



Speaker's Update

October 29, 2021

Dear Delegates,

The House Officers and Governance Staff are working diligently to prepare for the HOD in Indianapolis May 20-22, 2022. We continue to make appointments for this leadership year and are grateful to all our fantastic volunteers. There are still opportunities to volunteer for the HOD, so please consider needs mentioned later in this letter. I know it's been a while since we have been together in person, but our live HOD relies on a large group of volunteers to run smoothly. I hope that you and your families are well, and I look forward to seeing you in May.

Disclosure & Conflict of Interest (COI)

Each new leadership year (July 1 – June 30), 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. To ensure your delegation is in compliance and prepared for any business that may come before the HOD, please submit your form TODAY!

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

Recent HOD Appointments

On behalf of the House Officers, I would like to express my appreciation to the following volunteers who have agreed to serve on the Standing Rules Committee.

- Chair: Rachel Weinzimmer, MS, PA-C, CAQ-EM, CPAAPA, Colorado
- Catherine Dam, PA-C, California
- Brendan Lucas, PA-C, Tennessee
- Melinda Rawcliffe, PA-C, Arizona
- Greg Selasky, PA-C, West Virginia
- Kimberly Sapre, DMSc, PA-C, CAQ-EM, Virginia
- Student Member: Amelia Maurer, Quinnipiac University
- Sergeant-at-Arms: Jessica Filangeri, PA, New York

The House Officers have also appointed this year's Parliamentarian – David Jackson, DHSc, PA-C, PRP, DFAAPA from New York.

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

AAPA Special Election

AAPA is currently conducting a special election to fill a vacancy in the president-elect position on AAPA's Board of Directors. View the [elections webpage](#) for candidate information and more. Eligible voters are current AAPA Fellows as of October 14. Voting opened today and will close at 5:00 pm ET on November 8. Eligible voters should have received an email this morning with their unique ballot information. Contact AAPAElections@aapa.org if you did not receive your email or have issues casting your vote.

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 confirming 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.

HOD & AAPA 2022 Registration and Housing

You should have received an email from Tom Shoemaker (tshoemaker@aapa.org) on October 21 about registration and housing opening for AAPA 2022 and the HOD meeting being held in Indianapolis, IN. The HOD will meet from Friday, May 20 – Sunday, May 22. AAPA 2022 will be held May 21-25. Contact Tom if you did not receive this information and promo code(s) to register.

If you have not yet registered, you will first need to select full conference registration to begin the registration process even if you will only attend the HOD meeting. Once you enter the applicable promo code and get to the payment screen, you should see the price change to the correct amount. If you have any issues with registering, please reach out to [Mairi Gardner](#) in AAPA's Meetings Department.

Even if you are only able to attend the HOD meeting, all delegates are invited to attend the conference General Session on Saturday, May 21 at 4:00 p.m. at the Indiana Convention Center, and the Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall directly following the General Session. The HOD will conclude its business for the day to allow attendance at these events.

Some of you have asked if there will be a virtual component/option for the 2022 HOD meeting. At this time, we are only planning for an in-person meeting.

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. HOD 2022 Resolution submission deadlines are:

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

AAPA's Annual Membership Meeting

Mark your calendar to attend the virtual annual membership meeting on December 15 at 8:00 pm ET. Stay tuned for more information about this meeting.

Are You a PA Leader?

The [Executive Leadership Conference](#) (ELC) was designed just for you! [Register](#) to virtually attend this highly acclaimed conference November 16-18. The unique blend of sessions will challenge you to enhance your leadership skills and competencies, lead through crisis, improve PA and NP revenue generation for your organization, and discover new ideas that could transform healthcare. This event has been approved for up to 22 Category I CME credits.

AAPA's Leadership and Advocacy Summit (LAS) Update

LAS will not be held in the spring of 2022 and has been postponed until September 29 – October 1, 2022. Stay tuned for more information on registering for this event when we get closer to the meeting.

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- [Delegate Change Form](#)
- [CO Annual Update Form](#) (if submitting Officers & Delegates)
- [2021-22 \(Indianapolis\) Apportionment](#)
- [2021-22 AAPA Policy Manual](#)
- [Current policies being reviewed for 2022 HOD](#)
- [Resolution Guidelines](#)
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- [2020 Summary of Actions](#)
- [2020 HOD Category II CME Certificate](#)
- [HOD Home Page](#) or www.aapa.org/hod

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

Best,



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