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HOPA Joins Other Pharmacy Associations to Offer Condolences to Families of Pharmacist and Two Others Killed in Maryland

The leaders and members of the undersigned pharmacy organizations extend our deepest condolences to the families of Brian and Kelly Robinette, of Ellicott City, Md., and Rebecca Reynolds of Cumberland, Md. Police say Mr. Robinette, a community pharmacist, was killed by a sibling who was upset that Mr. Robinette was administering COVID-19 vaccines.

As the first line of care for millions of Americans, pharmacists have been under incredible pressure since the start of the pandemic. In an extremely polarized environment, they have heroically stepped forward to provide vital services – COVID testing and vaccinations, regular immunizations, complex and chronic disease care, and much more. All of these efforts are important collaborative roles that pharmacists play as vital members of health care teams focused on protecting the public health of individuals and communities. As we begin American Pharmacists Month, we remind our fellow citizens that in this challenging time of uncertainty and fear, pharmacists have gone above and beyond the call of duty. We stand by them all.

Supporting Organizations

Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy
Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education
American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy
American College of Apothecaries
American College of Clinical Pharmacy
American Pharmacists Association
American Society of Consultant Pharmacists
American Society of Health-System Pharmacists
College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists

Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association
Maryland Pharmacists Association
National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations
National Association of Boards of Pharmacy
National Community Pharmacists Association
National Pharmaceutical Association
Society of Infectious Diseases Pharmacists
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