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NAPSA's Inaugural Charity Cup 2009

The National Australian Pharmacy Students' Association is proud to announce that the inaugural NAPSA Charity Cup will be supporting The Fred Hollows Foundation's Indigenous Programs, as its first beneficiary.

An initiative of the Pharmacy Awareness Committee, the Charity Cup is to be an annual campaign. Each of the 14 NAPSA Branches are encouraged to hold an event or events in the month of April to raise funds and awareness for the elected national charity. Students are encouraged to be creative in their fundraising endeavours.

NAPSA Branches across all States and Territories will be united through the common support of The Fred Hollows Foundation - a truly Australian charity. NAPSA Pharmacy Awareness Committee Chair, Amy Minett said, "The NAPSA Charity Cup aims to be a fun activity for all pharmacy students, promoting social interaction and raising awareness of the health needs of disadvantaged Australians. It is fantastic that our students can support such a worthy cause, and simultaneously create awareness of Indigenous issues within both their university environments and the general public."

The NAPSA Charity Cup Award will recognise the efforts of the NAPSA branch that raises the most money. The NAPSA Charity Innovation Award will be presented to the branch displaying the most originality, enthusiasm and passion for the cause in their fundraising activities.

The NAPSA Charity Cup was launched at NAPSA Congress 2009 in Perth. The Charity Cup and Charity Innovation Awards will be presented at future NAPSA Congresses. A formal presentation of the money raised to a representative of The Fred Hollows Foundation will be a highlight of this year's NAPSA AGM Dinner in July.

NAPSA President, Lisa Goldsmith said "NAPSA hopes to raise as much as possible to assist The Fred Hollows Foundation to continue its work in the important area of Indigenous healthcare in regional and rural Australia."

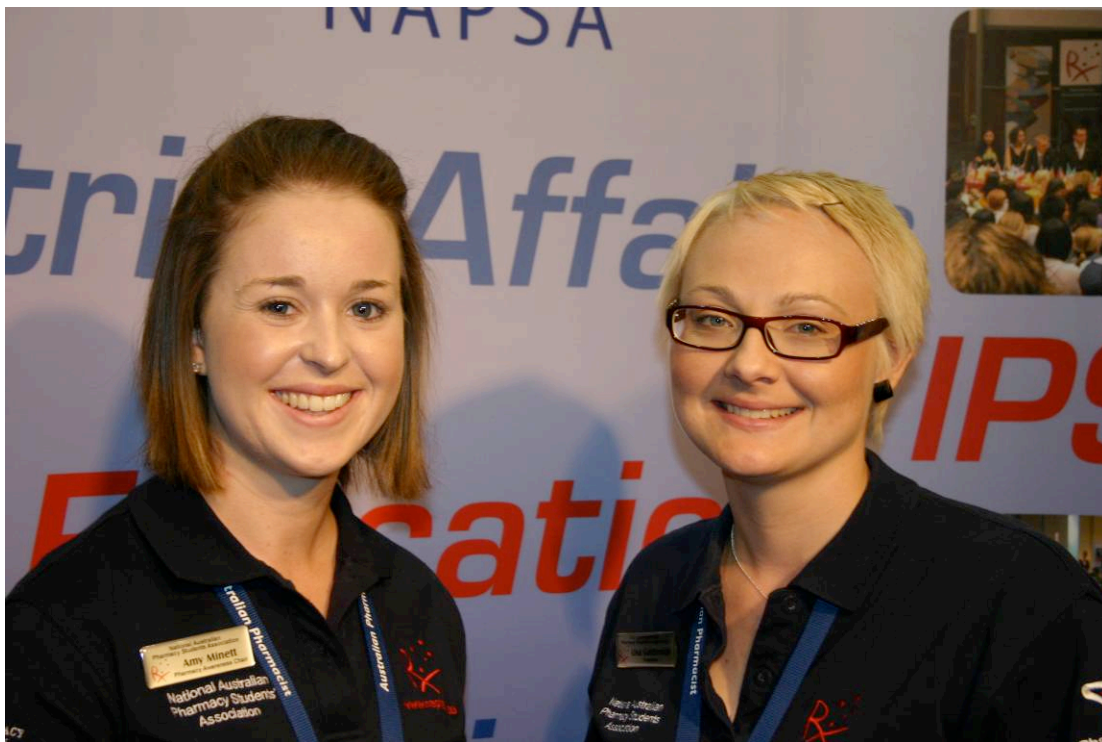
NAPSA is proud to be contributing vital funds to support The Foundation's unique and valuable work in 'closing the gap' between the health outcomes of Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.



For more information regarding the NAPSA Charity Cup 2009 or to make a donation, please contact:

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