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## AHRMM Membership Elects 2015 Board Members

**CHICAGO**, September 9, 2014 — The Association for Healthcare Resource & Materials Management (AHRMM) has announced that Mary Beth Lang, R.Ph., MPM, D.Sc., vice president, HC Pharmacy and SCM Commercial Services, UPMC, based in Pittsburg, will be chair-elect of the 2015 Board of Directors. With record participation, the AHRMM membership also elected four new board members to begin their term in 2015: healthcare provider representatives Deborah Rey, CMRP, and Robert Taylor, CMRP, MBA; non-provider representative Mike Duke; and military representative LTC, US Army, Paul Davis, CMRP.

**Mary Beth Lang** brings a diverse background to the chair-elect position as a practicing pharmacist and pharmacy supply chain leader at UPMC, a 22-hospital integrated delivery network. In addition to experiencing firsthand provider challenges across the entire continuum of care, Lang has spent more than a decade in the group purchasing field working closely with providers, suppliers and service companies. She has been a leader in many healthcare field activities including GS1 healthcare standards adoption efforts and has served on the GS1US Healthcare Leadership Committee. Lang has been an AHRMM member for seven years and is currently the AHRMM Education Committee Chair.

Healthcare provider representatives **Deborah Rey** and **Robert Taylor** join the five current provider representatives, who advocate for AHRMM members by conveying provider issues to the AHRMM board and carry out AHRMM's mission. Rey, senior contract manager at Christiana Care Health System, Newark, Del., brings more than 25 years of experience in the healthcare supply chain field and 11 years of AHRMM membership experience to the board. Taylor, AVP of supply chain at UAB Health System, Birmingham, Ala., brings 26 years of experience in the healthcare supply chain field and also brings 11 years of AHRMM membership experience to the board.

As non-provider representative, **Mike Duke**, senior director of National Supply Chain Management Networks for VHA, Irving, Texas, joins one current non-provider representative to advocate non-provider issues and carry out AHRMM's mission. Duke brings 40 years of experience in the healthcare supply chain field and nine years of AHRMM membership experience to the board.

Military representative **Paul Davis**, director of strategic transformation for the U.S. Army Medical Research & Materiel Command, Frederick, Md., is responsible for advocating for military issues to the board as well as carrying out AHRMM's mission. Davis brings more than 28 years of experience in the healthcare supply chain field and eight years of AHRMM membership experience to the board.

"On behalf of AHRMM, I am honored to welcome these newly elected board members. The years of service to the healthcare supply chain field and to AHRMM as an organization will bring new innovations and ideas to the board and help AHRMM support its mission of advancing healthcare through supply chain excellence," said AHRMM Board Chair Christopher O'Connor. "The AHRMM board of director elections is imperative to AHRMM's success and is a time for member's to share their voice, by selecting representatives who will determine AHRMM's strategic direction."

The new board representatives will begin their three year term on January 1, 2015. AHRMM elections are held each year via the association's website. AHRMM posts each candidate's biographical information and platform so every member can make an informed decision when voting.

### About AHRMM

The Association for Healthcare Resource & Materials Management is the leading national association for

executives in the healthcare resource and materials management profession. A professional membership group of the American Hospital Association, AHRMM serves more than 4,300 active members. Founded in 1951, AHRMM prepares its members to contribute to the field and advance the profession through networking, education, recognition, and advocacy. For more information, visit [www.ahrmm.org](http://www.ahrmm.org).

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