



***OPhA Presents***  
**2018 Excellence in Innovation Award to**  
**Dr. Kacee Blackwell**  
**Edmond, Oklahoma**  
**July 28, 2018**

**T**he Oklahoma Pharmacist Association (OPhA) celebrated the outstanding efforts of individuals in the pharmacy profession during its Annual Convention and trade show at the Renaissance Oklahoma City Convention Center Hotel this week (July 27-29). A total of 6 individuals were presented with the 2018 Excellence Awards. The Excellence Awards were awarded in six different categories: Spirit Award, NCPA Leadership Award, Distinguished Young Pharmacist Award, Excellence in Innovation Award, Cardinal Health Generation Rx Award of Excellence, and the prestigious Bowl of Hygeia Award.

The Excellence in Innovation Award was presented to Dr. Kacee Blackwell, Pharm.D. To be eligible to be nominated for this award, a pharmacist must have demonstrated a rare, unique, and/or innovative style of pharmacy practice resulting in improved patient care.

Dr. Blackwell is a staff pharmacist at Creative Care Pharmacy in Edmond and is the RxSelect Community Pharmacy Enhanced Services Network (CPESN) Project Coordinator. A CPESN is a quality improvement initiative that creates a network of pharmacies which provide enhanced services to the patient and focus on improving clinical outcomes for those patients. As the CPESN Project Coordinator, Blackwell has been responsible for working with other providers to remove barriers to care in order to provide a more integrated approach to patient care. This innovative concept will help high-risk patients by reducing their ER visits and their inpatient hospital admissions and readmissions. As a network of pharmacies working with health care providers, the CPESN will ensure that the patient receives proper medications through a clinically integrated group.

Dr. Blackwell received her Bachelor of Science in biochemistry in 2004 and a Doctor of Pharmacy in 2008 from The University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy. Blackwell has been a member of OPhA since 2008. She also serves on the Board of Trustees at Stillwater Church of Christ University Center Foundation.

Kacee and her husband Blake have two daughters, Canaan and Eden and they are members of the Edmond Church of Christ.