

2016-17 COMISSION CHARGES

Name of Commission: **Research and Strategic Initiatives Commission**

2016-17 Commission Members:

David Bunnell, PA-C, Maryland (Chair)	2016-2018
Carol Ennulat, MBA, PA-C, Pennsylvania	2015-2017
Kimberly Mackey, MPAS, PA-C, Texas	2015-2017
Janice Shipe-Spotloe, MS, PA-C, DFAAPA, CPAAPA, Pennsylvania	2015-2017
John Kasel, PA-C, Texas	2016-2018
Liv Hagstrom, MPH, PA-C, California	2016-2018
Lauren Dobbs, MMS, PA-C, Texas (Board Representative)	2016-2017
Daniel Pace, Chief Strategy Officer/VP Education and Research (Staff Advisor)	

RSI Charges:

The commission will:

- Explore the question "Do PAs increase access to care?" by examining available published data, identifying examples of PAs increasing access, determining how they were successful, and looking for gaps in healthcare access to consider how PAs can better meet patients' needs. The commission will socialize its ideas and generate conversation through Huddle and other means in order to spread great ideas and provide questions for further research by the PA academic community.
- Develop research questions and potential methodologies that explore the relationship between different approaches to recertification, competency and quality of care, providing direction to the research community with the goal of facilitating expansion of available evidence.
- Support the Board Task Force on Full Practice Authority as required.
- Support AAPA Research and the FY17 Operating Plan by providing ad hoc feedback on survey development, refining research questions, and evaluating external requests for research support as required.
- Consider different ways AAPA can support the PA research community with access to PAs or AAPA research data and propose an optimal support model that minimizes survey fatigue and is ethical in the handling of PA data.
- Review and provide comments on AAPA policies as required.
- Collaborate with other commissions, organizations and staff, as needed, to ensure complimentary cross-organization strategy, research and planning processes.