appointed Cost and Quality Data working to establish a statewide healthcare data repository, Workgroup Member (Membership includes State Senators and Representatives)

2019-2021: Diabetes Coalition, Statewide Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) Initiative to improve diabetes management and health outcomes, funded by CDC, Evidence-Based Management & Prevention, Workgroup Co-Chair Notable accomplishments include completion of Social Network Analysis for Diabetes Collaborations across state

2019-2021: Take Heart Alaska, Statewide DHSS Initiative to improve cardiovascular health in the state, funded by CDC, Quality Metrics and Data, Workgroup Chair – Notable accomplishments include connection to PPSA Operations

2019-2020: UAA/ISU, Established Assisted Living Home Vaccine Program within College of Pharmacy (Over 1200 vaccines over 2 years, 1 National Poster, 2 regional presentations)

2019: Prince Williams Health Fair, Faculty Advisor (National Video Presentation – American Public Health Association Meeting)

2018: IPEC USPHS Award Committee, Co-Chair/Application Reviewer

Nov 2017- Oct 2022: NIH Data Safety Monitoring Board appointment for RCT of Resistant Starch to Reduce Colon Cancer Risk in Alaska Native People

Aug 2017- Jul 2022: NIH Data Safety Monitoring Board appointment for Native Chart Study

Jul 2017: USPHS Book Circle, Leadership and Self-Deception (co-lead)

Jun 2017: HRSA grant reviewer

Jun 2017-Present: USPHS Women's Leadership Support Group (co-lead), Regional liaison (Nov 2017)

Apr 2017-Jun 2017: USPHS COF Poster Committee and Judge

2017-2018: IPEC Award Committee – Co-Chair, Inaugural Excellence in Education Collaboration Award

Apr 2017: Consultant, FDA, Office of Women's Health (OWH) Research Program: Evaluation of the Extent and Impact of Gender Sensitive Advertising and Promotional Labeling of Health Products

Mar 2017: Invited Institute of Translational Health Sciences, Grant Reviewer, Research Scholars Program

Feb 2017-Apr 2017: Participated in Leadership and Self-Deception Book with USPHS, chosen to lead next session

Feb 2017: Invited NIH Tribal Consultation Advisory, Technical Advisor/Committee Member

Apr 2017: Invited Grant Reviewer/ Panel Lead, CDC Cancer Prevention and Control Programs Grant

2009 – 2017: SCF Experiential Program coordinator (2009-10), ASHP residency preceptor (7 residents), mentor (5 researchers)

Jan 2017: Invited book chapter reviewer, Pediatric Pharmacotherapy Second Edition (Osteogenesis Imperfecta)

Nov 2016: Clinical and Translational Science, invited journal reviewer

Oct 2016 – Oct 2017: Alaska Native Health Research Conference Planning Committee

Oct 2016: UAA STEM Day: Research Presentation, Career panel, Hands-on Science Booth (499 attendees)

Nov 2016–2018: PharmPac Honors Award Process Team (HAP) (developed rubric for PharmPAC award)

Jun 2016: Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program (ANSEP) Acceleration Academy

May 2016: Remote Area Medical, Healthcare provider (790 patient care visits/ 271 pairs of glasses), Durant, OK

Jan 2016: Public Health Excellence in Interprofessional Education Collaboration Award Committee

2016: RDF4 Deployment team, Appointed to Administrative team, served as co-deputy in Louisiana Flood

2016 – 2019: IPEC Award committee, Co-Lead for USPHS Award

2016 – 2019: Appointed, NIH Data Safety Monitoring Board member for 2 studies

2015 – 2017: Expert reviewer, 5 national grant cycle, 3 Patient Centered Outcome Research Institute, 2 CDC (Chair x1)

2015-2016: TCASW, Rx for Change Presenter 2016, Research co-lead (Pfizer unrestricted grant, AMA grant)

2015-2019: COA Annual Meeting, Invited Speaker, Moderator, and Mentor (2015), Planning Committee 2016

Dec 2015, Apr 2016: Appointed National Merit Grant Reviewer for Patient-Centered Outcome Research Institute (PCORI): Cross Network PPRN grant, scientist role

Oct 2015: Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior, invited journal reviewer

2015-2016: TCASW, Rx for Change Presenter 2016, Co-led Pfizer unrestricted grant & AMA grant submission

Apr 2015-Present: CDC Medication Safety Initiative Workgroup, Appointed

Oct 2014 – Present: Appointed, Institute of Translational Health Sciences (ITHS), Regional Advisory Workgroup
 Oct 2014: Appointed, National Merit Grant Reviewer for Patient-Centered Outcome Research Institute (PCORI), stakeholder
 Sept 2014 – Present: Optimal Maintenance Aspirin Dose for Patients with Coronary Artery Disease
 Regional Educational Laboratory of Education Northwest, Invited member of committee to establish Early Childhood Research Agenda
 Sept 2014: Invited Member, Patient-Centered Outcome Research Institute (PCORI) Workgroup to Establish Framework for Dissemination and Implementation of Patient-Centered Outcome Research
 Jul 2014 – Aug 2014: Invited virtual grant Reviewer/Panel Lead for Public Health Initiative at CDC “Partnerships to Improve Community Health (PICH)
 Jan 2012 – 2015: Kids Corp -Anchorage Head Start Board of Directors (Secretary 2014); Obtained external grant funding and developed Medication Safety Program for Children and Families enrolled in Anchorage Head Start Program
 Jan 2009 – Dec 2011: Community Initiatives Committee Chair (Raised > \$1000 for Cancer / Diabetes)
 Jan 2009 – Present: Member of Conference Committee (secured 7 educational grants >\$30,000)
 2008 – 2019: Editorial Board, Annals of Pharmacotherapy, Reviewer 10 journals, > 60 reviews (e.g. Federal Practitioner)
 Jan 2012 – Dec 2012: Board Appointment
 2009-2018: USPHS Scientific Training Symposium, Abstracts Committee; Co- Lead-2015-17, Track Lead 2013-14; Collateral duties since last promotion: COA Abstract Committee Co-lead, Women’s Leadership Support Group Regional Lead;
 Sep 2003 – 2016: Editorial Review Board Annals of Pharmacotherapy – (Pediatrics)
 Jul 1999 – Present: Reviewer Annals of Pharmacotherapy (>70 articles)
 Jan 2009 – Present: Federal Practitioner, reviewer (25+ articles)
 Jun 2014 – May 2019: Medical Services Department, Core Business Workgroup
 Mar 2014 – May 2019: Sexually Transmitted Diseases Workgroup
 Apr 2011 – May 2019: Planning and Grants Departmental Liaison
 Feb 2011 – May 2019: Alaska Area Investigational Review Board Liaison
 Oct 2010 - May 2019: Research Oversight Committee
 Oct 2009 – Sep 2010: Pediatric Quality Assurance Committee
 Dec 2009 – Sep 2010: Over-the-counter Medications Committee
 Mar 2009 – Dec 2011: Palliative and Pain Management Multidisciplinary Workgroup
 Dec 2008 – Sep 2010: Pediatric Journal Club

Awards-career-related and community service related

2018 - NIH Director's Award, Ebola Response Team
 2017 - PHS Commendation Medal for development of shared decision-making tool to manage depression
 2017 - PHS Achievement Medal for leading a behavioral health center grant in 5 weeks, avg 5 months
 2009-2017 - PHS Unit Commendations (10) – For efforts including: patient-care excellence, mentorship, and training
 Feb 2015 - Unit Commendation, USPHS Residence Program
 Jun 2014 - SCF Living Our Values Award (Highest tribal honor for commitment to advancing SCF mission and vision)
 2013 - Federal Employee of the Year, Category V (First award to IHS Region X)
 Jan 2013 - Federal Employee of the Year Award, Category V
 Oct 2012 - Regular Corp Ribbon
 Mar 2012 - Special Assignment Award
 Sept 2011 - Institute of Translational Health Sciences, Visiting Scholars Program Grant
 Apr 2011, Sept 2011 - Travel Award Recipient, Institution of Translational Health Sciences Training Award
 Sept 2011 - Indian Health Service (IHS) Junior Pharmacist of the Year
 Nov 2010 - Achievement Medal, Pediatric Outpatient Pharmacy Program
 Apr 2010 - Unit Commendation for ANMC Pharmacy Student Preceptor Team
 Mar 2010 - COA Ribbon
 Oct 2009 - AMCP Competitive Pain Management Traineeship Award
 Mar 2009 - PHS Commissioned Corps Training Ribbon
 Sep 2001 - Mary Palmer Scholarship from Ohio State University, School of Public Health
 May 2001 - Travel Award Recipient, American Society of Hypertension (ASH)
 Mar 2001 - Travel Award Recipient, American Federation of Medical Researchers (AFMR)
 Mar 1998 - The Surgeon’s General Award