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## **A message from the Senior Vice President for Health Sciences**

**Nov. 3, 2015**

I am very pleased to announce the appointment of John E. Murphy, PharmD, as Interim Dean of the College of Pharmacy effective immediately. For more than 24 years, Dr. Murphy has served the College as Professor of Pharmacy Practice and Science, Department Head, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Assessment, and as a member of numerous University of Arizona Health Sciences and University-wide committees.

We are fortunate to have such an accomplished academician and highly talented administrator available to serve as Interim Dean of the College. As a member of the College of Pharmacy Executive Committee, Dr. Murphy has a firm grasp of the day-to-day operations of the College and a detailed understanding of on-going programmatic initiatives and strategic opportunities. The continuity that Dr. Murphy's leadership will provide is important as we look forward to expansion of the Phoenix program, the October 2016 site visit from the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the activation of national searches for the Head of the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology and Director of the Center for Toxicology.



John E. Murphy,  
PharmD, FASHP,  
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I am grateful to Dr. Murphy for accepting this interim appointment and look forward to supporting him and the rest of the leadership team in continuing with plans for furthering the growth and positive development of the College. Please join me in appreciation and support of Dr. Murphy as he assumes this important role.

Sincerely,

Joe G.N. "Skip" Garcia, MD  
Senior Vice President for Health Sciences  
Dr. Merlin Duval Professor of Medicine

### **About Dr. Murphy**

John E. Murphy, PharmD, FASHP, FCCP, received BS in pharmacy and PharmD degrees from the University of Florida in Gainesville, where he was a recipient of the Distinguished Pharmacy Alumnus Award in 1998. Dr. Murphy is also an Honorary Professor at the University of Otago School of

Pharmacy in Dunedin, New Zealand. He is past president of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (2008-2009) and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (1997-1998). Dr. Murphy has published over 200 papers, 100 abstracts, and five editions of Clinical Pharmacokinetics, the Resident Survival Guide and Basic & Applied Pharmacokinetics Self Assessment. A frequent speaker at international, national, and statewide pharmacy education meetings, in 2014 Dr. Murphy received the Robert K. Chalmers Distinguished Pharmacy Educator Award from American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy.



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