



### **Biography for Mark Riley, Executive Vice President**

Mark Riley, Pharm.D., currently serves as Executive Vice President of the Arkansas Pharmacists Association (APA). In this role he is the chief spokesman and advocate for pharmacy in Arkansas, representing pharmacy practice to the State Board of Pharmacy, state legislators, Arkansas Medicaid, other state government agencies, as well as consumers and private businesses.

Dr. Riley is a nationally renowned expert on Pharmacy Benefit Managers\* (PBMs) and is Chairman of the Board of the National Community Pharmacists Association, (NCPA®), based in Alexandria, Virginia, which represents the interests of America's community pharmacists, including the owners of more than 23,000 independent community pharmacies, pharmacy franchises, and chains.

Dr. Riley joined APA as Executive Vice President in 2003. He has owned East End Pharmacy in Little Rock since 1983 and served as pharmacist-in-charge until 2003. From 1971 to 1983 he served as manager/pharmacist at Landmark Pharmacy, both in Little Rock.

Dr. Riley's professional affiliations include: member of various steering and standing committees and Board member of NCPA since 1979; faculty preceptor and guest lecturer, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) College of Pharmacy; member, Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy 1999-2003; and member of the Dean's Council, UAMS. Dr. Riley served on the Board of Directors and was President of APA in 1984-1985. He was awarded APA "Pharmacist of the Year" in 1988.

In October 2011, the Harding University College of Pharmacy honored Dr. Riley by renaming its NCPA student chapter the Dr. Mark S. Riley Chapter. Dr. Riley was the recipient of the Charles M. West Freedom Award from NCPA in 2004; Phi Lambda Sigma Inductee in 2004, RhoChi Inductee in 2003, and Preceptor of the Year in 1990 at UAMS College of Pharmacy; and recipient of the 1984 Leadership Award, National Association of Retail Drugstores.

He is currently a participant in health and career education at local schools and served as president, baseball commissioner and on the Board of Commissioners for the East End Community Association.

Dr. Riley and his wife Brenda have two sons, Clay and Chad. Dr. Clay Riley is an orthopedic surgeon in Galveston, Texas; his wife Lana is a pharmacist. Dr. Chad Riley is staff pharmacist at East End Pharmacy and his wife Stacy is a pharmacist at Cornerstone Pharmacy in Little Rock.

\*PBMs- A Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM) is a third party administrator of prescription drug programs. They are primarily responsible for processing and paying prescription drug claims. They also are responsible for developing and maintaining the formulary, contracting with pharmacies, and negotiating discounts and rebates with drug manufacturers.

*The Arkansas Pharmacists Association, founded in 1882, is the statewide professional association representing approximately 2,200 pharmacists in Arkansas. APA strives to further the professional advancement of pharmacists, advocate the value of pharmacy, and safeguard the health and well-being of every Arkansan. Its mission is to advance a professional and business environment for Arkansas pharmacists to be successful and fulfilled in serving patients.*

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