



Speaker's Update

February 28, 2023

Dear Colleagues,

I hope that this update finds your 2023 off to a fantastic second month. We are quickly approaching the deadlines for non-bylaws resolutions, and we have received a good number of bylaws resolutions. I am looking forward to rigorous debate and doing great work in the HOD. Start making your hotel and travel reservations as conference will be here before you know it. I hope to see many of you at the upcoming ELC and CO meetings. Please come up and say hello anytime you see me. I am always pleased to chat with delegates wherever possible.

HOD Volunteer Opportunities

Last chance to volunteer for several HOD opportunities. Consider submitting your interest on the [HOD volunteer form](#)! Available positions are as follows: Reference Committee Chair/Member/Secretary, HOD Mentor, Teller, or Elections Committee Member. The deadline to apply for all remaining positions with the exception of teller is **March 15**. You can review position descriptions and expectations [here](#).

Resolutions

As we get closer to the 2023 HOD, I want to remind you to refer to the guidelines for submitting [resolutions](#) and [policy papers](#) during your resolution development process. Some helpful tips include:

- Review and follow the guidelines and templates
- Keep resolutions to one or two key concepts – the clearer the better
- Read it out loud – if it doesn't sound right then rewrite
- Ask for others to review and give feedback

Whenever possible, your House Officers welcome the opportunity to review your draft resolutions and share any feedback prior to the submission deadlines below.

- Bylaws resolution deadline has passed
- **Non-bylaws resolutions are due on March 20**

HOD 2023: Nashville

HOD and AAPA 2023 registration is open! Contact Tom Shoemaker (tshoemaker@aapa.org) if you did not receive an email containing the information and applicable promo code(s) to register.

The 2023 HOD meeting will be held in the Omni Nashville Hotel in Nashville, TN from Friday, May 19 through Sunday, May 21. Please note a change in the HOD schedule for 2023. The allotted meeting time on Sunday will now be 9:00 am until 3:00 pm to allow more time that morning to review reference committee reports, collaborate with your colleagues to develop amendments, etc. Please plan to account for a later departure when making your travel reservations.

Note: The Omni Nashville Hotel has sold out of the room block AAPA has with them. While some of you are waitlisted, you may be contacted about paying a higher rate for a portion of your stay to remain in the Omni. For those unable to book a room in the Omni, there are several other options close by including the Hilton Nashville Downtown which has a good number of rooms available.

Disclosure & Conflict of Interest (COI) Form Needed

All delegates are required to complete a disclosure/COI form **no later than Friday, May 5th** as part of the credentialing process. This form (link highlighted below) is specific to the HOD and must be completed regardless of whether you hold another leadership position with AAPA. To ensure your delegation is in compliance and prepared for any HOD business, 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](#)

2023 HOD Meeting Materials

The upcoming HOD's meeting materials web page is now available at the top of the HOD landing page – www.aapa.org/hod. While much of the information will be added as we get closer to May, I want to bring attention to the draft of the HOD schedule which has been posted. There are still some blanks to fill in and times to confirm, but you can use this as a general guide for the 3-day meeting until the final schedule is available.

House Outstanding Service Award (HOSA) Nominations

As the House Officers look to identify the next recipient of the HOSA, we ask that you take a few moments to consider nominating an individual you believe has gone above and beyond in their service to

the HOD. Criteria to take into consideration before submitting your nomination is available on the nomination form. [Submit your nomination](#) no later than **March 17, 2023**.

CO Delegate/Officer Submissions & HOD Compliance

With ALL 2022 HOD delegate terms having ended, each CO needs to submit their new delegates for the 2022-23 leadership year, which began July 1. If your CO has not yet conducted your delegate elections, to ensure important communications continue to reach your organization, please do the following:

- resubmit your chief delegate from the 2022 HOD
- email Tom Shoemaker (tshoemaker@aapa.org) informing him of the scheduled date for your elections.

As a reminder, AAPA policy for CO compliance purposes states all officers of a chapter, recognized specialty organization, or caucus are required to be and remain Fellow members of AAPA for the duration of their term in office. The same Fellow membership requirement exists for CO delegates. You can check your CO's officer and delegate membership statuses [here](#).

Currently out of 97 COs, 77 have submitted officers and 81 have submitted delegates. There are 14 COs not in compliance due to an officer membership lapse. [See the chart attached to the email to view your CO's status and check back each month as this information can change.](#)

The links to the appropriate submission forms are below. There is no need to submit both forms if the CO Annual Update Form is completed. Please ensure email addresses are current and correct to ensure we are able to communicate important HOD information with you in a timely manner.

- [CO Annual Update Form](#) (for submitting Officers & Delegates)
- [Delegate Notification Form](#) (if only submitting Delegates)

Executive Leadership Conference

Refine your healthcare leadership competencies at the [2023 Executive Leadership Conference](#), March 6-8 in the Washington, D.C. area. Earn CME while getting to know your peers during interactive sessions, small groups, and dedicated networking events. \$300 savings for AAPA members!

2023 Musculoskeletal Galaxy Registration

Early Bird registration is now open for the [2023 Musculoskeletal Galaxy](#)! Join your fellow PAs June 10-14 in Austin, Texas, for an interactive learning experience in orthopaedics with breakout sessions and optional pre-courses on topics like ultrasound, musculoskeletal injections, and splinting and casting. New

this year – your registration includes six months of online access to session recordings! Register today for the biggest savings.

Quality CME at Your Fingertips

AAPA has the largest selection of [free or discounted CME](#) for members like you! Take advantage of Learning Central and choose from 500+ credits of AAPA Category I CME.

Looking for a New Job?

With an average of 1,000 open positions aimed at PAs only, AAPA's free online job board, [PA JobSource](#), can be customized to your unique preferences. Drill down with seven smart filters such as experience level, 44 specialties, and employment type (including locum and per diem). Start searching today and kick off 2023 with a brand-new opportunity!

Expand Your Network With Huddle

Access to [Huddle](#) is included in your AAPA membership, and it connects you to a network of 70,000 PAs and students across the country. Your peers are logging onto this members-only community to ask questions, share advice, and connect with PAs in their region or specialty using the Member Directory. Take advantage of this powerful resource to stay connected to your PA community.

Quick Links

- [2023 HOD Meeting Materials Webpage](#)
- [Previous Speaker's Updates](#)
- [2022-23 Elected Delegate List](#)
- [2022-23 AAPA Policy Manual](#)
- [2022-23 Resolution Guidelines](#)
- [2022-23 Policy Paper Guidelines](#)
- [2022-23 HOD Apportionment](#) (Nashville HOD)
- [2022 Summary of Actions](#)
- [2022 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Todd Pickard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "T".

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