# Unite for Impact: A National Collaborative Challenge

### **Unite for Impact General Overview**

We invite colleges and schools of pharmacy nationwide to participate in the <u>Unite for Impact: A National Collaborative</u> <u>Challenge</u>, a national initiative not only to tell stories, but to create them. AACP is calling on pharmacy academia, including faculty, administrators, students, and staff, to collaborate with external partners and take bold ACT-ion together to advance community pharmacy practice while showcasing its critical value to the public.

The purpose of this Challenge is to generate fresh, tangible contributions to the field. This challenge aims to showcase creative strategies and tangible outcomes led by a team of faculty, practitioners, learners, and their partners launching new projects, campaigns, or partnerships that drives measurable change through advocacy, practice transformation, and/or public engagement.

The Challenge will run from October 31, 2025, through April 6, 2026, with the following submission categories: culture, practice, and advocacy. All participating colleges/schools will be recognized through AACP's Multimedia library and receive a certificate for participating. Submitting teams of the top categories will receive recognition from AACP and partner organizations (NASPA, NCPA, ASHP, and APhA). Category winners will also be invited to submit a poster or podium presentation at the 2026 AACP Annual Meeting. Grand prize winners will have a featured presentation at the 2026 AACP Annual Meeting, a dedicated multimedia package, publication support to develop a manuscript or white paper and an invitation to a policy roundtable with other national partners. Collected submissions will be reviewed by the AACP staff.

#### **Eligible Teams**

Each team must include at least: 2 faculty members (one must attend the 2025 AACP Advancing Community Pharmacy Institute), 1 practicing community pharmacist (not a full-time faculty member), 2 trainees (student pharmacist, resident, fellow, or graduate student), and 1 external partner. We encourage teams to include multiple partners and perspectives.

## **Timeline & Key Steps**

To participate, colleges/schools of pharmacy must follow the steps below.

- **Step 1** Form Your Team and Select Your Submission Category
- Step 2 Register Your Team
- **Step 3** Develop and Implement Your Project
- Optional Challenge Check-In (February 2026)
- **Step 4** Prepare Your Submission Package
  - Description of New Collaboration (max 1,500 words)
  - Outcomes (patients reached, outcomes achieved, partnerships built, etc.).
  - Optional but encouraged: A short video (3 min max) presentation or visuals highlighting the project.
  - Impact Statement (max 250 words)
  - Supporting Appendices (max 5 pages): data tables, workflows, media, partner letters, etc.
- **Step 5** Submit Final Package by April 6, 2026
- Step 6 Review & Recognition (April July 2026)

For questions, please reach out to aacpcenter@aacp.org.

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