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**CareFusion Foundation Funds a Safe Medication  
Management Fellowship at ISMP**

**Horsham, Pa---**The Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) today announced that the [CareFusion Foundation](#) is helping to create more medication safety leaders by providing multi-year funding for one of ISMP's two full-time fellowships.

The ISMP fellowship program gives healthcare practitioners the skills and knowledge to become frontline advocates in the fight to prevent medication errors. Fellowships are unique year-long programs that educate healthcare practitioners in effective risk reduction. Fellows are based in ISMP's office near Philadelphia and have an unparalleled opportunity to learn from and work with some of the nation's top experts in medication safety.

Fellows develop and implement interdisciplinary error prevention strategies that focus on system analysis. They also collaborate with practitioners in every kind of healthcare setting on broad-based communication and education initiatives to reach clinicians and the general public with crucial information about the nature of medication errors, what must be done to keep them from happening, and how to manage errors that do occur.

CareFusion Foundation's support for the fellowship is being given in memory of late Chief Medical Officer Stephen R. Lewis, MD, who passed away in 2010. Dr. Lewis was board certified in internal medicine, and patient safety was his lifelong passion. CareFusion Foundation is honoring Dr. Lewis' memory and his boundless energy and enthusiasm by giving other practitioners the opportunity to focus their careers on protecting patients.

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“Dr. Lewis was a stellar example of how one dedicated practitioner can make a real impact on the lives of patients and their families through his promotion of safe medication use,” says Michael Cohen, RPh, MS, ScD, FASHP, president of ISMP. “We are honored that CareFusion Foundation has chosen to support an ISMP fellowship in his memory, and enable other emerging safety champions to follow in his footsteps.”

“The CareFusion Foundation strives to support organizations like ISMP dedicated to making sustainable improvements in the safety and quality of healthcare,” adds Jim Mazzola, president of the CareFusion Foundation. “Dr. Lewis dedicated a substantial portion of his professional life toward the reduction of medication errors, so it’s fitting to fund this prestigious fellowship in his honor.”

For more on ISMP’s Safe Medication Management Fellowships, sponsored in part by CareFusion Foundation, visit: [www.ismp.org/profdevelopment/managementfellowship](http://www.ismp.org/profdevelopment/managementfellowship). ISMP also offers a joint fellowship with the Food and Drug Administration ([www.ismp.org/profdevelopment/fdaismpfellowship](http://www.ismp.org/profdevelopment/fdaismpfellowship)).

**About ISMP:** The Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) is an independent, nonprofit charitable organization that works closely with healthcare practitioners and institutions, regulatory agencies, consumers, and professional organizations to provide education about medication errors and their prevention. ISMP represents more than 35 years of experience in helping healthcare practitioners keep patients safe, and continues to lead efforts to improve the medication use process. ISMP is a federally certified patient safety organization (PSO), providing healthcare practitioners and organizations with the highest level of legal protection and confidentiality for patient safety data and error reports they submit to the Institute. For more information on ISMP, or its medication safety alert newsletters and other tools for healthcare professionals and consumers, visit [www.ismp.org](http://www.ismp.org).

**About CareFusion Foundation:** The CareFusion Foundation, the grant making organization of medical technologies company CareFusion, exists to create and support opportunities to improve the safety and cost of health care for generations to come. As part of the company’s commitment to improving health care, the CareFusion Foundation helps to fund organizations on the forefront of driving clinical excellence and best practices in healthcare quality and safety. The Foundation also supports volunteerism among the 14,000 CareFusion employees worldwide and with grants in the communities where its employees live and work.