Task Force on Veterans in PA Programs REPORT TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES May 2022

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Commission Charge/Resolution Language	Status/Outcome		
2019-C-04 The House of Delegates recommends that AAPA partner with PAEA and other appropriate stakeholders in the development of a joint task force to undertake research, identify policy solutions, and develop practical approaches regarding the recruitment and matriculation of veterans into PA school.	The work on this charge is nearing completion. AAPA established a task force comprised of PAs including AAPA members, a representative from PAEA, a member of the Society of Army PAs and the resolution authors. A survey was sent to members of the Veteran's Caucus, the Society for Army PAs, the Society of Air Force PAs, the Naval Association of PAs, and the Coast Guard Association of PAs in 2021. Relevant results from the survey are included on the Veterans Resource page. A question aimed at pre-PAs was also added to the 2022 Student Survey, about concern around bias toward veterans applying for PA school. Finalized results from		
2019-C-05 The House of Delegates recommends that AAPA create a central resource for veterans; the purpose being to recruit veterans to the PA profession and to provide information that will assist them through the process of applying to PA school.	this survey are forthcoming. The work on this charge is completed; see the Veterans Resource Center page here . This page lives on the AAPA website, and lists resources for veterans, PA programs that are seeking veterans or have benefits for veterans, resources for PA programs, and why the PA profession is ideal choice for veterans seeking a medical career following their military career. A short survey was sent to all PA program directors in January 2021, asking them to identify scholarships/assistance for veterans enrolled in the PA program, if the program actively recruits veterans, and if the program supports veterans after they have graduated from the program. Information collected from this survey is available on this resource page, which can be updated if a program has new resources available or if a new PA program seeks veterans to apply.		

Submitted by Chair, Bob Potter, PA-C, DFAAPA April 1, 2022			