

ADEA DH GRADUATE EDUCATION SIG NEWSLETTER – WINTER 2014



March 15-18th, 2014
San Antonio Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center

A Message from the Chair:

Happy New Year and Greetings!

I extend warm wishes to everyone especially during this rough winter season. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in sunny San Antonio as we embark on another wonderful ADEA meeting, and focus on ‘The Science of Learning’. I am pleased to be writing to you from our first SIG Graduate Dental Hygiene Education Programs newsletter. As we discussed last year at our members forum the newsletter is essential as we move from being a SIG to an ADEA section.

As many of you know I polled (through e-mail) the Master of Science in Dental Hygiene (MSDH) and Masters’ Degree in Related Disciplines list obtained from the ADHA website (n= 22) and got a great 79% response rate. I asked programs about number of students enrolled in their programs, program length, program type (on campus or online), thesis or capstone project required, and 1 or 2 distinguishing features of their programs. I have developed a chart and will present it at the members’ forum at the ADEA meeting. One thing that stands out is that we have outstanding graduate programs across the country!

I welcome everyone to attend our section sponsored program “Assessment of Dental Hygiene Degree Completion and Graduate Programs” Sunday, March 16th. 2:00–3:00, HBGCC–Room 201. This program will provide expert panel discussion by degree completion and graduate dental hygiene directors on program assessment. Panelists will present and discuss their experiences with external review evaluations and methods of program evaluation. The presenters/panelists include Linda Boyd (Forsyth), Tanya V. Mitchell & Lorie Holt (UMKC), and Sharon Stull (ODU), moderated by Ann Bruhn (ODU).

At our members forum Tuesday, March 18 – 7:00 –8:00am, we will be electing a new secretary, and I ask anyone interested to please email me with your intention to be nominated for the position. Also, I will need a short biography sent to dianne.smallidge@mcphs.edu by the end of February 2014.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in San Antonio!

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AND

**MEMBERS FORUM
TUESDAY, MARCH 18 – 7:00 -8:00AM**

*Registration Deadline:
Advanced – March 7
Onsite Rates: Begin March 8
Official Headquarters Hotel Grand Hyatt San Antonio
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