

# The USPHS-Rx for Change: Ambassador Program

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## BACKGROUND

The United States Public Health Service (USPHS)-Rx for Change (RxfC): Tobacco Cessation Training Program (TCTP) is a free, online program that trains individuals on how to make effective tobacco product cessation interventions.



## GOAL

Have at least one Student National Pharmaceutical Association (SNPhA) member\* from each university serve as a USPHS-RxfC Ambassador in order to increase tobacco users' access to care and decrease tobacco product use.



## PURPOSE

To equip students, future health professionals, and the public to provide awareness, education, and resource options to the surrounding community and tobacco users in order to promote tobacco cessation nationally.



## RECOGNITION

USPHS-RxfC Ambassadors will have the opportunity to be acknowledged for their work and accomplishments by the USPHS committee and workgroup associated with this initiative.

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## ELIGIBILITY & REQUIREMENTS

### ELIGIBILITY:

1. Current SNPhA Chapter PTES Chair or Member\*
2. In good academic standing (GPA  $\geq$  2.8)

### REQUIREMENTS:

1. Complete qualifying training (see "Steps to Become an Ambassador" on Page 2)
2. Train local SNPhA chapter in USPHS-RxfC: Tobacco Cessation Training Program
3. Hold at least two (2) events per academic year with submission of appropriate documentation

*\*Program is open to all pharmacy students. However, students are encouraged to charter a SNPhA chapter at their respective school if one does not exist.*

*For more information on the training program, [click here](#).*

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## STEPS TO BECOME AN AMBASSADOR

1. Complete the following steps via this [link](#).
2. **Behavioral Counseling & Pharmacotherapy (Five A's) Course**
  - Complete all modules
  - Email a screenshot of successful course completion to [rxfcambassador@gmail.com](mailto:rxfcambassador@gmail.com) with the Subject: Student Ambassador Part
  - Skills Demonstration: an Evaluator will contact you to schedule a time for you to complete the skills demonstration via Skype or FaceTime

\*\*Complete and submit the following in order to receive a Certificate of Completion for the USPHS-Rxfor Change: Tobacco Cessation Training Program: [Tobacco Free Pledge](#) and [Program Survey](#)

### 3. Train-the-Trainer Course

- Complete all modules
- Email a screenshot of successful course completion to [rxfcambassador@gmail.com](mailto:rxfcambassador@gmail.com) with Subject: Student Ambassador Part 2

### 4. Send a copy of your current unofficial transcript to [rxfcambassador@gmail.com](mailto:rxfcambassador@gmail.com) to verify you are in good academic standing

**\*\*\*Max of three (3) ambassadors per school\*\*\***



## DOCUMENTATION & REPORTING

1. Work with a USPHS-Rxfor Change Liaison (e.g., Ambassador Program Coordinator (APC), USPHS University Point of Contact (UPOC), and/or Commissioned Officer Association (COA) Liaison) to organize an event (*see Page 3 for event options*). All events, except policy, will require the physical presence of at least one pharmacist who has been trained through a tobacco cessation program (*proof of training required*).
2. For training events, complete and submit the **Financial Disclosure/Request Form** to the [Training Resources Committee](#) 30 days prior to the event. Must wait for approval, which will be received within seven (7) business days if all requirements are met, before proceeding with event. Training program materials will be provided. Please copy your respective USPHS-Rxfor Change Liaison for awareness, if you have one assigned to your school.
3. For training events, a sign-in sheet and all exams or online certificates and skills demonstration checklists must be submitted to [rxfcambassador@gmail.com](mailto:rxfcambassador@gmail.com) within seven (7) days of event completion. Please copy your respective USPHS-Rxfor Change Liaison for awareness, if you have one. *Please note: the Tobacco Free Pledge and Feedback surveys will be sent by the APC once the Event Reporting Form is received.*
4. For ALL events, complete and submit the **Event Reporting Form** to National PTES Chair within 7 days after the event.
5. The National PTES Chair will compile all Ambassador Event Reporting Forms into the **PTES Reporting Form**. This form should be sent to the Ambassador Program Coordinator quarterly (October 15th, January 15th, March 15th, and July 15th).

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## T TRAINING

Train your local SNPhA chapter, other health professional students, and the public using the USPHS-RfC: Tobacco Cessation Training Program. The **Request Form** must be completed 30 days prior to scheduled presentation. The initial training must be the Five A's course.



## C CLINIC

Work with faculty or local pharmacist to establish a tobacco cessation clinic and/or serve as a volunteer in the clinic or a previously established tobacco cessation clinic. APC must be notified 7 days prior via [rxfcambassador@gmail.com](mailto:rxfcambassador@gmail.com).

**Ambassador Program Point of Contact:** LCDR Gayle Tuckett OR SNPhA National Power To End Stroke Chair



## H HEALTH FAIRS

Set up a tobacco cessation educational booth at a local or chapter organized community health fair, especially during the annual Great American Smoke Out. Educate the public and assist tobacco users in setting quit dates. APC must be notified 7 days prior via [rxfcambassador@gmail.com](mailto:rxfcambassador@gmail.com).



## P POLICY

Make your stamp on the future of tobacco use by impacting policy. Write your local, state, and national government officials regarding current tobacco laws and regulations. APC must be notified 7 days prior via [rxfcambassador@gmail.com](mailto:rxfcambassador@gmail.com).