Message from the Chair
Dr. Craig Hirschberg

The Administrative Board of the Council of Advanced Education Programs (COAEP) would like to extend greetings to our members and ADEA members interested in joining our council. For those not yet familiar, COAEP welcomes members who are involved with, or have interest in advanced education programs, whether they are located in academic institutions or hospital-based and whether they focus on general dentistry or a dental specialty.

The COAEP Administrative board has continued to meet regularly, although virtually, since we last met live at the ADEA 2019 Fall meeting in Portland, OR. That highly collaborative and productive meeting led to an ambitious agenda for the COAEP Advanced Education Summit, which was to be held at ADEA Fall 2020. The current pandemic forced postponement of that plan (along with so many others). We hope to hold the summit at the next ADEA Fall Meeting, once we have returned to meeting in-person.

COAEP will meet at ADEA 2021 Annual Session & Exhibition, which will be held entirely virtually. Our Business Meeting and Caucus will be condensed into a single meeting held Saturday, March 13, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!

Portland, Fall 2019

So much has happened since our last in-person meeting in Fall 2019. It seems hard to fathom what our world would become and how educators would have to evolve to new learning methodologies and all the issues surrounding COVID-19. Having said that, reflecting on the work from the collaborative meeting and collecting our thoughts will help forge our next summit. The principle of the Fall 2019 meeting embodied creating connection and collaboration with no fail trust.

Imbued in the DNA of COAEP is the collaboration of faculty and freely sharing expertise and best practices across the spectrum of hospital and school-based advanced education programs. The COAEP sessions became a workshop for planning the 5th Advanced Dental Education Summit, with active participation from our members. A framework emerged that reflected the needs of the member audience, quickly followed up with a survey to all program directors and members of COAEP.

Our survey said...

Attempting to reach as wide an audience as possible, we asked our members to rank topics of interest around three key areas: selection of residents, including narrowing the pool of applicants through effective use of WebAdmit; managing residents, from onboarding to difficult conversations around conduct violations; and assessing resident progress, using metrics.
like entrustable professional activities and
delineation of progressive autonomy.

Thanks goes to Ms. Emily Rhineberger, liaison
to ADEA COAEP, and the survey team for
collating all our member input and helping the
Administrative Board distill the data.

COAEP Mission
Our mission is to highlight issues related to the
education of post-graduate dental students and
residents to our members. We aim to provide
representation of all recognized advanced dental
certificate, degree, or specialty programs with
a goal to coordinate discussion, advise policy
change and the significance to postgraduate
dental education to the ADEA Board of
Directors.

We have an active voice on educational issues
which affect the post-graduate education
of dental students and residents on a local,
regional, or national level.

Information for new members
The dynamic field of dental education can be
a challenge for faculty with new appointments
in postgraduate education. Making you aware
of helpful resources is a first step. Connecting
with colleagues in all specialty areas is our focus
and sharing best practices in areas as diverse as
pedagogy and curriculum mapping to managing
residents.

Membership
All program directors, chiefs of service, residents,
fellows, and affiliated faculty are welcome as
members of ADEA COAEP. You have an impact
on dental education as a member by engaging
through ADEA Connect and at the ADEA Annual
and fall sessions.

Nominations for Member-at-Large
Members can self-nominate or nominate a
fellow council member for the Member-at-Large
(MAL) position. The MAL is the first rung of the
ascension to Chair of the Council, having served
your term as Secretary, Chair-elect and ultimately
Chair.

Candidates are expected to attend all council
meetings at the ADEA Annual Session, where
you will be asked to present your interest and
qualifications. A vote will be triggered following
presentations to the membership if more than
one nominee is presented.

Nominations should be sent to Craig Hirschberg,
D.D.S., hirschcs@sdm.rutgers.edu and Emily
Rhineberger, rhinebergere@adea.org prior to the
start of the Annual Session. Please include the
nominee’s contact information, current position
and a short statement of interest.

Meet your elected officers:

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Rutgers, The State University of
New Jersey, School of Dental
Medicine

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The Ohio State University
College of Dentistry
What will COAEP look like post-pandemic? We are all asking ourselves that question about our programs, institutions, not to mention our own lives. As we publish this newsletter, ADEA has announced the difficult decision to make the 2021 Fall Meeting all virtual, so it may be a while yet before we know. Your Administrative Board firmly believes that whether formal, facilitated, casual or completely unstructured, the personal interactions between our members are the most richly fertile ground for information exchange and new ideas. With that in mind, we will once again postpone our planned Program Directors Summit until Fall, 2022. We think the agenda will still be highly relevant – perhaps even more so as we all emerge from Pandemic Mode – but we also have time to consider and develop new topics of interest. What new issue will matter to you in a year?

Tell us what you think and help us make this program stronger—and worthy of the reunion we will have! Email Emily Rhineberger at rhinebergere@adea.org with your suggestions.

On a longer and wider scale, ADEA and COAEP have recognized a unique opportunity within the dental education community. Postgraduate specialty training programs are linked to specialty associations or academies which connect them to their discipline, advocate for their unique interests, promote cohesive educational goals, help shape accreditation requirements, and enhance communication among programs nationwide. Not advanced education programs in general dentistry. They are the most numerous advanced education programs, whose training sets eligibility for licensure in some states, and where the bulk of new graduates who continue training will work, but there is no single entity, organization, or academy that gives those programs a collective voice or serves any of those other purposes.

Is there a role here for ADEA, and COAEP in particular? How might we bring AEGD and GPR programs together more effectively? Tell us what you think! As an independent Council within ADEA, COAEP is well-positioned to give its members, including all these programs, a clear voice. How can we serve this need?

Thanks for being a part of COAEP. We’re looking forward to seeing you as soon as possible and getting back to all that idea exchange!

Make sure you have opted in to be a COAEP member at https://www.adea.org/COAEP/.

In the spotlight: Emily Rhineberger, M.A.

We value the relationship with our COAEP members and colleagues shaping the future of advanced dental education, but as members and officers move through their careers, we rely on the consistency and institutional knowledge from our ADEA liaison, Ms. Emily Rhineberger. Emily is the Senior Director of Application Services and has worked in higher education for fifteen years obtaining her master’s degree from The George Washington University. She leads the application services team, four centralized applications for the dental profession, and national recruitment initiatives.
ADEA COAEP Selected Sessions
Too many sessions on offer? We have suggestions for the sessions we think would benefit our membership. View the full program.

Saturday / March 13, 2021

11:00 a.m. – Noon
I-228 – ADEA House of Delegates Opening Session

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.
I-211 – ADEA Council of Advanced Education Programs (COAEP) Administrative Board Meeting

3:00 – 4:30 p.m.
I-212 – ADEA Council of Advanced Education Programs (COAEP) Business Meeting

4:15 – 5:15 p.m.
I-233 – ADEA Reference Committee on Association Policy Hearing

5:15 – 6:15 p.m.
I-232 – ADEA Reference Committee on Association Administrative Affairs Hearing

Sunday / March 14, 2021

Noon – 1:15 p.m.
I-295 – Sunday Plenary
Speaker: Shankar Vedantam, Science Desk Correspondent for NPR, Author of The Hidden Brain: How our Unconscious Minds Elect Presidents, Control Markets, Wage Wars and Save Our Lives

Noon – 3:00 p.m.
I-310 – Exhibit Hall

2:15 – 3:15 p.m.
SP-101 – Safe to Speak: Fostering a Psychologically Safe Teaching Environment

W-101 – We Hear You: Strategies to Take Control of Work-life Balance

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
I-113 – Update on Graduate Medical Education Payments and Reimbursements

W-100 – WE Create a Culture of Resilience: Overcoming Dental Faculty Burnout

4:45 – 5:45 p.m.
I-106 – How to Promote Your Residency With ADEA PASS

SP-103 – Join the WE: ADEA Introduction for New Dental Educators

SP-100 – Pathway to Promotion for Early Career Faculty: Pearls of Wisdom
Monday / March 15, 2021

11:00 a.m. – Noon
I-225 – ADEA Council of Sections Caucus Meeting
I-231 – ADEA PASS Advisory Group Meeting

Noon – 3:00 p.m.
I-290 - Exhibit Hall

2:15 – 3:15 p.m.
I-108 – The Opioid Epidemic: Learn the Latest Trends and Strategies from U.S. Dental Schools
I-110 – Update on Dental Licensure from the Coalition for Modernizing Dental Licensure
I-109 – Working Together Capitalizing on Intraprofessional Educational Experience Within the Dental Team

4:45 – 5:45 p.m.
P-115 – Rapid Rounds—Improving Faculty Teamwork and Student Outcomes
AC-102 – Writing the Accreditation Self-study: Consider It Handled!

Tuesday / March 16, 2021

Noon – 1:15 p.m.
I-311 – Tuesday Plenary
Speaker: Philip Wang, Co-founder of Wong Fu Productions

1:45 – 2:45 p.m.
SP-104 – Preparing Your Promotion Dossier: Is Your Story Compelling?

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
PA-111 – Special Teams for Special Populations: Enhancing Health Care Outcomes Through Interprofessionalism

4:15 – 5:15 p.m.
A-100 – We Learn Best From Peers: Tackling Peer Evaluation of Teaching

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
I-287 – Closing House of Delegates

Hope to see you online!