

Two fourth year pharmacy students, Jason Shooshtari and Su Su Oo, undertook research projects with Associate Professor Ian McGrane during their summer APPE rotations at the Neurobehavioral Medicine Inpatient Unit (NBMI) of St. Patrick Hospital. Jason's project was titled "Inpatient psychiatry patient medication education groups: A retrospective observational case series evaluating education provided on prescribed psychiatric medications at discharge and documentation practices", and was published in the Journal of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (<https://accpjournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/jac5.1891>). Su Su's project was titled "Med Rec Double-Check: Inpatient Psychiatry Medication Errors Identified on Admission using Medicaid Web portals and Electronic Pharmaceutical Claims Data" which has been accepted for publication in the Mental Health Clinician, the official journal of the American Association of Psychiatric Pharmacists.

Jason says: ""Pursuing research has always been an aspiration of mine, and I am thankful for the opportunity early in my career. My mentorship experience has been invaluable in supporting my goals of professional achievement and advancing the pharmacy profession. I plan to use the skills I have gained to pursue future projects.""

Su Su says "Having the opportunity to publish a manuscript with Dr. Ian McGrane made my rotation highly interactive and fulfilling as an APPE student and has allowed me to feel confident in myself as I apply for residency. I felt positively challenged and mentored to learn new skills such as how to collect data to conduct statistical analyses, write a manuscript, and collaborate with a peer-review team. In addition, I gained a stronger foundation in assessing the accuracy of medication reconciliations and understand the value of advocating for this innovative process "double med rec check" for the safety of patients."