

**Task Force on Veterans in PA Programs  
REPORT TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
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Commission Charge/Resolution Language	Status/Outcome
<p><b>2019-C-04</b> The House of Delegates recommends that AAPA partner with PAEA and other appropriate stakeholders in the development of a joint task force to undertake research, identify policy solutions, and develop practical approaches regarding the recruitment and matriculation of veterans into PA school.</p>	<p>The work on this charge is ongoing.</p> <p>AAPA established a task force comprised of PAs including AAPA members, a representative from PAEA, a member of the Society of Army PAs and the resolution authors.</p> <p>A survey was sent to members of the Veteran’s Caucus, the Society for Army PAs, the Society of Air Force PAs, the Naval Association of PAs, and the Coast Guard Association of PAs in April. The results of this survey will guide the continuing work of the task force regarding what veterans need to apply and succeed in PA school, and recommendations on making veterans aware of the PA profession. Relevant results from the survey will also be included on the Veterans Resource page.</p>
<p><b>2019-C-05</b> The House of Delegates recommends that AAPA create a central resource for veterans; the purpose being to recruit veterans to the PA profession and to provide information that will assist them through the process of applying to PA school.</p>	<p>The work on this charge is ongoing.</p> <p>The task force created an outline for a new web page that would live on the AAPA website, which would list resources for veterans, PA programs that are seeking veterans or have benefits for veterans, resources for PA programs, and why the PA profession is ideal choice for veterans seeking a medical career following their military career.</p> <p>Each task force member is assigned to one section to gather information and create a draft for the web page. The task force and staff advisor will then work with the AAPA web team to ensure that veterans seeking a career in medicine will find this resource page.</p> <p>A short survey was sent to all PA program directors in January, asking them to identify scholarships/assistance for veterans enrolled in the PA program, if the program actively recruits veterans, and if the program supports veterans after they have graduated from the program.</p>

	Data and results from this survey will be made available on the Veterans Resource page.
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