

**MEDICATION PATHFINDER SELECTED  
BY DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY  
TO PROVIDE MTM SERVICES**

**IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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Medication Pathfinder™ has been selected by Duquesne University's Mylan School of Pharmacy to support medication therapy management (MTM) efforts being conducted in a unique physician-pharmacist partnership program.

The program, initiated in the spring of 2007, provides MTM counseling to chronic disease patients from a family physician practice in downtown Pittsburg, PA. Staffing the MTM initiative are two Duquesne faculty members and accompanying experiential pharmacy students.

"Managing the clinical intervention process is an important factor to the success of the project and Medication Pathfinder™ fulfills this need very well," explained Hildegard J. Berdine, Pharm.D., BCPS, Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice at Duquesne. The Duquesne MTM counseling teams use Medication Pathfinder™ to load the patient data they have collected into the web-based software, perform the clinical analysis of the drug regimen, and create individualized recommendations that are shared with both the patients and the physicians.

"Follow-up appointments are used to assess changes in medication adherence, clinical parameters and behavioral factors that we can track through the software," Berdine said. "We also are able to collect and report on the data we've compiled."

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James Notaro, RPh., Ph.D., president of Clinical Support Services, Inc., the company that developed the Medication Pathfinder™ process, said that the Duquesne initiative is an important project to demonstrate how MTM can be utilized in non-traditional settings with the support of a robust, web-based product.

“Prior to our effort, very little information was available on the effectiveness of having pharmacists work within a physician office setting to improve patient outcomes in chronic care situations,” Berdine said. “The early success of this project shows that there is a tremendous opportunity for pharmacists to enhance patient care in this unique setting.”

The program findings were recently presented by Berdine, Monica L. Skomo, Pharm.D. and Pharm.D. Candidate Michele Miller at the annual meeting of The American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP) in Denver, CO.

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