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Benjamin Holland Receives
NPhA York Garrett Award

Chicago, IL – Mr. Benjamin Holland was awarded the National Pharmaceutical Association (NPhA) York Garrett Award at the 62nd NPhA Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting was held in Chicago, IL, July 17th – July 20th, 2009, at the Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile.

The NPhA York Garrett Award was established to honor the longtime member and Past President of the National Pharmaceutical Association. The York Garrett Award recognizes contributions to community pharmacy as an owner or manager and significant improvements in the provision of pharmaceutical care while a member of NPhA.

Currently Mr. Holland is the Owner of Relia-Med Distributors. Mr. Holland earned his bachelor's degree in pharmacy from Howard University in 1953. In 1971 he obtained a masters degree in health administration from Washington University.

Mr. Holland has served on various boards of many organizations, is a deacon with The Good Shepherd Baptist Church in Columbus, Ohio, and is a lifetime member of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Alpha Rho Lambda Chapter. In 2002, he had the distinction of being named Man of the Year by his church and in 2008 the community room in the church was named for him. In 2003 he was presented with recognition for 50 years as a practicing pharmacist from the Howard University Pharmacy Alumni Association during the NPhA convention. In 2007 both he and his wife received the John M. Cassady Diversity Enhancement Award from The Ohio State University College of Pharmacy. They both serve on the dean's diversity committee.

The National Pharmaceutical Association, founded in 1947, is the oldest and largest professional society representing the views and ideals of minority pharmacists on critical issues affecting health care and pharmacy. NPhA is a leader in the pharmaceutical care arena that addresses socio-economic issues affecting the individual patient and advances the standards of care in all practice settings.

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