UPSHER-SMITH HONORS 45 INNOVATIVE PHARMACISTS FROM ACROSS THE NATION
Company Recognizes 2014 Winners of the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations’ Excellence in Innovation Award

Maple Grove, MN – February 24, 2015 – Upsher-Smith Laboratories, Inc. (Upsher-Smith), is pleased to honor the 2014 recipients of the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations’ (NASPA) Excellence in Innovation Award. Forty-five pharmacists in 44 states were recognized for their efforts. The award is coordinated annually by NASPA and sponsored by Upsher-Smith.

The Excellence in Innovation Award recognizes qualified pharmacists who have demonstrated significant innovation in their practice, method, or service directly or indirectly resulting in improved patient care and/or advancement of the profession of pharmacy. The award is presented by participating state pharmacist associations.

“Upsher-Smith is proud to join NASPA in honoring 45 pharmacists across the nation who are bringing the cutting edge of pharmaceutical practice to their patients,” said Mark Evenstad, President and Chief Executive Officer of Upsher-Smith. “Upsher-Smith has a long history of supporting pharmacists and understands the critical role they play in patient health and well-being. We are honored to recognize the outstanding achievements of the 2014 NASPA awardees.”

2014 recipients include:

- Alabama: Kimberly Braxton Lloyd, PharmD
- Alaska: LCDR Thaddus Wilkerson, PharmD
- Arizona: Nicole Murdock, PharmD
- Arizona: Laura Vay Tsu, PharmD
- Arkansas: Marcus Costner, PharmD
- California: Charles W. Leiter, PharmD
- Colorado: Kevin Kaucher, PharmD
- Connecticut: Nick Tamborrino, PharmD
- Delaware: Kristin Ball Motley, PharmD
- Florida: Heather C. Hardin, PharmD
- Georgia: John “Jake” Galdo, PharmD
- Hawaii: Derek Tengan, PharmD

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Illinois: Jennifer L. Rosselli, PharmD
Indiana: Gregory Russell, RPh
Iowa: Thane Kading, PharmD
Kansas: Amanda Applegate, PharmD
Kentucky: Brooke Hudspeth, PharmD
Louisiana: David A. Darce, RPh
Maine: Lisa Darling, PharmD
Maryland: Hoai-An Truong, PharmD
Massachusetts: Joanne Doyle Petrongolo, PharmD
Michigan: Michael E. Klepser, PharmD
Minnesota: Julie Gambaiani, PharmD
Mississippi: Lauren S. Bloodworth, PharmD
Missouri: Erica Pearce, PharmD
Montana: Rory Johnson, PharmD
New Hampshire: Margaret P. Kerns, RPh
New Jersey: James P. Cammarata, RPh
New York: Paul Faerstein, PharmD
North Carolina: Ouita Davis Gatton, RPh
North Dakota: Joan Slusser, PharmD
Ohio: Stuart J. Beatty, PharmD
Oklahoma: Ernie Sykora, DPh
Oregon: Nicole Schrankel, PharmD
Pennsylvania: Juliana Nowak, RPh
Puerto Rico: Marisol Lopez-Nieves, RPh
Rhode Island: Sarah M. Thompson, PharmD
South Carolina: John Elliot Turner, PharmD
Tennessee: Randy K. Jerkins, PharmD
Texas: Nario R. Cantu, RPh
Virginia: Kerri T. Musselman, PharmD
Washington: Elyse L. Tung, PharmD
West Virginia: Dani Dolin, PharmD
Wisconsin: Mary S. Hayney, PharmD
Wyoming: Bruce McGirr, RPh

"We deeply appreciate Upsher-Smith's support of the Excellence in Innovation Award," said Rebecca Snead, Executive Vice President of NASPA. "This award honors some of the nation’s most innovative pharmacists, who are advancing the profession and improving the lives of patients every day. We are proud to stand with Upsher-Smith in honoring their contributions to the field and to the health of America’s patients."

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About Upsher-Smith

Upsher-Smith Laboratories, Inc., founded in 1919, is a growing pharmaceutical company dedicated to its mission of Advancing Pharmacotherapy. Improving Life™. With capabilities ranging from early-stage research to delivering on-market products, Upsher-Smith is committed to offering quality products that enable people to live life to its greatest potential. Upsher-Smith's approach to product development and partnering has resulted in a broad range of both branded and generic therapeutic solutions to address patients' needs. The Company has a particular focus on developing therapies for people living with central nervous system (CNS) conditions, such as seizure disorders, and has a robust pipeline of promising CNS compounds in various stages of development. For more information, visit www.upsher-smith.com.

About the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations

The National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations (NASPA) promotes leadership, sharing, learning, and policy exchange among pharmacy leaders in all 50 states and Washington, DC, and provides education and advocacy to support pharmacists, patients, and communities working together to improve public health. NASPA was founded in 1927 as the National Council of State Pharmacy Association Executives (NCSPAE). For more information, please visit the NASPA Web site www.naspa.us.

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