Board Director’s Report
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Here is a glimpse of what ADEA COHAEP has been up to since the last newsletter.

Symposium on Advanced Dental Education Admissions
In October in Oklahoma City, ADEA COHAEP sponsored the Symposium on Advanced Dental Education Admissions; this program was co-sponsored by the Council of Students, Residents and Fellows.

This Symposium presented material to build on the ADEA Future of Advanced Dental Education Admission (FADEA) project and continue discussion of applicant evaluation in response to the elimination of the National Dental Board Examination numerical scores. The main focus was on evaluating students from pass/fail dental schools; seven of the eight pass/fail schools sent a representative to present their process of evaluating students and the philosophy behind the process. Participants were then asked to break into groups and answer the following questions:

1. How can we use what we learned today to more effectively review and evaluate candidates for admission to our advanced education programs?
2. What advantages or disadvantages do students from pass/fail schools have who apply to advanced education programs
   a. from the student perspective?
   b. from the program director perspective?
   c. from an academic dean/student affairs perspective?

The main points of each presenter and post-presentation discussions are posted as part of the proceedings on the ADEA website for program directors to access at their convenience. These points also will be used to frame discussions at future meetings.

There also was a discussion with participants on the ADEA PASS application process. Participants were encouraged to discuss and share ideas on how to improve the application. If any of you have suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact Emily Rhineberger. ADEA is always trying to make the application service more user friendly and current.

ADEA Dental Student Virtual Fair
ADEA COHAEP is co-sponsoring the second ADEA Dental Student Virtual Fair. This year it took place on February 22, 2014. If you are not aware of the virtual fair, it is an opportunity for dental students to investigate post-graduate opportunities including private practice, academic practice and specialty education. Last year, over 600 students participated.

ADEA PASS Update
The ADEA PASS application will open on May 21, 2014 for the 2015 cycle. Applicants and program directors can register for one of two free, live webinars about the application and new features this year at www.adeapass.org. The webinars will be held on May 22 and 28.
ADEA 2014 Annual Session & Exhibition
Call for Nominations
A final reminder! The ADEA COHAEP Administrative Board is soliciting nominations for the Board Director for Hospitals and Advanced Education Programs and Member-at-Large positions. Members of the Council can self-nominate or nominate a fellow Council member. The elections will be held during the ADEA COHAEP business meeting at the 2014 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition in San Antonio, TX in March. This is an outstanding leadership opportunity for Program Directors or Chiefs of Service in CODA-approved advanced dental education programs. Descriptions of both positions and their responsibilities are below.

ADEA Board Director for Hospitals and Advanced Education Programs
The Board Director serves as the representative of ADEA COHAEP on the ADEA Board of Directors, the Association’s Executive Committee. Election to the Board Director position is a three-year commitment at four meetings annually. The Board of Directors has the power to engage in the oversight of the business affairs of the Association.

ADEA COHAEP Member-at-Large
Election to the Member-at-Large position on the Administrative Board is a four-year commitment with attendance at three meetings annually. The ADEA COHAEP Member-at-Large is the first rung of the ascension to become the Chair of the ADEA Council of Hospitals and Advanced Education Programs. The ascension is 1) Member-at-Large, 2) Secretary, 3) Chair-elect and 4) Chair.

The duties of the Member-at-Large include, but are not limited to, the following:
1. Perform duties requested by the Chair.
2. Be available to answer questions posed by members.
3. Disseminate information on specific ADEA COHAEP-sponsored sessions/programs that would be of interest to members.

Nominations should be sent to the ADEA COHAEP Chair-elect Dr. Martin Steed at steedma@musc.edu by March 4, 2014. Please include the nominee’s contact information, current position and description of interest for the position. Candidates for both positions are expected to attend the 2014 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition where they will be asked to speak about their qualifications and interest in the position at the ADEA COHAEP business meeting.

New Member Orientation
Are you attending the ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition in San Antonio? Are you new to ADEA or ADEA COHAEP? Are you confused by the alphabet soup of acronyms used in our organization? Are you confused about the difference between a Council and a Section? Are you wondering if COHAEP is the right place for you, or have you been a member of our Council and want to get more involved?

If you answer yes to any of these questions, join us at our new member orientation on Saturday, March 15 from 2:00 to 2:30 p.m. in Room 006 B at the Convention Center. The ADEA COHAEP Administrative Board and ADEA staff will be there for an informative presentation and to answer your questions.

ADEA COHAEP meetings at the Annual Session
- Saturday, 2:00 p.m. New Member Orientation
- Saturday, 2:30 p.m. Business Meeting
- Tuesday, 1:00 p.m. Caucus

ADEA COHAEP-Sponsored Educational Programming at the Annual Session
- Saturday, 11:00 a.m. The Use of Simulation in Teaching office-Based Medical Emergencies to Dental Students
- Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Outcome Assessment for Program Accreditation in AEGD/GPR Programs: A Workshop
- Monday, 1:30 p.m. Credentialing Faculty: Is it Time?
Membership Matters
ADEA COHAEP membership includes CODA-accredited advanced dental education programs in ADEA-member institutions. All program directors, chiefs of service, residents, fellows and affiliated faculty are welcome to become members of the Council. Membership includes both voting and nonvoting members. Each CODA-accredited program in an ADEA-member institution has a vote in the Council, generally administered by either the program director or chief of service. But, you must “opt-in” to take advantage of the right to vote!

To opt in/activate your membership in COHAEP:
1. Go to http://www.adea.org/COHAEP/.
2. Log in with your user name and password.
3. Select “opt in” from the left hand side bar. *OR*
5. In the upper right corner, click on the arrow next to your name.
6. Click on “My ADEA.”
7. Click on “profile information.”
8. Click on “update sections and SIGs.”
9. Confirm your selections and click on “save.”
10. Review your profile, confirming under “Councils:”
   a. Your membership in COHAEP.
   b. Affirming you want to be on the listserv.
   c. Your role in COHAEP—voting member or guest.
11. Click on “save” and then “confirm.”
12. Click on “Specify your contact preferences.”
13. Make sure you have opted in to COHAEP under “III: Other Listservs” to receive COHAEP information.

Council Strategic Directions
The mission of ADEA COHAEP is to provide a common forum to discuss and move forward on issues related to advanced dental education. There was a shift several years ago when the council name was changed from the Council of Hospitals to the more inclusive current structure. The Council now represents a broader constituency across all areas of advanced dental education. Over the last several years, the ADEA COHAEP Administrative Board has strived to provide programing at the ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition and related meetings to fulfill this mission. The Symposium at the 2013 ADEA Fall Meetings in Oklahoma City on “Evaluating Students from Pass-Fail Schools” was an example of a valuable program available to all advanced dental program faculty.

To preserve ADEA COHAEP’s mission in the future, the Administrative Board is developing strategic directions that are in line with the ADEA Strategic Directions from 2011; these initiatives include Leadership, Teaching and Learning, Research and Service. The Council Administrative Board has started using this framework to mesh the Council’s initiative with directions of the organization.

Strategic Direction 1: Leadership
ADEA—Provide leadership for the future of dental education and serve as the authority on the education of the dental, allied dental and advanced dental workforce.

ADEA COHAEP—Broadcast and advocate for advanced dental education program directors and faculty to participate in ADEA leadership development programs and other opportunities targeted to the needs of new deans, program directors and department chairs. The Council should also identify emerging leaders among the students, residents and fellows, and help prepare this cadre of academic leaders for their new roles.

Strategic Direction 2: Teaching and Learning
ADEA—Provide dental, allied dental and advanced dental educators with the information, knowledge and tools they need to prepare students, residents and fellows for an undiscovered future.
ADEA COHAEP—Provide access to high-quality curricular tools, templates and guidance to support effective teaching and learning specific to the needs of advanced dental education programs.

Strategic Direction 3: Research
ADEA—Promote the importance of research as the foundation of dental education, and of the science and practice of dentistry.

ADEA COHAEP—Produce relevant and timely research on key issues in advanced dental education programs to support informed decision-making by the dental education community and policymakers.

Strategic Direction 4: Service
ADEA—Guide the preparation of the dental, allied dental and advanced dental workforce needed to meet the evolving oral health needs of a diverse society.

ADEA COHAEP—Identify, develop and promote educational pathways that prepare the students for the full spectrum of roles performed by the advanced dental workforce, including academic, research, hospital practice and public health careers.

We will continue the discussion and development of these Strategic Directions at the COHAEP business meeting in San Antonio. If you are attending the meeting please plan on helping the Administration Board plan the future of our Council. We hope to have these Strategic Directions finalized and will distribute them in the next newsletter so programing can be implemented over the next few years to fulfill these directions and keep our Council at the forefront of advanced dental education.

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