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**Schwanda Flowers, Pharm. D., Appointed
UAMS College of Pharmacy Interim Dean**

LITTLE ROCK — Schwanda Flowers, Pharm. D., has been named interim dean of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) College of Pharmacy. She is the college's associate dean for administrative and academic affairs.

Flowers has served as interim dean since Jan. 7, when former dean Keith Olsen, Pharm.D., stepped down to take an appointment as dean of the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Pharmacy in Omaha. UAMS will conduct a national search for a successor to Olsen.

Also an associate professor in the College of Pharmacy, Flowers received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 1999 from the college. In 2009, she completed a fellowship in the Academic Leadership Fellows Program of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy.

From 2012 to 2018, Flowers served as the college's associate dean for student affairs and faculty development. She has served on the college's faculty since 2005.

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; northwest Arkansas regional campus; statewide network of regional centers; and six institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging and Translational Research Institute. It is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. UAMS has 2,727 students, 870 medical residents and five dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses throughout the state, Arkansas Children's Hospital, the VA Medical

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