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Master Calendar for Application Services in the 2011-12 Application Cycle

	ADEA CAAPID	ADEA PASS	ADEA AADSAS
	<i>Centralized Application for Advanced Placement for International Dentists</i>	<i>Postdoctoral Application Support Service</i>	<i>Associated American Dental Schools Application Service</i>
Application Open Date	Thursday, April 14, 2011	Wednesday, May 18, 2011	Wednesday, June 1, 2011
Application Close Date	Wednesday, February 15, 2012	Wednesday, February 15, 2012	Wednesday, February 1, 2012
Application Service First Emailing	Friday, April 29, 2011	WebAdMIT release Wednesday, June 1, 2011	Friday, June 24, 2011
Admissions Officers/Program Directors Portal Release Date	Thursday, April 14, 2011	N/A	Wednesday, June 1, 2011
ADEA AADSAS Reviewers Portal Release Date	N/A	N/A	Thursday, June 2, 2011
CCClient	Monday, April 4, 2011	N/A	Monday, May 2, 2011
WebAdMIT	N/A	Wednesday, June 1, 2011	Launch of 2013 cycle

Global Clinical Experiences—Where Do We Go from Here?

A recent “hot topic” among the ADEA Sections of Dental School Admissions Officers and Student Affairs and Financial Aid (ADEA AFASA) community, students, and health professions advisors has been global clinical experiences for both pre dental and dental students.

Traveling to a third-world country on a medical mission can be an inspiring and transformative experience for pre dental and dental students. However, admissions officers and others have become alarmed when reading applicant accounts of independently performing clinical procedures—including administering anesthesia and extracting teeth—for which applicants

have not been properly educated. Similarly, preclinical dental students have had international experiences where they are expected to perform procedures for which they have not yet been educated.

Concerns about these student experiences led to the 2010 development of the *ADEA Guidelines for Pre dental Students Providing Patient Care During Clinical Experiences Abroad*.

The discussion continued at the 2011 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition in San Diego at a section program co-sponsored by ADEA AFASA. Featured speakers were Rev. Michael Birnbaum, founder and President of International Service Learning, and Ms. Jennifer Staple-Clark, founder and CEO of Unite for Sight, who came to

us via video. They discussed opportunities to serve and positive aspects of global outreach programs, as well as how students can be put in situations where they are encouraged to perform clinical experiences for which they have not been adequately trained, and what students and advisors should be wary about in pursuing global outreach experiences.

Following a discussion of findings from a recent survey of dental school admissions officers, which concluded that admissions officers had strong and often divided feelings about the value of global outreach experiences, there was a facilitated discussion on the following:

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- If and how the *ADEA Guidelines for Predental Students Providing Patient Care During Clinical Experiences Abroad* should be modified
- Recommendations to increase awareness and adoption of these guidelines among stakeholder groups including global clinical experience programs, school-based faculty, admissions officers, health professions advisors, and students

The lively discussion that followed focused on expanding the guidelines to include all levels of dental education (predental, allied dental, preclinical and clinically educated dental students); how best to design an initiative to define, communicate, and promote guidelines and best practices for predental students, allied dental and dental students, and health professions advisors; and continuing the dialogue with global outreach programs and others.

ADEA staff are reviewing all recommendations and formulating the plans for next steps.

Introducing the Personal Potential Index for ADEA PASS: A New Evaluation Tool Coming Soon

Beginning with the 2012 application cycle, ADEA PASS will work with Educational Testing Service® (ETS) to include the proven benefits of its Personal Potential Index (PPI) among the evaluation resources provided to advanced dental education programs.

The ETS® PPI is a web-based evaluation system designed to provide a more complete picture of an applicant's potential for success in an advanced dental education program—beyond grades, test scores, and recommendation letters. Multiple evaluators selected by the applicant (up to five) rate the applicant on six personal dimensions that have been identified as critical for success in graduate education. ETS creates a report that incorporates the evaluations and comments from all the reviewers and is included in the ADEA PASS application sent to advanced dental education programs the applicant designates.

In less than 15 minutes, an evaluator can complete the ETS® PPI evaluation and help an applicant demonstrate that he or she has the attributes for success in postdoctoral dental education. The system is convenient and easy to use, and an evaluator only needs to complete one evaluation per applicant, even if the applicant applies to multiple residency programs through ADEA PASS.

For complete information about the ETS® PPI and how it works with ADEA PASS, visit http://www.adea.org/dental_education_paths/pass/Applicants/Documents/PPI%20Fact%20Sheet_FINAL.pdf. Updates will be posted at www.adea.org/dental_education_paths/pass/Applicants/Pages/ADEAPASSPPI.aspx.

ADEA Fall 2011 Meetings

The ADEA Fall Meetings each year are an important time for ADEA members to come together across interests and specialties to benefit from networking and sharing ideas around a vital issue.

This year's gathering will key its professional development to the Fourth ADEA Summit on Advanced Dental Education, hosted by the ADEA Council of Hospitals and Advanced Education Programs. The summit will strive to define success at the postdoctoral level of dental education. Participants will be encouraged to frame their own definitions of success for their groups and at the predoctoral and career levels.

Several groups will be meeting, including:

- Fourth ADEA Summit on Advanced Dental Education
- ADEA AFASA (Sections on Admissions Officers and Student Affairs and Financial Aid) Meeting
- ADEA Council of Faculties Interim Meeting
- ADEA Council of Sections Interim Meeting
- ADEA Council of Students, Residents, and Fellows Interim Meeting
- ADEA Meeting of Academic Deans
- ADEA Annual Session Program Committee

Mark your calendar to attend the meeting in San Antonio, Texas, October 20-22, 2011. More information is available at www.adea.org/events.

ADEA Advances Criminal Background Check Program

Certiphi Screening, Inc. partners with the American Dental Education Association to provide criminal background checks (CBC) on predental applicants. ADEA AADSAS successfully implemented the CBC program with the 2011 application cycle. Twenty-five schools participated, and more have expressed interest for the 2012 application cycle.

For the upcoming 2012 application cycle, ADEA PASS will launch its CBC program for candidates applying to postdoctoral dental education programs. This program will streamline the background check process for incoming dental residents and help ensure patient safety and compliance with state laws and regulations. There is no cost for programs to participate in the ADEA PASS criminal background check. Applicants who are admitted into programs are responsible for the cost of the check.

Enhancements to the program are forthcoming, and some of these include:

- Revising the email notification to student applicants, which will now include a link to a website displaying all participating schools requiring a background check
- Developing best-practices documents for student criminal background checks, which will be available on the GoADEA AFASA webpage at www.GOADEAAFASA.org

If you are interested in participating in the ADEA AADSAS or ADEA PASS criminal background check programs, please contact Suzi Arant at sarant@certiphi.com or Jackie Smith at jsmith@certiphi.com for more information.

ADEA AADSAS Hosting Webinars for the 2012 Cycle

Join ADEA AADSAS staff for two series of exciting webinars for the 2012 application cycle. We encourage you to invite your staff to participate in this training to assist you.

ADEA AADSAS Moving Toward a Paperless Process

ADEA AADSAS Task Force members Mr. James C. Betbeze, Jr., University of California, San Francisco, and Dr. Cynthia S. Beeman, University of Kentucky, will conduct these one-hour webinars. They will take you through the processes successfully developed and employed at their dental schools and discuss their experiences with paperless review, admissions committee review, storing documents, analyzing applicant information on screen, and communicating with applicants. Look for an invitation from them for your participation.

- Tuesday, April 26, 2011 (Noon – 1:00 p.m. Eastern time)
- Thursday, May 12, 2011 (Noon – 1:00 p.m. Eastern time)

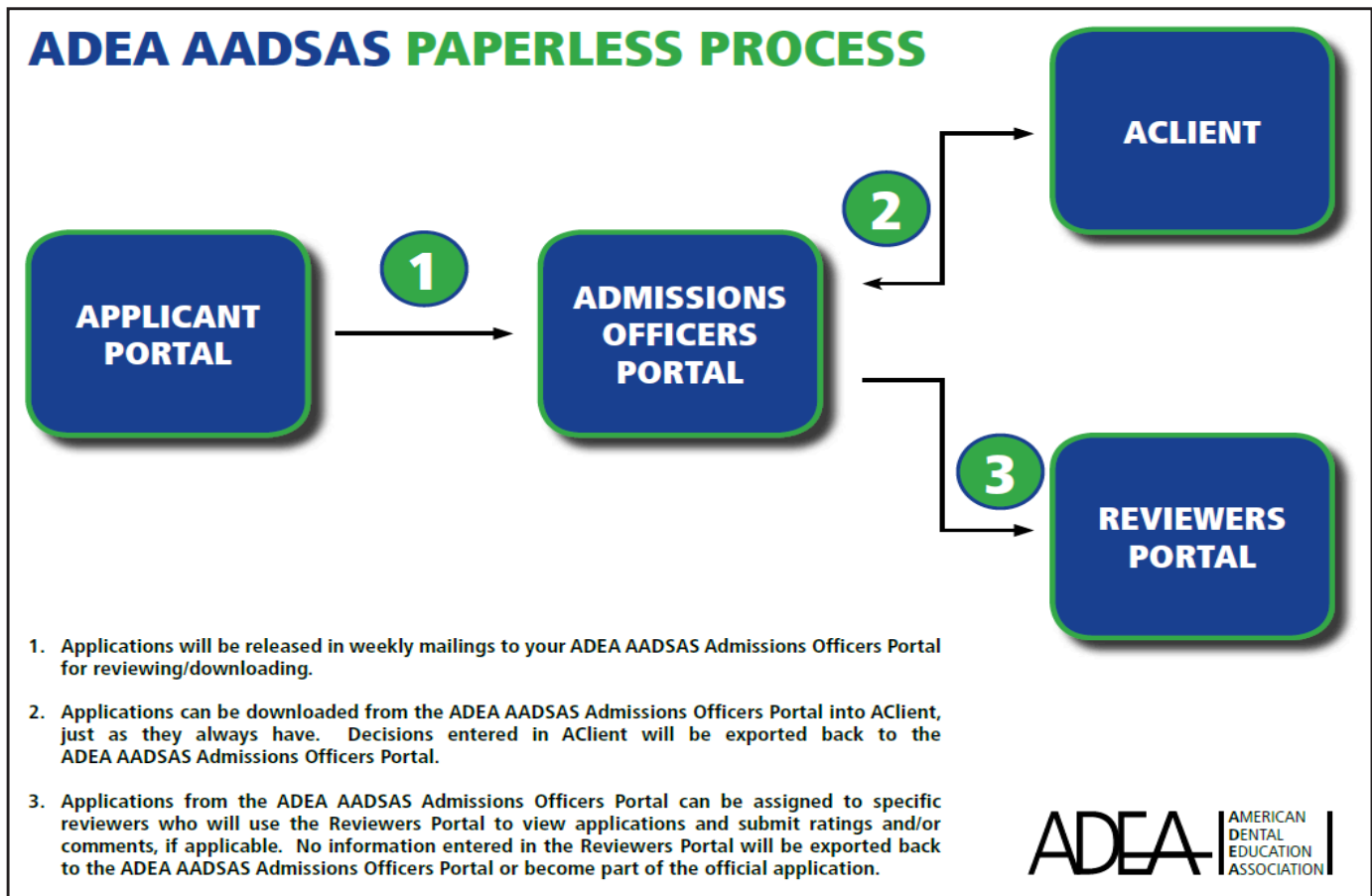
ADEA AADSAS Reviewers Portal Demonstration

Michael Gilbert, PMP, of Academic Software Plus will lead a discussion and demonstrate the 2012 ADEA AADSAS Reviewers Portal. This is an optional new tool that can be used to manage online review of applications.

This webinar will include training on the tools available in the Reviewers Portal and will walk through set up of reviews, assignment of applications to reviewers, and reporting on review progress and results. A question and answer period will follow each session.

Look for an invitation and link to the webinar coming soon. For now, mark your calendar for one of these important webinar dates!

- Wednesday, April 27, 2011 (1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Eastern time)
- Thursday, May 12, 2011 (3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Eastern time)
- Wednesday, June 15, 2011 (10:00– 11:00 a.m. Eastern time)



What's New for the 2012 ADEA AADSAS Application Cycle

The 2012 ADEA AADSAS application cycle opens June 1, 2011. This is the first cycle where ADEA AADSAS will be completely paperless. (Read the article above about the new Reviewers Portal ADEA AADSAS is offering.)

Changes for the 2012 ADEA AADSAS application cycle include:

- A new feature that allows re-applicants to upload their information from the previous cycle
- Adding a question about the date of future DAT scores
- Adding a question about length of legal residency in a state or province
- Verifying degree status

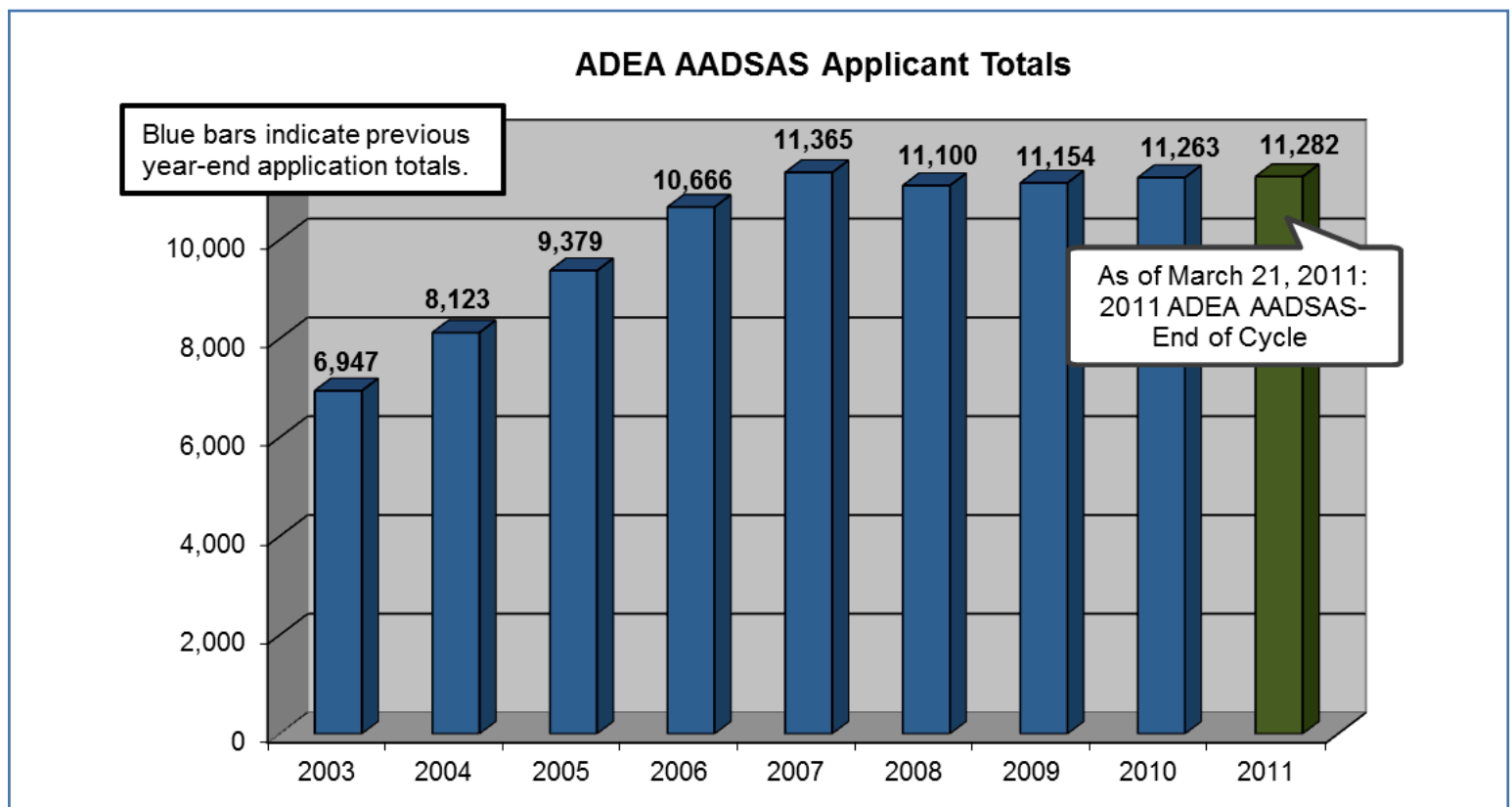
The ADEA AADSAS application fee for 2012 is \$235 for the first designation and \$75 for each additional designation.

University of Tennessee Participates in ADEA AADSAS 2012 Cycle

The University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Dentistry (UTN) will accept ADEA AADSAS applications for the class entering in August 2012. The College of Dentistry was founded in 1878 and is the third oldest in the country.

The school's application window will be June 1 through September 30, 2011. There are a limited number of out-of-state positions available, and competition is intense. The school anticipates accepting 90 students from Tennessee and Arkansas. Admissions information may be found at www.uthsc.edu/dentistry/Admissions.

End of year summaries



The 2011 ADEA AADSAS cycle closed on February 1, 2011. There were 11,282 applicants, which resulted in a 0.2% increase in the applicant pool compared to last year. For the 2011 ADEA AADSAS applicant pool, 46% are females and 54% are males. On average, applicants applied to 10 dental schools through ADEA AADSAS, and the average overall science GPA was 3.24.

Review of the 2011 ADEA PASS Cycle			
Program Type	Applicants	Applications	Programs
Advanced Education in General Dentistry	1,045	3,269	73
Anesthesiology	51	226	9
Clinical Research Fellowship	1	1	1
Dental Public Health	36	43	3
Endodontics	321	1,990	27
General Practice Residency	1,501	9,647	174
Geriatric Dentistry	4	4	1
Implantology	20	20	1
Operative Dentistry	53	76	2
Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology	5	5	1
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	461	9,604	98
Oral Biology	22	23	2
Oral Epidemiology	0	0	1
Oral Medicine	63	91	6
Oral Radiology	0	0	1
Orthodontics	708	8,698	51
Pediatric Dentistry	784	10,265	79
Periodontics	212	808	21
Periodontics Prosthesis	22	22	1
Prosthodontics	280	1,305	28
TOTALS	5,589	46,097	580

Dental Match Registrations = 3,369

Review of the 2011 ADEA CAAPID Cycle	
Applications mailed	7,593
Total applicants	1,376
Average number of designations per applicant	5
Highest number of designations submitted by an applicant	21
Participating schools	25
Mailings	48
Gender	
Female	882
Male	491
Race/Ethnicity	
Nonresident Alien	394
Race/Ethnicity Unknown	49
Hispanic	113
American Indian or Native American	0
Asian	952
Black/African-American	38
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0
White	208
Two or more races	16

Review of the 2011 ADEA PASS Cycle	
Average Designations/Applicant by Discipline	
Advanced Education in General Dentistry	3.1
Anesthesiology	4.5
Clinical Research Fellowship	1
Dental Public Health	1.2
Endodontics	6.2
General Practice Residency	6.4
Geriatric Dentistry	1
Implantology	1
Operative Dentistry	1.4
Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology	1
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	21.1
Oral Biology	1
Oral Medicine	1.4
Orthodontics	12.3
Pediatric Dentistry	13.1
Periodontics	3.8
Periodontics Prosthesis	1
Prosthodontics	4.7
Average Designations/Applicant	11.00

What's Ahead for 2012

- **ADEA CAAPID** features minor enhancements requested by users for the upcoming application cycle. The schedule for transitioning ADEA CAAPID from CClient to WebAdMIT will correspond with the ADEA AADSAS schedule. For 2012, CClient will be offered to all programs; in the 2013 cycle, WebAdMIT will be made available, but schools can opt to continue to use CClient; and for 2014 (launching April 2013), all programs will use WebAdMIT.
- **ADEA PASS** will feature significant new enhancements, including:
 - ✓ Implementing criminal background checks for admitted students. Programs may opt to subscribe to this service, similar to one implemented last year in ADEA AADSAS, and in conjunction with our corporate partner, Certiphi Screening, Inc. There is no charge for schools; the applicant is responsible for the cost of the criminal background check.
 - ✓ Incorporating the Personal Potential Index (PPI), a tool offered by Educational Testing Service (ETS®) to evaluate personal characteristics of applicants. Watch for announcements about upcoming webinars showing how the PPI will be integrated into ADEA PASS.
 - ✓ Making the collection of traditional Professional Evaluations optional for programs and for applicants

✓ Uploading supplemental application materials, including photographs, into the ADEA PASS application

- AClient will continue to be available for the 2012 **ADEA AADSAS** application cycle. Starting with the 2013 ADEA AADSAS application cycle, WebAdMIT—a new web-based application processing tool—will be offered to dental schools. Dental schools may continue to use AClient through the 2013 cycle; however, WebAdMIT will be used exclusively beginning with the 2014 cycle.

Order the 2012 ADEA AADSAS Information Sheet

The 2012 ADEA AADSAS Information Sheet is available. Feel free to order additional copies online at <http://adeamoss.adea.org/forms/aadsasorderform.htm>.



The image shows the cover page of the 'ADEA AADSAS Information Sheet'. At the top left is the ADEA logo (American Dental Education Association). To its right is the text 'ADEA Associated American Dental Schools Application Service Information for Applicants to Dental Schools for the 2012 Entering Class'. Below this is a photograph of a dentist's hands working on a patient's teeth. The main title 'Order the 2012 ADEA AADSAS Information Sheet' is prominently displayed. Below the title, there are several sections of text: 'Pathways to a Career in Dentistry', 'About ADEA AADSAS', 'Why Consider a Dental Career?', 'About ADEA', 'ADEA AADSAS Application Processing Fees', and 'Tips for a Successful ADEA AADSAS Application'. The text is arranged in a clean, professional layout with bullet points and sub-headers.