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Message from the President

CONTINUED GROWTH

My last message in CAAHEP’s annual report spoke to the expanded activities of CAAHEP. I am glad to report that this trend continues. Since July 2010 CAAHEP has approved a new Committee on Accreditation: Advanced Cardiovascular Sonographer, and its sponsor, The American Society of Echocardiology. Two Committees on Accreditation had their Standards and Guidelines approved for their educational programs. These were Recreational Therapy Education and Orthotics and Prosthetics. In addition, a new related profession was added to the Committee on Accreditation for Education in Electroneurodiagnostic Technology: Intraoperative Neurophysiologic Monitoring (IONM).

The growth of CAAHEP can be seen in reviewing the increase in approvals of initial programs, continuing programs and self studies submitted. Since last year, CAAHEP saw a 47% increase in the number of initial programs, 37% increase in the number of continuing programs and a 43% increase in the number of self studies submitted. The Committees on Accreditation experiencing this growth include Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic, Diagnostic Medical Sonographer, Surgical Technology and Medical Assisting.

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

This year CAAHEP offered three new webinars. The enrollment grew to over 100 participants in each session. The topics were timely and spoke to the needs of the Committees on Accreditation and Program Directors, alike. “Assessing Student Learning Outcomes”, “Improving the Quality of Clinical Preceptors,” and “Integrating Emergency Preparedness into the Curriculum” were the topics presented. These webinars continue to be available on the CAAHEP website for those individuals who missed the opportunity to participate in the original sessions.

CHEA RECOGNITION

Since July 2010, CAAHEP has been completing the processes to receive re-recognition from CHEA, The Council on Higher Education Accreditation. The process began last summer with the application for eligibility and continued in the fall with the self study report. In January the CAAHEP was site-visited by a CHEA reviewer. In June 2011, the executive director, Kathy Megivern and I
appeared before the CHEA review committee for the final stage of the review process. CAAHEP received very positive comments in all stages of the review. The final step will come with a recommendation for the CHEA Board of Directors in September 2011. We feel confident that their Board of Directors will be positive in their final decision.

With the preparation for the CHEA re-recognition process, the CAAHEP board expanded the role of the board liaisons to each Committee on Accreditation. Conducting paper and site visit audits and presenting a formal liaison report to the board at each January meeting were some of the liaison’s new duties. Additionally each liaison is encouraged to be present via conference call during those board meetings when their assigned CoA has accreditation actions.

COMMUNICATIONS

CAAHEP continues to increase the electronic communication of the board of directors and staff with the CoAs, Program Directors and other communities of interest. Each month, the staff provides timely updates to the Committees on Accreditation via CoA Notes. Policy Pointers and Tool Box Full of Resources are just two re-occurring columns featured in this monthly newsletter. The Communiqué is distributed six times a year to all communities of interest. This year’s newsletters featured Spotlightson Professions for Cytotechnology, Medical Assisting and Orthotics and Prosthetics. Lastly Kathy Megivern created a BLOG on the CAAHEP website. It addresses timely responses to the latest hot topics, especially those coming from Washington or the national media.

2011-12 will be my last year to serve on the CAAHEP Board. My five years thus far seem to have flown by. I have personally seen amazing growth in the CAAHEP organization and Board of Directors. This year I completed my term of office as President. I have had the pleasure to work with a dedicated group of individuals seeking to improve the accreditation process and meet the needs of CoA’s and programs. I have enjoyed meeting the chairs and executive directors and staff of each CoA. I have a circle of professional friends that I will continue to admire long after my service to CAAHEP has ended. I thank you all for making my experience with CAAHEP a bright star in my life.
2011 in Review

- Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs

Provided financial support to CoAs to attend the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors' Conference.

- Annual meeting income greater than anticipated.

- Continue to provide CoAs with access to online meeting software, thereby reducing CoAs' meeting expenses.

- Realized gains in investments.

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Calvin Harris, EdD
Treasurer 2010-2011

Achievements

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Treasurer’s Report

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
JUNE 30, 2011 AND 2010

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LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

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Total Liabilities & Net Assets | $2,369,911 | $2,199,845 |
2010-2011 Year in Review

Accreditation Process Enhancements and Changes

Actions were taken on a number of CAAHEP Policies and Procedures this past year to refine the CAAHEP accreditation process. Changes were made to the Ethical Standards of Practice, and now require each Committee on Accreditation to adopt policies related to conflicts of interest for their volunteers, and also allows an honoraria to be paid for services such as site visitor services rendered. The Board clarified the Transfer of Sponsorship policies and procedures, as well as the Change of Name/Change of Ownership policy. The Initial Accreditation policy was also reviewed and changed to explain that initial accreditation status would automatically expire prior to the end of the initial accreditation period if the program is not recommended for continuing accreditation or, if warranted, brought forward for probationary action. The Voluntary Inactive Status policy was also changed to spell out requirements that must be met if an inactive program needs to extend the inactive status beyond the two-year period.

CAAHEP’s Web Presence

This past year, CAAHEP’s website reached a milestone with over one million searches for accredited programs being conducted. With the ability to track the searches by profession, CAAHEP discovered that the top three professions searched were Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Medical Assisting, and Surgical Technology. The following chart indicates the number of individuals conducting a search by profession over the past year. It is important to note that as the Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography, Anesthesia Technology, Lactation Consultant, and Recreational Therapy professions are new to CAAHEP and do not yet have accredited programs in the system, we could not track searches.

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CHEA Renewal Recognition

Much of the activity at CAAHEP this year was consumed with CAAHEP’s renewal of recognition process with the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. The multi-step process included applying for and receiving a ruling of CAAHEP’s eligibility to apply for CHEA recognition, developing a self-study of CAAHEP practices and procedures, a site visit by an observer for CHEA, and attendance at a hearing held by
the CHEA Committee on Recognition in Washington, DC. The CHEA renewal recognition process has proven to be extremely thorough and has strengthened CAAHEP procedures. One new procedure to come from this process is the Board liaison annual paper audit of a program going through the accreditation process. The audit assures that all CAAHEP policies are followed as the program is being reviewed. In addition, a site visit audit was conducted for six Committees on Accreditation by liaisons. During the site visit audit, the liaison makes sure the site visit policies and procedures are observed. All liaisons completing the paper audit and site visit audits reported to the CAAHEP Board that all policies and procedures are being followed.

MEETINGS, PRESENTATIONS AND RESOURCES

One of CAAHEP’s greatest resources is the networking opportunities it affords to those attending one of the three meetings held throughout the year – the January Leadership Meeting for CoA leaders, the Board, and Board liaisons; the Annual Meeting of the Commission in April; and the CoA Summer Workshop held in July.

The 2010 Summer CoA Workshop focused on evaluating distance education programs providing insight to how institutions conduct distance education programs, and reviewed the CAAHEP distance education task force’s work on how to evaluate distance programs. The workshop also highlighted a standards interpretation guide developed by the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology/Surgical Assisting.

The January Meeting held in Clearwater, Florida, provided the CoA leadership, liaisons, and Board a forum to focus on identifying traits of a good leader and ways to recruit those individuals into leadership roles; incorporating outcomes into the CoA review process; reviewing CAAHEP policy changes from over the past year; and, analyzing citations by CoA and Standards section.

“Memphis Beat: In Tune with the Future of Higher Education” was the theme of the Commission’s Annual Meeting held in April in Memphis, Tennessee, where attendees were provided an update on education and accreditation actions in Washington; took a look at the direction medicine and allied health are heading; and how robotics and technology are being utilized in health education, which included demonstrations of several simulators. Two professions were spotlighted, along with several of CAAHEP’s sponsoring organizations. In keeping with the Memphis Beat them, and, since the meeting was held in Memphis, of course there was “king size” entertainment from the King himself – Elvis Presley.

The CAAHEP Webinar Series realized continued success this year with record-breaking numbers of attendees at each program. “Introduction to Assessing Student Learning Outcomes,” with Dr. Susan Hatfield, was attended by 263 individuals and “Improving the Quality of Clinical Preceptors: Practical Applications for Bench Teaching,” with Donald Simpson, PhD, had an attendance of 182. Dr. Cecelia Rokusek wrapped up the series with “Are You Prepared: Integrating Emergency Preparedness into the Curriculum” with over 130 people in attendance. These programs continue to educate program directors, CoA members, and other interested parties as they are posted on the CAAHEP website, with nearly an additional 100 individuals viewing the online webinars thus far.
Summary of Accreditation Actions

At the conclusion of the 2011 fiscal year, CAAHEP had 1,964 accredited programs in 19 professions with five newer CoAs working on Standards or just beginning reviews. The number of accreditation actions that were taken this year, detailed by profession and accreditation status, are as follows. Please note that new professions Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography, Anesthesia Technology, Lactation Consultant, Orthotic and Prosthetic Technician, and Recreational Therapy, as well as Kinesiotherapy and Personal Fitness Training did not have any accreditation actions this past year and are not included on this chart.

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Voluntary Withdrawals: July 2010-June 2011

The total number of programs, by profession, that exercised the right to voluntarily withdraw from accreditation during the 2010-2011 fiscal year increased slightly from last year, as seen in the chart below:

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Accredited Programs by Profession

The following reports the number of accredited programs by each profession and sorted by accreditation status as of June 30, 2011.

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2010-2011 CAAHEP Board of Directors

PRESIDENT: M. LaCheeta McPherson, PhD, MLS(ASCP)
Dr. McPherson has served on the CAAHEP Board for five years. As President, she oversaw both the Planning and Development and Performance Oversight Committees, as well as chairing the Governance Committee. In addition, she serves as liaison to the National Committee on Orthotic and Prosthetic Education, which represents Orthotics and Prosthetics and Orthotic and Prosthetic Technicians professions.

VICE PRESIDENT: Hugh W. Bonner, PhD
Dr. Bonner has served on the CAAHEP Board for five years. He was the chair of the CAAHEP Planning and Development Committee and serves as liaison to the Committee on Accreditation Review Committee for the Anesthesiologist Assistant. Dr. Bonner is also a CAAHEP trained Generalist Site Visitor.

TREASURER: Calvin Harris, EdD
Serving on the CAAHEP Board as one of the Public Members for the past 3 years, Dr. Harris completed his first term as CAAHEP Treasurer. He is a retired educator, served as Chairman of the Pinellas County Commission, and resides in Clearwater, FL. He serves on the CAAHEP Planning and Development Committee.

SECRETARY: Nancy Smith, MS, SCT (ASCP)
Nancy Smith served on the CAAHEP Board for six years and was the Secretary to the board. She was a member of the CAAHEP Planning and Development Committee, serves as liaison to the Medical Assisting Education Review Board, and on several task forces.

Cynthia Butters, EdD
Board Member, Cynthia Butters, EdD, has served as a member of the Board since 2007 representing the National Network of Health Career Programs in Two-Year Colleges (NN2). She serves on the Performance Oversight Committee, as well as liaison to the Committee on Accreditation for Polysomnographic Technologist Education.
Claire Chandler, AA-C
Claire Chandler represents the American Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants on the CAAHEP Board, and was elected to the Board in 2010. She serves on a number of CAAHEP task forces and as a member of the Performance Oversight Committee.

Alicia Davis, MPA, CPO, FAAOP
Alicia Davis was elected to the CAAHEP Board in April 2010, as a Committee on Accreditation representative, however, was unable to complete her term on the Board and resigned in April 2011.

Greg Frazer, PhD
Dr. Frazer served on the CAAHEP Board for six years, representing ASAHP. He was a member of the CAAHEP Planning and Development Committee and serves as Board Liaison to the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA) and is a CAAHEP Generalist Site Visitor.

Susan Fuchs, MD
Dr. Fuchs represents the American Academy of Pediatrics on the CAAHEP Board. Serving a second time on the CAAHEP Board, she is also the Board Liaison to the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions. She is also a member of the CAAHPE Planning and Development Committee.

Jinny Gender
Ms. Gender was one of the Public Members to serve the Board of Directors and resides in St. Louis, Missouri. Ms. Gender is retired from the social work profession. She serves on the CAAHEP Planning and Development Committee.

Cameron Harris, RPSGT
Mr. Harris was elected to the CAAHEP Board in 2010. He serves on the CAAHEP Planning and Development Committee. He is past chair of the Committee on Accreditation of Polysomnographic Technologist Education. He also serves as the Board Liaison to the Committee on Accreditation for Anesthesia Technologist /Technician Education. Mr. Harris is CAAHEP trained Generalist Site Visitor.
Kathleen Jung, F(AMI), CMI
Representing the Accreditation Review Committee on Medical Illustration on the Board in 2009 for a second term, Ms. Jung is a member of the CAAHEP Performance Oversight Committee. She is the liaison to the Committee on Accreditation of Education Programs for Kinesiotherapy.

Kalyani Naik, MS, CST(ASCP)
Ms. Naik represents the Cytotechnology Program Review Committee (CPRC) on the Board, and is a member of the Performance Oversight Committee. She is also a member of the CAAHEP Standards Committee. She serves as Board Liaison to Committee on Accreditation for Education in Electroneurodiagnostic Technology.

John Padgett, BS, Med, PhD
Dr. Padgett was elected to the CAAHEP Board in 2010 and serves on the CAAHEP Performance Oversight Committee. He is a Commissioner representing proprietary institutions on the board and is a trained CAAHEP Generalist Site Visitor. He is the Board Liaison to the Committee on Accreditation of Recreational Therapy Education.

Kerry Weinberg, MPA, RDMS, RDCS, RT
Ms. Weinberg represents the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography on the CAAHEP Board, and is in her second term as a Board Member. She was the chair of the CAAHEP Performance Oversight Committee.

Katie Bowe, CST
Ms. Bowe is the Recent Graduate Commissioner that was selected by the CAAHEP Board to serve in July 2010. She is a certified surgical technologist from Michigan.
Award for Exceptional Service

The CAAHEP Exceptional Service Award is traditionally presented at the Awards Luncheon during the Annual Meeting of the Commission and spotlights the exceptional service of a CAAHEP volunteer.

The 2011 CAAHEP Exceptional Service Award was presented to William J. Horgan at the Annual Meeting in Memphis, Tennessee. The criteria for the CAAHEP Exceptional Service Award are advancing CAAHEP’s mission and goals, assuming leadership responsibilities within CAAHEP, exhibiting notable participation in one or more CAAHEP activities and/or programs, and advancing ideas and/or new strategies to benefit the organization. Nothing defines Bill Horgan better than these criteria.

Bill has served as a volunteer and leader of CAAHEP since its inception, attending the organizational meeting of CAAHEP in May 1994, as the Commissioner for the Accreditation Committee - Perfusion Education. At the 1994 organizational meeting, he was elected to the Executive Board of the new Commission and served as Secretary. Over the years, Bill served on the Bylaws Committee and a Special Committee on Streamlining Accreditation. He completed two terms on the Board in 1998, a year in which he also chaired both the Standards Committee and the Bylaws Committee.

In 2003, Bill was welcomed back to the Board of Directors to fill a vacant seat, and then went on to complete two more full terms, serving as Vice President and President of CAAHEP. Throughout his service to the organization, Bill continued his role as Commissioner for the AC-PE - a tenure lasting 16 years.

Although he is fully-retired from his career as a perfusionist and no longer serves on the CAAHEP Board or the AC-PE, he continues to serve CAAHEP as a Board Liaison to the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography.

Bill and his wife Barbara live in Hot Springs Village, Arkansas, however, they spend a great deal of their time on the road visiting their children and grandchildren.
2010-2011 CAAHEP Sponsoring Organizations & Commissioners

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs is comprised of representatives from the sponsoring organizations, the CoAs and other communities of interest. The CAAHEP Board of Directors is elected from and by these Commissioners. Commissioners are responsible for approving the bylaws, mission, and vision statements of the organization. In addition, Commissioners determine which health sciences professions are eligible to participate in CAAHEP. The following is a list of CAAHEP’s sponsoring and member organizations, including the Commissioners who represent each organization.

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