

# A Pharmacy Educational Program for Resettled Refugees

## Purpose

The program was initiated in 2013 through the collaboration of Ohio State's College of Pharmacy and the community partners in central Ohio to help refugees acquaint themselves with the operations of the U.S. medical and pharmacy systems. The 2.5-hour interactive program, accompanied with interpreters, provides educational sessions that introduce the unfamiliar U.S. healthcare system to newly resettled refugee populations in Columbus.

## Impact

Refugees who attend the program leave the sessions with an awareness of how the U.S. Healthcare system works. The exit survey revealed the participants feel comfortable navigating the pharmacy.

This program also introduces the need for cultural sensitivity to student pharmacists, staff, and faculty at the college and the community.

This program serves as a collaborative learning experience that strengthens the college's relationship with the community. Also, a strong relationship is built between the university and community partners.

**Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved**  
College of Pharmacy

**Community Partners Involved**  
Kroger  
US Together Inc.



## How you can get involved:

- Funding to support the program
- Support US Together, Inc.
- Collaborate and adopt the program

## To get involved, contact:

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