

Ref. No. 10-1/2007-PCI (A)

- 1. Public Notice to be displayed on PCI website**
- 2. Presidents / Registrars of all the State Pharmacy Councils**
- 3. All the Pharmacy Institutions (Diploma / Degree / Pharm.D)**
 - **approved for conduct of course**
 - **approved u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948**
- 4. All Examining Authorities**
- 5. All Pharmacy Associations**

Sub: DECLARATION OF PHARMACISTS DAY

Sir / Madam

Celebrating the Pharmacist Day on 25th September

PCI is pleased to announce the official observing of “**Pharmacists Day**” 25th September and taking place w.e.f 25th September, 2013 to be celebrated every year on this day.

Pharmacists represent the 3rd largest healthcare professional group in the world and in India today there are around 10 lakh registered pharmacists working in various positions, applying their unique knowledge and skills, contributing to the health of the nation. Since many pharmacists work silently behind the scenes, there arises the need to recognize and reward their substantial contribution to the society. Hence the PCI has decided to celebrate “Pharmacists Day” in order to make the public and health care professionals aware that pharmacists are important members of the health care team, and there is a need to make the best use of their services in order to improve patient’s quality of life.

PCI encourages all State Pharmacy Councils, Pharmacy Institutions, Pharmacy professional organizations and all Pharmacy professionals to plan and implement activities that promote and advocate for the role of the pharmacist in improving health in every corner of India. Promotional campaigns connecting to media and most notably interaction with patients and the public are key ways in which we can make the best use of “Pharmacists Day” for benefit to both the profession and the society.

Pharmacist Day is about recognizing the important role of the pharmacists. If you are visiting a pharmacy on the day or meeting a pharmacist make sure that you wish your pharmacist a very happy Pharmacist Day.

Pharmacist Day is all about honoring our pharmacist friends, all those men and women, who are an integral part of the medical care. The day is about saying them “Thank You,” the words that they don’t get to hear too often. Let’s take the day as the perfect occasion for thanking them for being in the front lines of pharmacy, and having lots of patience and compassion. Let’s thank them for being committed and dealing with love and sympathy to rude patients, reading the doctors handwriting and for smiling always, in spite of working that extra hour.

Pharmacist Day is about celebrating the coming of age of Pharmacy profession in India.

Pharmacist Day will be a platform for communication between pharmacists from different sectors and different backgrounds and have professional inputs in the field of pharmacy.

Ideas for Pharmacist Day.

Some activities that can be undertaken are –

1. For your patients : Carrying out Screening / Testing of some common disorders in patients and also review their medication and give them necessary counselling on safe use of medicines.
2. To your pharmacist: The most loving gift that you can gift your pharmacist is a big ‘thanks’. You can also give him/her a pharmacist themed gift to bring a smile on his/her face.
3. To your fellow pharmacist : If you are a pharmacist or a pharmacy manager, you should organize an event to honor your fellow pharmacists who are hard-working and invaluable to the society. You can organize something like a luncheon, tea, etc and give out some tokens as recognition for their hard work, like gift certificates, name tag holders, mugs etc.
4. Pharmacy professional organizations and institutions: Arrange an education and cross-training program for them where they will exchange their experiences as a pharmacist. Give out a certificate of appreciation from the pharmacy organisation / institution to the pharmacists.
5. If you are a student , fellow health professional : Take a picture of all the pharmacist staffs, pin it on the bulletin board, and write an inspiring message to them.

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The Pharmacy council of India will be celebrating the ' Pharmacist Day' on 25th September, 2013. You are also requested to celebrate the 'Pharmacists Day, on 25th September every year by organising above activities which will go a long way in boosting the morale of the registered pharmacists / student pharmacists and in recognition of pharmacy profession in the society.

Yours faithfully

(ARCHNA MUDGAL)
Registrar cum Secretary

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All the PCI members

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Ref: Our letter No. 10-1/2007-PCI(A)/21853-23908 dt. 30.8.2013

Sir / Madam

This is in continuation to Council's letter dt 30.8.2013 requesting to celebrate the Pharmacists Day on 25.9.2013.

In this connection, it is requested that a brief report on the celebrations of the Pharmacists Day be submitted to the PCI for record.

Yours faithfully

(ARCHNA MUDGAL)
Registrar-cum-Secretary