Ritesh Shah, RPh continues to be an extraordinary example of a devoted husband, father, a caring and compassionate pharmacist, multi-store pharmacy owner / businessman who represents our industry very well.

He is the "Professional & Caring Pharmacist" who is totally involved and dedicated to his community in many ways. This includes the involvement in the political process and wave of activity both on a county and statewide level.

He is extremely involved with the Monmouth County Democrats and is respected and acknowledged by politicians throughout New Jersey.

Ritesh this past winter organized and sponsored a winter pharmacy summit to **Recognize Key Policy Makers and Discuss the Issues Confronting the Practice of Pharmacy.**

He is founder and Chairman of the NJRxPAC. (See attachment below)

In planning on attending the NJ Pharmacist Day in Trenton this year, he was instrumental in organizing and driving recruitment of other pharmacists and pharmacy owners to attend this important day.

I am proud to know Ritesh as a professional who is making a difference in a political sense for pharmacists and pharmacy owners in New Jersey.

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[INDEPENDENT PHARMACIST IN NJ TO CREATE PAC](http://www.indiajournal.com/politics1/independent-pharmacistin-nj-to-create-pac)

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PISCATAWAY, NJ - Over 200 New Jersey independent pharmacy owners gathered to discuss the current state of retail pharmacy.  In an event which named “Winter Pharmacy Summit: Recognizing Key Policy Makers and Discussing the Issues Confronting the Practice of Pharmacy” lead organizer Ritesh Shah, raised the issues confronting retail pharmacies. “We are dealing with an unleveled playing field, PBMs, mail order operations, and others are not playing by the same set of rules that we have to follow” he remarked. “Tonight we take the first step toward leveling that playing field and restoring equality to the industry” he said on Dec. 10 at an event held here. The event was also attended by Monmouth County Democratic Chairman, Vin Gopal, newly elected Assemblyman Raj Mukerjee from NJ’s 33rd Legislative District, and Assemblyman Gary Schaer from NJ’s 36th District, who is also the Deputy Speaker for the New Jersey Assembly.

 The pharmacy group announced their intentions to create a Political Action Committee named NJRxPAC.  “We need to educate our elected representatives. There is a misperception that we count pills for a living. We are professionals on the front line of healthcare” said Mahesh Shah, who is on the steering committee for the PAC and is also a member of the Board of Pharmacy.  The PAC will have an Advisory Board that includes many prominent pharmacy owners.

**Winter Pharmacy Summit: Recognizing Key Policy Makers and Discussing the Issues Confronting the Practice of Pharmacy**

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**December 2, 2013**



Please join Ritesh Shah, RPh, pharmacists and independent pharmacy owners to recognize and to discuss the Issues Confronting the Practice of Retail Pharmacy

**Invitation**

Ritesh Shah cordially invites you to join him in recognizing and congratulating our newly elected Indo-Americans in New Jersey

Raj Mukherji, NJ's 33rd Legislative District Assemblyman

Vin Gopal, Monmouth County Democratic Chairman

**Our invited guest**

The Honorable Frank Pallone, Jr.,

U.S. House of Representatives, 6th Congressional District, NJ

On December 10, 2013, at 7:30 pm

Deewan Restaurant & Banquet – Hall A

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