

# 2013 Annual Report





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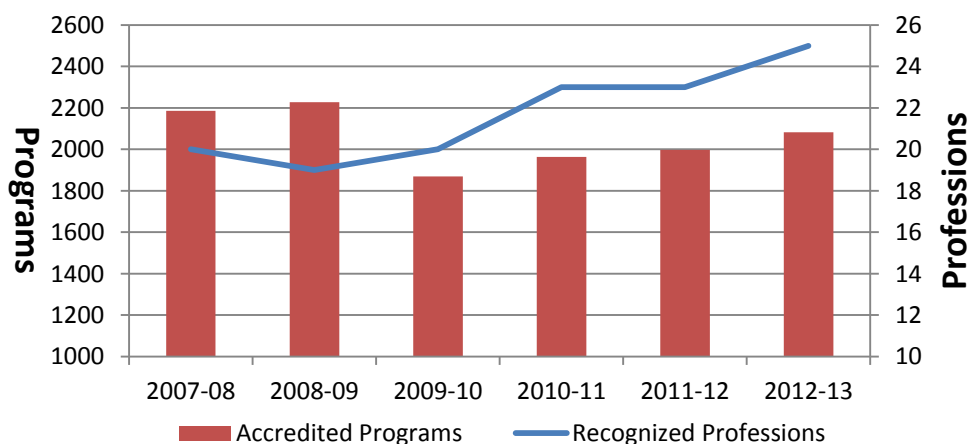
## President's Message

CAAHEP is unique among programmatic accreditors in that it serves multiple professions of various sizes and different academic levels. Since it was created to take over accreditation of allied health education programs from the American Medical Association's Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation, the number of professions affiliated with CAAHEP has fluctuated. Professions such as Physician Assistant and Athletic Trainer were once affiliated with CAAHEP but have established their own independent accrediting agencies. Each of these professions represented a large number of programs migrating out of the system thus creating concern about CAAHEP's fiscal viability. Growth of remaining professions and recognition of new professions seeking the accreditation experience and prestige of CAAHEP have always sustained the vitality of CAAHEP. Most recently, Respiratory Care felt their profession would be best served by forming their own accreditation commission and independently seeking recognition from the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. On the cusp of economic downturn and with looming uncertainty about the future of healthcare, 400 Respiratory Care programs transitioned out of the CAAHEP system in November 2008, leaving only 1828 accredited programs in 19 professions. Since that time, as shown in the figure below, the number of CAAHEP recognized professions has increased to 25 and the number of accredited programs has increased steadily to almost 2100 at the end of the 2012-13 fiscal year. With the perspective of sustained growth in a challenging environment, CAAHEP has had another successful year.



Cameron Harris, RPSGT  
CAAHEP President

**Variation of Programs Accredited and Professions Recognized by CAAHEP**



Financially, CAAHEP is strong. The Audit Committee drafted a reserve policy to insure resilience against future fiscal challenges and has reviewed our investment policy to protect reserves and optimize operational funding.

Some steps were also taken to improve cost efficient operations. In particular, CAAHEP successfully piloted a web based meeting of the Commission to approve recognition of a new profession. This method of conducting business will prove useful for matters requiring action by the Commission between annual meetings.

CAAHEP continues to offer useful services and opportunities to the CoA's, their members, and staff. Subscriptions to Go-To-Meeting and Survey Monkey are maintained for CoAs to use at their discretion and we are continually developing and supporting a system of on-line accreditation forms and reports. Another popular resource has been the webinar series which draws hundreds of live participants and is also archived on the CAAHEP website for asynchronous review.

Also worthy of note are the recipients of the awards presented at the 2013 CAAHEP annual meeting. LaCheeta McPherson, Ph.D., MLS (ASCP) received the Exceptional Service Award for her many contributions to the organization including two terms as president. The staff and volunteer members of the CoAEMSP were recognized with a Presidential Citation for the effective and efficient way that they handled the surge of programs seeking accreditation resulting from their professions action requiring completion of a CAAHEP accredited program as a qualification for certification. Congratulations and thanks to all.

## Financial Summary

The financial picture for FY 2012-13 was much improved from the previous year. Our investment portfolio did better and we controlled expenses so that we ended the year in positive territory. The Board of Directors also approved a new policy for the establishment of a “Board Designated Operating Reserve Fund.”

This policy requires that we set aside the equivalent of 12-15 months of operating expenses to be “tapped” only in the event of an emergency. This will help to assure a sound financial base for CAAHEP as we move forward.



*Calvin Harris, EdD  
CAAHEP Treasurer*

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the year ending June 30, 2013 (compared to June 30, 2012)

<b>Revenue:</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
Membership Fees	\$784,550	\$774,250
Other Revenue	57,514	66,229
Net Gain on Investment	103	13451
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$842,167</b>	<b>\$853,930</b>
Unrealized Gain on Investments	\$118,782	--
Total Revenue and Unrealized Gains	\$960,949	\$853,930
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Personnel, Consulting and Professional Services	\$490,078	\$489,540
Meetings and Travel	246,119	304,889
Office Expenses	47,968	67,816
Publications, Dues, Subscriptions	13,335	13,651
Depreciation	8,261	9,125
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$805,761</b>	<b>\$885,021</b>
Unrealized Losses	--	\$34,755
Total Expenses & Unrealized Losses	\$805,761	\$919,776
Change in Net Assets	\$155,188	(\$65,846)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	\$1,864,402	\$1,930,248
<b>Net Assets, End of Year</b>	<b>\$2,019,590</b>	<b>\$1,864,402</b>



**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**JUNE 20, 2013 AND 2012**  
**(with comparative financial information for June 30, 2013)**

<b>ASSETS:</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 348,196	\$ 405,739
Prepaid Expenses	26,363	37,717
Accrued Investment Receivable		1,221
Total Current Assets	<u>374,559</u>	<u>444,677</u>
Investments	1,723,185	1,500,298
Fixed Assets, Net	271,813	280,074
Total Assets	<u>\$2,369,557</u>	<u>\$2,225,049</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts Payable & Accrued Liabilities	\$ 12,322	\$ 11,466
Accrued Annual Leave	4,270	2,076
Deferred Income	333,375	347,105
Total Current Liabilities	<u>349,967</u>	<u>360,647</u>
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	2,019,590	1,864,402
Total Net Assets	<u>2,019,590</u>	<u>1,864,402</u>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Net Assets</b>	<u><b>\$ 2,369,557</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 2,225,049</b></u>

## Year in Review

Many operations and procedures were reviewed and amended this year to improve the CAAHEP accreditation process, while numerous other new innovations were implemented. Included among the innovations was CAAHEP's first online Commission Special Meeting. This meeting was conducted specifically for determination of a new profession's eligibility to participate in accreditation by CAAHEP. Representatives of the group, defining themselves as Clinical Research Professionals, participated in an interactive session that allowed them to answer questions from Commissioners about the nature and educational requirements of their profession. Commissioners were able to discuss the motion interactively and voting was accomplished via an electronic poll. The positive outcome of the vote was displayed for all participants to see. This proved to be a very efficient manner for conducting the business of CAAHEP.

### Accreditation Achievements and Process Enhancements

One of the most progressive changes made to the accreditation process this year was the creation of a Recommendation Review Committee. The Recommendation Review Committee, consisting of five Board members plus staff, reviews the accreditation recommendations of our Committees on Accreditation, collects any questions on the actions posed by all Board members, asks questions regarding the accreditation actions of the CoAs, and then presents the actions to the full Board at each meeting. This streamlining of the accreditation process allows the Committee to analyze trends, recognize inconsistencies with policies, and become familiar with the inner workings of each of our Committees on Accreditation. The Recommendation Review Committee's processes and procedures were developed in January, and the first accreditation review by the new committee was conducted in March 2013. This pilot program will run through July 2014, when the Recommendation Review Committee will make its report on the pilot to the Board. Members who volunteered to serve on that committee are: Chair Kalyani Naik, Kerry Weinberg, Pauletta Brown Bracy, Katie Lukovich, and Carolyn O'Daniel. Theresa Sisneros served as the staff member on this Committee.

Many of CAAHEP's policies and procedures were reviewed and edited over the year, including:

- clarification of the role and nominating process of the Public Member Representative Commissioners.
- creation of a CAAHEP reserves policy.
- clarification of the policy on how the approval of Appendix B-only changes to Standards is managed.
- defining of term limits and qualifications of the CAAHEP liaisons.
- fine-tuning of the CAAHEP reimbursement policy to include a deadline for submitting receipts.
- creation of a formalized policy on the selection of Board Officers.

### Committee on Accreditation Relations

The Board took action on several items to enhance the support of our Committees on Accreditation. A scholarship fund for CoA staff to attend the annual Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors was established. This scholarship was utilized by five CoAs this year. Also, CAAHEP continued to offer a subscription to Go to Meetings / Go to Webinars to assist our CoAs in reducing the cost of conducting face to face meetings. This service is being used by eight of the 19 CoAs. Provided new this year was a separate subscription to the Survey Monkey software for CoAs' use in conducting the routine surveys associated with accreditation.

An expanded role for CAAHEP's Accreditation Services staff member allowed Theresa Sisneros to provide one-on-one guidance to several Committees on Accreditation as they worked through a variety of projects from creating policies and forms, to managing an influx of initial accreditation submissions, to working with the annual reporting tool.

Many of our CoAs indicated the need for assistance in marketing the importance of accreditation to programs, professional organizations, sponsors, and students. This year, CAAHEP developed a brochure and offered a supply of the printed brochure to each of our CoAs. In addition, an editable version of the brochure was made available to CoAs wanting to personalize the brochure with information about their specific profession and/or CoA.



### Annual Meeting

The 2013 CAAHEP Annual Meeting was held in Charleston, South Carolina, in April with a theme of "Charleston: Using the Past to Shape the Future." The keynote speaker was Ralph M. Shealy, MD, FACEP, FAAEM, Chief Medical Officer of Southeastern Medical International, Inc. Dr. Shealy shared his vast experience in dealing with the aftermath of disasters, including his personal experience in the early days following Katrina, and how in the wake of such disasters allied health personnel are utilized in areas outside of their normal professional roles.

Other Annual Meeting presentations included:

- A discussion on a report on the efforts to validate certification programs by Dr. Roy Swift, Senior Program Director, Personnel Credentialing Accreditation Programs, from the American National Standards Institute.
- Spotlights on Professions featured Cardiovascular Technology, Specialist in Blood Banking Technology, and CAAHEP's newest profession, Clinical Research Professionals.
- Spotlights on Sponsoring Organizations showcased the American Society of Echocardiography, the Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography, and the Society for Vascular Ultrasound.
- An introduction and update on the activities of the Health Professionals Pathways Project (H2P) presented by Project Director Marianne Krismer.



- The Importance of Accreditation to Employers presented by CAAHEP Past Presidents Sondra Flemming and M. LaCheeta McPherson, with special guest Don Lundy, Chief of the Charleston County EMS and President of the National Association of EMTs.

A new addition to the Annual Meeting line up were round-table discussions for program directors and deans of accredited programs with staff and volunteer leaders of three of CAAHEP's larger Committees on Accreditation – Medical Assisting, Surgical Technology, and Diagnostic Medical Sonography. These round-tables provided an opportunity for programs to ask direct questions to the CoA leadership on the accreditation process.



### CAAHEP Award for Exceptional Service

During the Annual Meeting of Commissioners in Charleston, South Carolina, CAAHEP presented its Exceptional Service Award to **M. LaCheeta McPherson PhD, MLS(ASCP)cm**. Dr. McPherson is a Past President of CAAHEP, and served as a Commissioner for the National Network of Health Career Programs in Two-Year Colleges from 2004 through 2012. She is the Executive Dean, Health & Legal Studies, at El Centro College in Dallas, Texas.



Carolyn O'Daniel, Award Nominator,  
M. LaCheeta McPherson, and  
Cameron Harris, CAAHEP President

The CAAHEP Exceptional Service Award recognizes an individual who advances CAAHEP's mission and goals, assumes leadership responsibilities within CAAHEP, exhibits notable participation in one or more CAAHEP activities or programs, and advances ideas or new strategies to benefit the organization. Dr. McPherson's commitment to and involvement in CAAHEP epitomizes these principles.

Dr. McPherson served two terms on the CAAHEP Board, and served as Vice President in 2007-2008 and as President 2009-2011. Over the 6 years that she served on the CAAHEP Board, she also served on numerous committees and task forces, and chaired the Performance Oversight Committee. Dr. McPherson is currently the Board Liaison to the National Commission on Orthotic and Prosthetic Education (NCOPE).

Carolyn O'Daniel, CAAHEP Board Member and principal nominator of the award, said, "LaCheeta McPherson exemplifies the kind of selfless service and strong advocacy for high quality programmatic accreditation that defines true leadership in accreditation. Her many years of service to CAAHEP on committees, on the Board, and working with the Committees on Accreditation, included advancing CAAHEP's mission and goals through serving as an outstanding President and effectively representing CAAHEP to multiple national organizations and agencies."

CAAHEP President Cameron Harris said, "The dedication and service LaCheeta McPherson has given to CAAHEP to further its mission is tremendous. She has proven time and again that she has the wherewithal to move CAAHEP forward and lead our volunteers to great accomplishments during her tenure as a Commissioner and Board member. LaCheeta epitomizes the true meaning of the CAAHEP Exceptional Service Award."

### CAAHEP Presidential Citation

A special recognition was bestowed on the Committee on Accreditation of Education Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP) during CAAHEP's Annual Meeting. The CoAEMSP made historic efforts this past year to meet the mandate from their communities of interest to provide a single pathway for educational accreditation. Faced with an influx of programs seeking accreditation to meet the deadline for this new requirement, the CoAEMSP showed great ingenuity and determination to accommodate the public interest and the needs of their profession while maintaining the standard of quality required by CAAHEP. The mission of CAAHEP is "to assure quality health professions education to serve the public." The efforts put forth by CoAEMSP and the result of that effort support this mission. Therefore the CoAEMSP was recognized for their efforts with a CAAHEP President's Citation. Traditionally presented to an individual, this is the first time a President's Citation has been awarded to a team.



The CoAEMSP Volunteers and Staff

### CAAHEP Standards

The CAAHEP Standards Committee worked with seven Committees on Accreditation as they reviewed the Standards of their professions, including the Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography, Cytotechnology, Intraoperative Neurophysiologic Monitoring, Kinesiotherapy, Medical Illustrator, Personal Fitness Trainer, Surgical Technology, and Specialist in Blood Banking Technology. This work culminated in three open hearings being conducted and four sets of Standards being approved by the CAAHEP Board in this fiscal year:

- Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography
- Intraoperative Neurophysiologic Monitoring
- Kinesiotherapy
- Personal Fitness Trainer

### Webinars to Assist Programs

The CAAHEP webinar series continued this fiscal year with several offerings geared to assist CAAHEP accredited programs. CAAHEP reached beyond the traditional "seated meeting" format by offering two webinars to an audience coast to coast. In early October, nearly 400 people registered for "Advisory Committees: Meeting Expectations and Beyond" led by Joseph Long, EdD, CST/FAST. A second webinar was held in mid-October, and more than 150 people participated in the session "Effective Inter-

professional Faculty Development," conducted by Dr. Cecilia Rokusek. Both webinars received outstanding reviews and are prime examples of the ability to disseminate valuable information with no travel expense and little interruption of the participant's daily schedule. To enhance the value of these sessions, they and other previously recorded CAAHEP webinars were posted to the CAAHEP website.

### CAAHEP Communications

CAAHEP continues to distribute all of the accreditation award letters to institutions electronically. This change in procedures allows CAAHEP to communicate with the programs immediately after the CAAHEP Board takes action, as well as save on paper and mailing costs.

CAAHEP's other electronic communication pieces – the bi-monthly *Communiqué* newsletter and *For Commissioners Only* bulletin, along with the monthly *CoA Notes* newsletter - continue to be well-read, as is indicated by the above-average open and click through rates of electronic media in "Education and Services" type organizations. The average open rate for "Education and Services" type organizations is 20.5%; CAAHEP's average open rate is 31%. The click-through rate average (when an embedded link is clicked) for CAAHEP's type of organization is 12.6%, and CAAHEP's average is 19%. The circulation for *Communiqué* increased and now is sent to more than 8,100 individuals.

The CAAHEP website had an extremely active year with just over a half a million individuals (514,145) visiting the site nearly 736,000 times. This is an increase of over 100,000 visitors and 76,000 visits from last year. First time visitors made up 32% of the visits. The overall website experienced 1,471,793 pages viewed. The CAAHEP online database of accredited program remains the top visited section of the website, with 657,865 searches for accredited programs conducted in 2013.

Some of the website's increased activity can be attributed to a new advertising campaign CAAHEP developed, which was made possible by a Google Grant. The Google Grant provides CAAHEP advertising when Google searches are conducted using keywords related to the professions in which CAAHEP accredits programs. For example, if a search is conducted on Google for an Anesthesiologist Assistant program, an ad for CAAHEP accreditation may appear in the right column of the Google search results. The ad is linked to the CAAHEP website, where individuals can find out more about the profession and search for an accredited program.

The first CAAHEP ad appeared in mid-April 2013, and through the end of the 2013 fiscal year (June 30) the number of impressions or times the CAAHEP ad appeared was 520,174. Of those impressions, just over 3,000 individuals clicked on the ad to visit the CAAHEP website for more information. The value of the Google Grant for the 2013 fiscal year was \$3,847. The Google Grant is ongoing and is expected to increase CAAHEP's visibility on the internet and drive more visitors to the CAAHEP website.

## Summary of Accreditation Actions

At the conclusion of the 2013 fiscal year, CAAHEP had 2083 accredited programs in 19 professions. Committees on Accreditation from five of the new professions continue to work on procedures in preparation of reviewing programs. The number of accreditation actions that were taken this year, detailed by profession and accreditation status, is as follows. Please note that new professions Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography, Anesthesia Technology, Intraoperative Neurophysiologic Monitoring, Lactation Consultant, and Orthotic and Prosthetic Technician, did not have any programs accredited last year, as well as Medical Illustration and Surgical Assistant.

Professions	Initial	Continuing	Probation	Initial Expire	Withdrawn or Withheld	Total
Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anesthesia Technology	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anesthesiologist Assistant	1	1	0	0	0	2
Cardiovascular Technology	13	3	0	0	0	16
Cytotechnology	0	5	0	0	0	5
Diagnostic Medical Sonography	21	55	2	2	0	80
Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic	57	47	1	1	1	107
Exercise Physiology	1	0	0	0	0	1
Exercise Science	9	2	1	0	0	12
Intraoperative Neurophysiologic Monitoring	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kinesiotherapy	0	1	0	0	0	1
Lactation Consultant	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical Assisting	17	71	13	0	0	101
Medical Illustration	0	0	0	0	0	0
Neurodiagnostic Technology	2	7	0	0	0	9
Orthotic and Prosthetic Technician	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orthotist/Prosthetist	0	1	0	0	0	1
Perfusion	0	1	0	0	0	1
Personal Fitness Trainer	1	0	0	0	0	1
Polysomnographic Technology	4	1	0	0	0	5
Recreational Therapy	3	0	0	0	0	3
Specialist Blood Bank Technology/ Transfusion Medicine	0	3	0	0	0	3
Surgical Assisting	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surgical Technology	10	44	1	0	0	55
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>403</b>

## Voluntary Withdrawal

The total number of programs that exercised the right to voluntarily withdraw from accreditation during the 2012-2013 fiscal year decreased slightly from the previous year, as seen in the chart below.

Fiscal Year	Number of Voluntary Withdrawals
2004-2005	38
2005-2006	83
2006-2007	41
2007-2008	40
2008-2009	38
2009-2010	25
2010-2011	36
2011-2012	46
2012-2013	44

The total number of programs, by profession, that exercised the right to voluntarily withdraw from accreditation in 2012-2013 is outlined as follows:

Profession	Number of Voluntary Withdrawals
Cytotechnology	1
Diagnostic Medical Sonography	5
Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic	6
Medical Assisting	22
Neurodiagnostic Technology	2
Polysomnographic Technology	1
Specialist in Blood Banking Technology	2
Surgical Technology	5

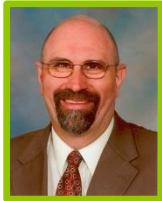
## Accredited Programs by Profession

The following reports the number of accredited programs by each profession and sorted by accreditation status as of June 30, 2013.

Profession	Initial	Continuing	Probation	Inactive	Total
Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography	0	0	0	0	0
Anesthesia Technology	0	0	0	0	0
Anesthesiologist Assistant	4	5	0	0	9
Cardiovascular Technology	23	60	0	0	83
Cytotechnology	0	30	0	0	30
Diagnostic Medical Sonography	82	248	2	1	333
Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic	134	216	3	1	354
Exercise Physiology	5	2	0	0	7
Exercise Science	28	8	1	0	37
Intraoperative Neurophysiologic Monitoring	0	0	0	0	0
Kinesiotherapy	0	5	0	0	5
Lactation Consultant	0	0	0	0	0
Medical Assisting	73	536	12	2	623
Medical Illustration	0	5	0	0	5
Neurodiagnostic Technology	7	18	0	1	26
Orthotic and Prosthetic Technician	0	0	0	0	0
Orthotist/Prosthetist	1	9	0	0	10
Perfusionist	0	16	0	0	16
Personal Fitness Trainer	2	0	0	0	2
Polysomnographic Technology	34	17	0	0	51
Recreational Therapy	4	0	0	0	4
Specialist Blood Bank Technology/ Transfusion Medicine	1	14	0	0	15
Surgical Assistant	2	5	0	0	7
Surgical Technologist	48	416	1	1	466
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>1610</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2083</b>

## CAAHEP Board of Directors 2012-2013

### Officers:



**Cameron Harris, RPSGT**  
 President  
*Sponsoring Organization Commissioner*  
 Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologists



**Kerry Weinberg, MA, MPA, RT(R), RDMS, RDCS**  
 Vice President  
*Committee on Accreditation Commissioner*  
 Joint Review Committee – Diagnostic Medical Sonography



**Susan Fuchs, MD**  
 Secretary  
*Sponsoring Organization Commissioner*  
 American Academy of Pediatrics



**Calvin Harris, EdD**  
 Treasurer  
*Public Member Commissioner*

### Members:



**Pauletta Brown Bracy, PhD, MLS**  
*Public Member Commissioner*



**Cynthia Butters, EdD**  
*Educational Programs Commissioner*  
 National Network of Health Career Programs in Two-Year Colleges



**Claire Chandler, AAC**  
*Sponsoring Organization Commissioner*  
 American Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants



**Bernard Allan Cohen, PhD, FASNM**  
*Sponsoring Organization Commissioner*  
 American Society of Neurophysiological Monitoring





**Barry S. Eckert, PhD, FASAHP**  
*Educational Programs Commissioner*  
 Association of Schools of Allied Health Professions



**Katie Bowe Lukovich, CST/CSFA**  
*Recent Graduate Commissioner*



**Alan P. Marco, MD, MMM, CPE, FACPE**  
*Committee on Accreditation Commissioner*  
 Accreditation Review Committee – Anesthesiologist Assistants



**Kalyani A. Naik, MS, SCT(ASCP)**  
*Committee on Accreditation Commissioner*  
 Cytotechnology Program Review Committee



**Carolyn O'Daniel, EdD, RRT**  
*Educational Programs Commissioner*  
 National Network of Health Career Programs in Two-Year Colleges



**John H. Padgett, Jr., PhD**  
*At-Large Educator Commissioner*  
 Proprietary Institutions



**Yasmen Simonian, PhD, MLS(ACSP)<sup>cm</sup>**  
*Educational Programs Commissioner*  
 Association of Schools of Allied Health Professions



**Thomas Skalko, PhD, LRT/CTRS**  
*Committee on Accreditation Commissioner*  
 Committee on Accreditation of Recreational Therapy Education



## CAAHEP Committees & Board Liaisons

Much of CAAHEP's work is done through Committees of the Board. These Committees are made up of members of the CAAHEP Board, as well as volunteer leaders associated with the professions in which CAAHEP accredits program.

### Governance Committee

Cameron Harris, President  
 Claire Chandler, Chair, Planning & Development Committee  
 Bernard Cohen, Chair, Performance Oversight Committee  
 Susan Fuchs, Secretary  
 Calvin Harris, Treasurer  
 Kerry Weinberg, Vice President

### Nominations & Elections Committee

Kate Feinstein  
 Judy Jondahl  
 Anne Loochtan  
 Thomas Skalko

### Performance Oversight Committee

Bernard Cohen, Chair  
 Pauletta Brown Bracy  
 Barry Eckert  
 Alan Marco  
 Kalyani Naik  
 John Padgett  
 Yasmin Simonian

### Planning and Development

Claire Chandler, Chair  
 Cynthia Butters  
 Susan Fuchs  
 Calvin Harris  
 Carolyn O'Daniel  
 Thomas Skalko  
 Kerry Weinberg

### Recommendation Review Committee

Kalyani Naik, Chair  
 Pauletta Brown Bracy  
 Katie Lukovich  
 Carolyn O'Daniel  
 Kerry Weinberg

### Standards Committee

William Goding, Chair  
 Kalyani Naik, Vice Chair  
 Jennifer Anderson Warwick  
 Hugh Bonner  
 Fumisuke Matsuo  
 Dan Points

### CAAHEP Liaisons

The CAAHEP Board Liaison program provides each CAAHEP Committee on Accreditation a representative to serve as a direct link between the Committee and the CAAHEP Board of Directors. These liaisons are either currently serving or have served on the CAAHEP Board of Directors.

Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography – *Liaison Thomas Skalko*  
Anesthesia Technologists – *Liaison Cameron Harris*  
Anesthesiologist Assistant – *Liaison Hugh Bonner*  
Cardiovascular Technology – *Liaison Janet Ghigo*  
Clinical Research Profession – *Liaison Bernard Cohen*  
Cytotechnology – *Liaison Sondra Flemming and Kerry Weinberg*  
Diagnostic Medical Sonography – *Liaison William Horgan*  
Exercise Sciences – *Liaison Marj Reif*  
Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic – *Liaison Susan Fuchs*  
Kinesiotherapist – *Liaison Kathy Jung*  
Lactation Consultants – *Liaison William Goding*  
Medical Assistant – *Liaison Nancy Smith*  
Medical Illustrator – *Liaison Dan Points*  
Neurodiagnostic Technologist – *Liaison Kalyani Naik*  
Orthotics and Prosthetics – *Liaison LaCheeta McPherson*  
Perfusionist – *Liaison Joseph Long*  
Polysomnographic Technology – *Liaison Cynthia Butters*  
Recreational Therapists – *Liaison John Padgett*  
Specialist in Blood Bank Technology – *Liaison Jennifer Anderson Warwick*  
Surgical Technology/Surgical Assistant – *Liaison Greg Frazer*

## CAAHEP Sponsoring Organizations & Commissioners

### AABB (formerly American Association of Blood Banks)

Brenda Barnes

### Accreditation Committee- Perfusion Education

Linda Cantu

### Accreditation Review Committee for Anesthesiologist Assistant

Alan Marco

### Accreditation Review Committee for the Medical Illustrator

Kathleen Jung

### Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting

Arthur "Tony" Makin

Elizabeth "Betsy" Slagle, Alternate

### American Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants

Claire Chandler

### American Academy of Cardiovascular Perfusion

Linda B. Mongero

### American Academy of Neurology

George (Trey) Lee, III

### American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists

Michelle Hall

### American Academy of Pediatrics

Susan Fuchs

### American Ambulance Association

Ron Thackery

### American Association for Thoracic Surgery

Daniel Goldstein

### American Association of Medical Assistants

Judy Jondahl

### American Association of Sleep Technologists (AAST)

Rose Ann Zumstein

### American Board for Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics

Catherine A. Carter

### American Board of Cardiovascular Perfusion

Bradley Kulat

David Palmer (alternate)

### American Clinical Neurophysiology Society

William J. Nowack

### American College of Cardiology

Vacant

### American College of Emergency Physicians

Jeff Beeson

### American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

Rebecca McAlister

### American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians

Murry Sturkie

### American College of Radiology

Kate Feinstein

### American College of Sports Medicine

Richard Cotton

### American College of Surgeons

Constantine Godellas

### American Council on Exercise

Graham Melstrand

### American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine

Marie De Lange

### American Kinesiotherapy Association

Melissa Fuller Ziegler

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