

AAPSM Continues to Seek Member Involvement on Committees

While adjusting to your new normal and you notice you may have some downtime during this pandemic - the AAPSM is in search of members who would like to become active and serve on a current AAPSM committee. Listed below are the various committees. Please review this list and get back to Executive Director Rita Yates at ritayates2@aol.com if you see any committee that interests you. Rita will put you directly in touch with the chairman of that committee. We encourage involvement from all members – including students, residents, associates, fellows and our life/senior members! Plans are underway and we are moving forward with our newly formed Young Member Mentor Program (YMMP) where the AAPSM plans to match students with AAPSM Members – a win win!!

AAPSM Committee List

I. Education:

- **Podiatric Sports Medicine Fellowships:**
 - Review, revision and updating of existing guidelines.
 - Review applications for new programs, certify new programs, and monitor existing programs.
- **Fellowship exam update**
 - Develop a pool of exam questions to interchange within the current exam.
 - Questions to be reviewed on an annual basis
- **Clinical pearls:**
 - Submissions to be solicited and forwarded to the newsletter editor for final review and publication.
- **Meetings:**
 - Coordinate all AAPSM involvement with APMA or any other strategic partner for meeting involvement; work with chair to select panel of speakers and topics for stand-alone meeting; work with executive director to promote attendance of AAPSM at stand-alone meeting

II. Professional Relations:

- **Liaisons:**
 - Maintain presence of AAPSM at various meetings (NATA, ACSM, TRE, SAM, etc.) –
 - Work with seminar chair to provide speakers;
 - Oversee nominations and selection of AAPSM Athletic Trainer of the Year Award presented at NATA Annual Meeting;
 - Maintain Academy presence within outside organizations (such as special Olympics, etc)
- **Marketing and Special Events:**
 - Stand Alone planning and implementation,
 - Social media, publish and dispense printed educational materials on various popular sport issues; media-coordinate with APMA
 - All media inquiries on topics related to sports medicine;
 - Evaluate and/or create items to be used to distribute to interested parties which promote the Academy

III. Membership Support:

- **Credentialing:**
 - Oversee/Review New Fellowship applications
 - Conduct oral fellowship exam and appoint new fellows
 - Ascertaining membership compliance amongst current fellows
- **Website/Social Media:**
 - Monitor and implement continuous improvement on the website,
 - Coordinate with various committees for updates to be posted on members only site;
 - Social Media (twitter, Facebook)
 - Answer questions from consumers/members that are forwarded through the website
- **Past Presidents:**
 - Maintain a complete history of Academy;
 - Help coordinating social events honoring past presidents at annual stand alone
- **Nominating and Awards**
 - Solicit /Review nominees for AAPSM scholarships and awards including Barnes/Olson Scholarship, Schuster/Golden Foot/Distinguished Service/Presidents/Outstanding Service
- **Shoes/Footwear:**
 - Evaluate guidelines, provide criteria for shoe review
 - establish relationships with footwear companies to develop corporate sponsorship support of the AAPSM
- **Develop a rotation of school visits**
 - Coordinate “Day of Sports Medicine” with Student Chapter presidents.
 - Maintain liaison with student chapters at all colleges
 - Encourage and promote continuous membership drive of students

IV. Research

- **Research/Grant Proposals:**
 - Review and upgrade as necessary the “guidelines for research” document as necessary
 - Promote and market AAPSM research program to be undertaken by interested researchers;
 - Provide assistance to new researchers in the preparation and completion of research application requirements
 - Review proposals and provide recommendation to executive board of AAPSM for grant approval
- **Journal Review:**
 - Assemble group of reviewers who are assigned specific journals to review continuously over a one year period.
 - Review submissions, edit submissions and submit to newsletter editor for final review and publication.

- **Publications:**

- Encourage the development and submission of articles in the following publications: JAPMA/JFAS-sports medicine theme; Industry publications: Podiatry Management, Podiatry Today; Present residency program (internet residency program); School/student publications

V. Bylaws

- **ByLaws:**

- Periodic review of the AAPSM bylaws and strategic plan.
- Coordinate review of existing bylaws and send out necessary surveys to update/charge current bylaws.

VI. Finance

- Review annual sponsorship levels and discuss possible discounts, etc. for sponsorship renewals
- Sponsors liaison
- Review/ Approve annual finances/budget
- Approve distribution of grant funding, scholarship funding, etc.