

## In the Spotlight



### **2010 Distinguished Service Award Winner**

**Paul D. Moore, D.Ph.**

Senior Health Policy Advisor

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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Office of Rural Health Policy

Paul Moore brings a lifetime of experience related to health care from both his family heritage and more than 30 years in community and hospital pharmacy. He owns a community pharmacy in eastern Oklahoma and Pharmacy & Consulting Management Company, which provides remote pharmacist services to small, rural hospitals in multiple states.

Paul has served as the Chief Executive Officer of his local County Healthcare Authority consisting of the hospital, a home health agency, the county EMS, and a physician clinic. At a time when many small rural hospitals were facing financial closure, he was instrumental in converting the hospital to the first Critical Access Hospital in the southern part of the country and became a spokesperson for the designation that has now grown to over 1300 hospitals nationwide.

Paul has had extensive involvement with the Section of Inpatient Care Practitioners and has helped secure ASHP's presence in diverse rural healthcare settings. He has served as a member of the Section's Advisory Group on Small and Rural Hospitals and has been speaker and moderator for several of the small and rural hospital programming sessions at the Midyear Clinical Meetings. He has also served on the Leadership Coordinating Council of the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration, Patient Safety and Clinical Pharmacy Services Collaborative. He has leveraged the respect our profession garners on behalf of rural patients and providers as the 2008 President of the National Rural Health Association and, until recently, has been actively involved in rural health and pharmacy associations at both the state and national levels.

Paul continues to represent our profession and the people we serve in his current post as Senior Health Policy Advisor to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources Services Administration, Office of Rural Health Policy.