Highlights from the 2013 Student Leadership Track











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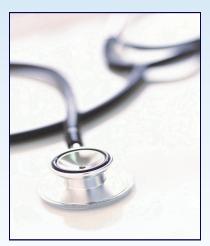
Academy of

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Presents

The 2014 Student Leadership Track:
Beyond the Classroom and
Preparing for Your Future

Sunday, April 6th, 2014
Mystic Marriott, Groton, CT







Welcome Students!



ConnAPA is excited to invite you to the 3rd Annual Student Leadership Track (SLT) at the Charter Oak Conference. The SLT is a one-day program held during our annual Charter Oak Conference designed to give students of graduate PA Programs the opportunity to learn about PA life outside of the classroom. In years past, we've had up to 150 students attend from the Yale, Quinnipiac, and the University of Bridgeport. This year, we are looking to extend the program to include students from several other Northeast PA Programs as well. We are also increasing the scope of our lecture programming to include topics relevant to both 1st and 2nd year PA students.

Last year's reviews from students were excellent, with most finding the program extremely beneficial in furthering their educational and professional careers. On the

adjacent page, you'll find an agenda outlining planned lecture topics, which will be presented by certified Physician Assistants from the state and national level.

Among the list is a newly minted workshop that will cover an important and emerging field of medicine in which PAs are leading the charge: Oral Health. During this exciting interactive session, Patrick Killeen PA-C and Cindy Lord PA-C, both past presidents of AAPA, will teach, demonstrate, and practice placing fluoride varnishes on one another. This workshop will provide you with valuable resources to take back to your program, practice and community, and to help increase awareness of good Oral Health.

At the conclusion of the workshop, we'll transition to the roundtable portion of the day which will feature 10 working PAs in varying specialties from Emergency Medicine to Pediatrics, Surgery to Primary Care, OB/Gyn to Dermatology, and even Interventional Radiology. During these open forum town hall-style discussions, you'll get the full picture of what the life of a PA in each specialty is like, and get the answers to any burning questions you may have.

After a day full of lectures, workshops, and roundtable discussions, it all comes to a head at an entertaining, educational and competitive hour of trivia. The Annual *ConnAPA Challenge Bowl* will commence at 5 p.m. providing students from each represented PA program an opportunity to participate in an AAPA-style event. We encourage each school to pull together a team (usually the one they are sending to the *AAPA Challenge Bowl*) to battle it out for the rights to the "Challenge Bowl Cup." This provides your Challenge Bowl team the opportunity to practice for the big event, and for your classmates to show off their school spirit.

After the "Challenge Bowl Cup" has been awarded, there will be plenty of time for mingling and networking with area professionals at the SLT Reception along where selection of light fare and a cash bar will also be available.

ConnAPA and the SLT planning committee look forward to welcoming you to this unique out-of-the-classroom experience, which promises to be the perfect blend of fun, learning and professional advancement.

See you there!

Andrew Turczak MHS, PA-C ConnAPA, President 2014 Student Leadership Track, Chairman Jason Prevelige, MHS, PA-C ConnAPA, Vice President 2014 Charter Oak Conference, Chairman

Student Leadership Track Program

8:00 AM Registration and Continental Breakfast

First Year Student Track Schedule

9:00 - 9:30 AM

• How to Study During Clinicals Presented by Cindy Lord, PA-C

9:30 - 10:00 AM

A Preceptor's View on What a Student Should Expect During Clinicals
 Presented by Justin Champagne, PA-C

10:00 -10:30 AM

Becoming A PA Leader - How to Get Involved with Your State and National Organizations
 Presented by Patrick Killeen, PA-C

Second Year Student Track Schedule

9:00 - 9:30 AM

• How to Prepare for PANCE

Presented by Bill Kohlhepp, DHSc, PA-C

9:30 -10:00 AM

• How to Prepare for Licensing
Presented by Jonathan Weber, PA-C

10:00 - 10:30 AM

How to Prepare for Your First Job Presented by Sarah Clark, PA-C

Combined Track Schedule

10:45 -11:15 AM

• The Business of Medicine: What Students Need to Know NOW and Why they Need to Know it (Hint: It's about the Benjamins)

Presented by Tricia Marriott, PA-C

11:15-11:45 AM

• Personal Finances 101 for the New Grad Presented by Thomas Brown

11:45 AM Lunch

12:15 - 1:00 PM

 How to Land Your Dream Job: Resume and Interviewing Do's and Don't's Presented by Judy Nunes, PA-C, John McNab, PA-C, Maryann Mecca, PA-C and Joseph Kaplowe, PA-C

1:00 - 2:30 PM

Oral Health Workshop
 Presented by Girdy Land, BA C.

Presented by Cindy Lord, PA-C and Patrick Killeen, PA-C

2:30 - 4:45 PM Roundtable Discussions 5:00 - 6:00 PM Medical Challenge Bowl 6:00 - 8:00 PM Reception