

**Letter of Intent to Explore Collaborative Opportunities
for Expanding the Role of Pharmacists and Pharmacies in Vietnam**

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Hue Faculty of Pharmacy, School of Medicine and Pharmacy
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Thai Nguyen Medical University, School of Medicine and Pharmacy
Tay Nguyen University
The United States Pharmacopeia
UCSF Global Health Sciences
University of California, San Francisco School of Pharmacy**

This Letter of Intent is made and entered into among the above Parties.

Recital:

The parties recognize the significant role of pharmaceutical care in improving patient outcomes and public health in Vietnam.

As a result, the Parties to this Letter of Intent agree to work together to expand the scope of pharmacy practice in Vietnam.

Under the directives of the participating institutions, representatives of the Parties will sign this Letter of Intent to enter a formal friendship and working relationship

The Parties will work together to make possible their joint activities in pharmaceutical research, teaching, service and training, and explore the feasibility of a professional exchange program.

After signing this Letter of Intent, the Parties will together decide on how best to further define and develop the specific joint activities outlined below.

All future activities are subject to specific affiliation agreements that define terms and obligations.

The Parties will engage, as appropriate, other colleagues and resources within their institutions to help coordinate and facilitate the objectives set forth in this Letter of Intent. Such activities might include, but are not limited to the following:

Scientific and Professional Exchange: Sharing of faculty, expertise, skills, knowledge, data, materials and technologies within applicable laws and policies of each institution, including intellectual property policies

Training: Exchange programs to train students, fellows and faculty from health sciences institutions in Vietnam, and from UCSF School of Pharmacy and USP

Pharmaceutical Care Service: Focused service programs and projects in the areas of drug information, collaborative care, and other aspects of clinical pharmacy practice and education

Curriculum Development: Advice from the UCSF School of Pharmacy and USP on pharmacy curriculum development in Vietnam, including sharing curriculum materials

Joint Research Activities: Joint research subject to the funding and other resources required for such activities, and subject to applicable laws, regulations and institutional policies. Funding to support such research may be pursued jointly

Program Development: Advice and training from the UCSF School of Pharmacy on how to develop successful funding strategies for future projects of mutual interest to the Parties

Multiple copies of this Letter of Intent may be executed, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Letter.

In witness whereof, the undersigned, being duly authorized, have executed this agreement, effective as of November 12, 2005 in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

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