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## **Sullivan University College of Pharmacy Celebrates First White Coat Ceremony with Inaugural Class**

**Louisville, KY-** January 9, 2009 marks a memorable day in the lives of 74 first-year Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) candidates attending Sullivan University College of Pharmacy.

At 5 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport Hotel, the Inaugural Class of 2011 will celebrate its rite of passage from pure classroom education to real-world experience and practice at the White Coat Ceremony,. This White Coat Ceremony represents a cloak of professionalism, ethics, and integrity for the students, as they will receive their white lab coats and take the Pharmacy Profession Pledge of Professionalism. The ceremony is sponsored by Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

Founding Dean of the College, Dr. Hieu T. Tran, along with the Chancellor and President of Sullivan University will speak at the event.

“The White Coat Ceremony represents a symbol of responsibility that students will carry throughout their professional life at the service and care for their patients and those in need,” Tran said.

Dr. William Fleming, Vice-President of Pharmacy and Clinical Integration of Humana, Inc., will deliver the keynote speech.

The College of Pharmacy is currently preparing for its second graduating class, the Class of 2012, and continues to make strides in its effort to become a school of high demand across the country. For questions regarding the College of Pharmacy or the White Coat Ceremony, please contact Mrs. Sara Wade at [swade@sullivan.edu](mailto:swade@sullivan.edu) or (502) 413-8642.