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CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- Dr. Myriam Shaw Ojeda, a 2019 Cedarville pharmacy graduate from New Delhi, India, has been named the first fellow in the Ohio Pharmacists Association Center for Entrepreneurship Fellowship.

The fellowship was created earlier this year by Dr. Marc Sweeney, Cedarville’s dean of the school of pharmacy and professor of pharmacy practice, the Ohio Pharmacists Association (OPA) and Conway’s Pharmacy in Mount Vernon and Danville, Ohio to help pharmacists develop skills in entrepreneurship, advocacy and practice. These contributors recognized that these skills were especially important since Ohio’s Senate passed a bill that gave pharmacists provider status earlier this year.

In the fellowship, Shaw Ojeda is working at OPA to move provider status practically into the Ohio pharmacy landscape. This will maximize the opportunities presented by the passing of the new Bill.

Shaw Ojeda also works at Conway’s Pharmacy in Knox County, Ohio, where she serves the rural community and identifies where improvement in patient care is possible. Thus creating an innovative model to inspire and motivate other community pharmacies and partners to collaborate in this evolving discipline.

“Through the fellowship, we will work to make provider status a reality so that each patient in the state of Ohio will be able to engage fully with all that pharmacists can offer,” explained Shaw Ojeda.

Shaw Ojeda sees the fellowship as a way for her to continue growing as a pharmacy leader, which started during her time at Cedarville.

“Cedarville provides an innovative and thorough pharmacy education,” explained Shaw Ojeda. “There is also a culture of servant leadership in the school of pharmacy. So when this fellowship opportunity came up, I was well equipped to take it on because I had so much mentorship at Cedarville.”

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