

# October is American Phar

The month of October is an exciting time at the UNM College of Pharmacy. It is a month of near-nonstop community engagement and service on the part of our student pharmacists.

One of the largest initiatives that our student pharmacists spearhead throughout October is providing inoculations in anticipation of the flu season. This year, a mere three days into American Pharmacists Month, Tim Keller, the mayor of the city of Albuquerque received his flu shot from a Lobo during a flu shot clinic organized by the UNM College of Pharmacy APhA-ASP Chapter within the walls of the city council chambers.

Through the end of the month, student pharmacists continued organizing flu shot clinics on the campus and around the city of Albuquerque. *Fiesta de Flu*, a yearly flu shot clinic specifically serving UNM Health Sciences

students, staff, and faculty, is a perfect example of the incredible community engagement and interprofessional collaboration that American Pharmacists Month facilitates. *Fiesta de Flu* is organized in collaboration with the UNM College of Nursing, resulting in the kind of interprofessional interaction that prepares healthcare professionals



(Above) Student Pharmacist receiving her flu shot from a nursing student during the annual *Fiesta de Flu*.

for real-world clinical practice and a more thorough appreciation between the pharmacists and nurses of tomorrow. Though flu shot clinics are an essential aspect