IHS Junior and Senior Pharmacists of the Year were recognized at the Southwest Regional Pharmacy Continuing Education Seminar (the “Quad”) in Scottsdale, AZ in June.
  o Senior Pharmacist of the Year – CAPT Cindy Smith, Gallup, NM
  o Junior Pharmacist of the Year – LCDR Tim Murray, Claremore, OK

CAPT Chris Watson, IHS Principal Pharmacy Consultant, has started a monthly newsletter series “On Point” which is distributed via the IHS Pharmacy Intranet website. Recent topics include an introduction, mission and vision, workload, and pharmacy leadership.

The National Pharmacy Council recently underwent several membership changes. Especially important were several vacant positions that have now been filled by mostly junior pharmacists across IHS.
  o Additionally, the Chair of the National Pharmacy Council has changed. Special thanks to the outgoing Chair, CAPT Cindy Smith for her service. New NPC Chair is CDR Bradley Bishop

At the recent NPC conference call, priorities were set for the coming year:
  o NPC Charter Update
  o Update of IHS Pharmacy Manual
  o DEA/Controlled substance issues
  o Electronic Health Record
  o Central fill of prescriptions
  o Point-of-Sale billing