



Speaker's Update

October 1, 2021

Dear Delegates,

This leadership year is starting off with some very exciting work in the HOD. The HP/HX Harmonization Task Force will be looking at how we communicate our internal and external policy, eliminate redundancy, and create a format for how we grow our policy manual in a cohesive way. I am very grateful for the work that these experienced volunteers will accomplish. You should expect to see recommendations and resolutions from this task force in the HOD. The newly created Clinical Ratios Task Force (see details below) is very exciting and will finally tackle the age-old questions around how we form effective teams to deliver care to our patients. The volunteers on this task force bring an enormous amount of experience and insights. I am eager to see what they develop.

Please ensure that you have completed your COI and that your COs are in compliance so that we can seat all delegates in the upcoming HOD. Please also consider donations to the PA Foundation and the PA PAC. Their work is critical in supporting our communities and giving PAs a voice on Capitol Hill.

Some of you are starting to experience the joys of fall. For those of us in the south we have to wait until sometime in October/November. Enjoy all things pumpkin spice!

Disclosure & Conflict of Interest (COI) Form Needed

Each leadership year, all Delegates are required to complete a disclosure/COI form as a part of the credentialing process. The form has been updated to allow submission of a single form for those of you who hold more than one leadership position with AAPA. **You are encouraged to create a login to this form so that you can simply log back in to make any necessary updates throughout this leadership year.** You never know when business may come before the HOD and your delegation needs to ready. Submit your form TODAY!

- [Introductory Video about Disclosures and COIs](#) (1 minute)
- [Disclosure & COI Policies and Procedures](#)
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- [Disclosure and COI Form](#)

Recent HOD Appointments

The House Officers have appointed a task force to fulfill resolution D-03 (see language below) passed at the 2021 HOD.

2021-D-03

The HOD encourages the AAPA to form a task force to review practices impacting how physicians, PAs and NPs work together in teams with the goal of creating best practice recommendations that inform how teams can be formed efficiently to meet the needs of patients and optimize practice.

On behalf of the House Officers, I would like to express my appreciation to the following volunteers who have agreed to serve on the Clinical Ratios Task Force.

- Toby Brower, PA-C, DFAAPA, Indiana
- Eric Buchl, PA-C, Texas
- Lauren Davey, PA-C, Pennsylvania
- Alisha DeTroye, MMS, PA-C, DFAAPA, North Carolina
- Heather Hylton, PA-C, DFAAPA, New York
- Wayne Mathews, PA-C, DFAAPA, Nebraska
- Angie McIntosh, PA-C, Texas
- Josanne Pagel, MPAS, PA-C, M.Div., DFAAPA, Ohio
- Tammi Pavey, PA-C, Georgia
- Scott Sherry, PA-C, Oregon

The House Officers have also appointed this year's Sergeant-at-Arms – Jessica Filangeri, PA, from New York.

Constituent Organization Officers & Delegates: HOD Compliance

Please remember to submit your updated Officer and Delegate list ASAP if you have not already done so. To check your organization's compliance status, visit the compliance webpage which can be accessed on the [HOD landing page](#). This page allows you to confirm that your CO's core officers are current AAPA fellow members and that your CO is in compliance and eligible to have representation in the HOD this leadership year. Per AAPA policy, for compliance purposes, core officers are president, president-elect, vice president, secretary, treasurer, or secretary/treasurer.

If no officers or delegates are listed, a [CO Annual Update Form](#) has not been received for this leadership year and, therefore, your organization is not in compliance. Please forward the form link to the appropriate contact in your CO for immediate action. AAPA member login information is needed to view the compliance webpage.

Delegates can also confirm their membership status on the compliance page to ensure it is current. While conforming your membership status, please also take the time to log in to your

account to ensure the information in your record is accurate (preferred email, phone number, etc.).

Confirming your organization is in compliance and memberships are current now is critical to ensuring delegates are able to participate in any HOD business that may arise between now and the May 2022 HOD.

Call for HOD Volunteers

Are you interested in becoming more involved in the HOD? If so, please visit the [HOD Volunteer page](#) to learn about volunteer needs in the HOD. Submit your interest for any or all of the positions below:

- Reference Committees – Chair, Member, or Secretary
- Credentialing Committee – Member
- Elections Committee – Member
- Tellers
- New Delegate Mentors

Support the PA Foundation

Each year the PA Foundation produces a souvenir coin to commemorate the AAPA conference – and this year’s is particularly unique, marking AAPA’s first-ever virtual conference. [Make your contribution of \\$100 \(or more\)](#) and complete your collection of souvenir conference coins. Or purchase your first coin and join in our annual tradition! Your donation supports the PA Foundation’s work to provide opportunities for PAs to use their clinical expertise for good in their communities.



PA PAC Needs Your Support

HOD Delegates have been a critical source of funding for the PA PAC impacting the PAC’s ability to support our champions in Congress and the PA voice on Capitol Hill. [Please consider a gift to PA PAC today](#); the stakes are simply too high to sit on the sidelines.

HOD Meeting Dates

The HOD will begin the day before the 2022 AAPA Annual Conference. HOD 2022 will be held in Indianapolis, IN Friday, May 20 – Sunday, May 22.

HOD Resolutions

The earlier you submit resolutions for the 2022 HOD, the more time the House Officers have to ensure the resolution is in order and is placed on the HOD meeting agenda. As a reminder, resolutions can: (a) amend current AAPA policy; (b) fill a policy gap on a particular topic; or, (c) introduce a new policy on an issue which is relevant and important to the profession. Please refer

to the updated guidelines for submitting [resolutions](#) and/or [policy papers](#). HOD 2022 Resolution submission deadlines are:

- **Bylaws Resolutions – February 19, 2022**
- **Non-Bylaws Resolutions – March 21, 2022**

Five-Year Policy Review

The House Officers have identified the policies last acted on in 2017 and made assignments for the five-year policy review. You can view the policies and assignments [here](#). These policies will be on the 2022 HOD agenda for delegate consideration and action.

Note – some specialty organizations and caucuses were identified as groups to collaborate with once the main group assigned to review a particular policy begins their work. If your CO is listed, there is no action to take at this time. Stay tuned for communication from the main group receiving the assignment once they are ready to seek your feedback.

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Thank you for all you do for the profession and for the Academy.

Best,



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