

The Bottom Line

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I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving. . . .

— Oliver Wendell Holmes

I feel very privileged to be completing the term of office for the CSHP Director of Finance. My predecessor has left some very large shoes to fill, but I will endeavour to make as meaningful a contribution to our Society.

As I reviewed many task force, committee, and branch reports in preparation for the August AGM and for my transition into this role, I was filled with a renewed sense of hope and inspiration. The scope and quality of activity undertaken by our members evoke a sense of pride and confidence in the future of hospital pharmacy practice.

One of the factors that facilitated my decision to accept this important role was that, as a hospital pharmacist for 23 years, I have long been a benefactor of the leadership provided by CSHP. Whether in developing policies, lobbying the government, recruiting and orienting new pharmacists, or preparing a business case, I have used the publications; Standards of Practice; and the many products, services, and extensive expertise of our Society. It is a privilege to have the opportunity to contribute to an organization that has supported my practice.

Vision 2006 clearly defines our path for the next 3 years:

A revitalized Society

The influential voice for hospital pharmacy

Inspiring and supporting our members

As I reflect upon this vision, as well as on the continuous pharmacy improvement Régis Vaillancourt discussed in the September 2003 issue of *CJHP*,¹ I am confident that we as a Society are positioned to successfully enhance patient care and to achieve Vision 2006.



I look forward to working with each of you to optimize the benefits of CSHP membership, to enhance our operational effectiveness, and to continue to ensure the financial viability of our great Society.

Oh, yes, the bottom line . . . In keeping with the stated value of accountability to members, look for regular reports that will outline our financial position in CSHP's *EOB*.

Much has been achieved and the direction in which we are moving is an exciting one, filled with promise.

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