

AN ASSESSMENT OF PHARMACY STUDENTS' ATTITUDES TOWARDS GLOBAL HEALTH (C1), Brian Kaiser, Sharon Youmans. UCSF Medical Center, San Francisco, CA (brian.kaiser@ucsf.edu) IRB approval received.

Previous global health experiences along with desires for and perceived barriers to including global health education in the pharmacy curriculum are examined from current students' perspectives. An internet-based survey was developed and distributed via e-mail to all current Pharm.D. students at the University of California, San Francisco. The survey questionnaire addressed previous international experience both before and during pharmacy school. The level of interest in including global health education as a component of the core curriculum and or as an APPE was also addressed. Questions on future career plans that included global health or perceived barriers were included. Descriptive statistics were used to analyze the data. Preliminary data of 79 respondents show that 18 (23%) had volunteered or worked overseas before compared to 5 (7%) during pharmacy school. The greatest barrier reported as a student was financial (78%). Thirty-six (46%) reported extreme interest in an APPE abroad for academic credit. Fifty (64%) reported wanting to include global health in their career paths with 46% of those making it less than one-fourth of their career. Of those that reported not wanting to include global health in their career, 67% reported being unsure of career options available. Further results will be discussed.