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ADEA/William J. Gies Foundation Education Fellowship Awarded to Dr. John Reinhardt

San Antonio, TX—The American Dental Education Association (ADEA) presented the prestigious ADEA/William J. Gies Foundation Education Fellowship to John Reinhardt, D.D.S., M.P.H., M.S., Dean of the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) College of Dentistry. The fellowship was awarded on March 16 at the 2014 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition, held in San Antonio, TX.

“ADEA is pleased to offer this fellowship, which provides a dental educator with an opportunity to collaborate with staff in the ADEA Policy Center to focus on current issues facing dental education,” says Stephen K. Young, D.D.S., M.S., Chair of the ADEA Board of Directors. “In the past decade, the cost of higher education has risen, and Dr. Reinhardt’s interest in improving the financial position of dental education programs in an effort to contain costs is laudable.”

As the ADEA/ William J. Gies Foundation Education Fellow, Dr. Reinhardt will spend three months in Washington, DC, working with the ADEA Policy Center. The fellowship provides an opportunity to focus on issues of importance to higher education, such as faculty recruitment, development and retention, leadership development, teaching strategies, competencies and their assessment, as well as accreditation and licensure. Dr. Reinhardt will explore his interest in improving the financial strength and fiscal stability of clinical operations at dental schools.

Dr. Reinhardt earned his B.S. degree in biology from Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, IL, in 1971 and his dental degree from Loyola University in Chicago in 1975. He received a M.S. degree in operative dentistry from the University of Iowa in 1979 and an M.P.H. degree from Harvard University in 1988. He served on the University of Iowa dental faculty for 22 years before joining UNMC in 2000.

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About the American Dental Education Association

The American Dental Education Association (ADEA) is the voice of dental education. Its members include all U.S. and Canadian dental schools and many allied and advanced dental education programs, corporations, faculty, and students. The mission of ADEA is to lead individuals and institutions of the dental education community to address contemporary issues influencing education, research and the delivery of oral health care for the health of the public. ADEA’s activities encompass a wide range of research, advocacy, faculty development, meetings, and communications, such as the esteemed *Journal of Dental Education*, as well as the dental school admissions services AADSAS, PASS, DHCAS and CAAPID. For more information about ADEA, visit www.adea.org.

About the ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition

The ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition is the premier professional development and networking event in academic dentistry, featuring four days of dynamic plenary sessions and workshops, and an exhibit hall showcasing academic dentistry's leading partners and suppliers. For more information, visit www.adea.org/2014.

About The William J. Gies Foundation

The William J. Gies (pronounced *guys*) Foundation was established in 1950 by colleagues and admirers of Dr. Gies with seed funds raised by the American College of Dentists. It was a private foundation and the first U.S. foundation to support dental education and scholarship. In 2002, it joined with the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) to form the ADEAGies Foundation, a public foundation.

Dr. William J. Gies was a Columbia University biochemistry professor interested in dental education, science and clinical applications. In 1926, as part of a series of studies on professional education in the United States funded by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, Dr. Gies published a landmark report that established the importance of dentistry as a healing science and an essential component of higher education in the health professions.