



President's Message

June 2020

Dear CAAHP Colleagues,

As our states and cities move through our various phases and forms of reopening, I hope this newsletter continues to find you all healthy and safe. As we all adapt to new ways of life and work, CAAHP is doing the same. As you have likely heard by now, the NAAHP meeting is going virtual June 24-27! I know the Program Planning Committee is hard at work finding creative ways for us to still connect and share valuable information and resources, even though we are unable to gather in person this year. In conjunction with the NAAHP Virtual Meeting, please mark your calendars for our first virtual CAAHP Business Meeting, Thursday June 25th 9-10:30am Central time – Zoom connection information, agenda, and more details to come. In addition to our annual awards, recognitions, and elections for new members of the Board of Directors, at this meeting we will also be voting on some amendments to our CAAHP Bylaws and adoption of our new Ethical Principles for Advisors – stay tuned for another email with details for you to review. You will also get a preview of plans for the 2021 conference in Milwaukee, when hopefully we will be able to gather once again in person. In the meantime, please know that CAAHP continues to be here to support you in the wonderful work you do to support your students. We hope to “see” you next month! Be well, stay safe.

Sincerely,

Valerie Bennett

Valerie Bennett, Ph.D.
CAAHP President



NAAHP Virtual Conference and Registration Sponsorship

Although we will miss the food, fun, and friends in New Orleans, we hope you will still be able to join us for some great programming and professional development as part of the NAAHP Virtual Conference, June 24-27. We realize that many of our universities and advisors may be experiencing financial challenges and spending freezes, but we don't want you to miss out. So we are pleased to announce that we will be sponsoring 100 CAAHP members with free registration for those in need. Please complete the registration request form here: [CAAHP 2020 "Travel Grant" Request Form](#). We look forward to having you all join us for the CAAHP virtual business meeting Thursday June 25th 9-10:30am Central Time (before NAAHP programming begins for the day). Zoom connection info will be emailed the week before. You do NOT need to be registered for the NAAHP Virtual Conference to participate in the CAAHP Virtual Business Meeting.



Mentoring

Mentoring Goes On--From A Distance: Enroll in NAAHP Mentoring Directory

Although we won't be able to meet in person in New Orleans, please remember that opportunities for mentoring within and beyond our region continue via [NAAHP Connect](#). Whether you are looking for a mentor or mentee, be sure to enroll in NAAHP Mentoring Directory by completing a profile to help others find and connect with you in their mentor/mentee search. Note, however, that this program does not match mentors and mentees automatically; thus, it is up to the interested parties to reach out to each other. And yes, you can complete a profile to serve both as a mentor and mentee if you so desire. Please send questions about CAAHP Mentoring Initiatives to Mariella Mecozzi at mmecozzi@umich.edu.



RESEARCH GRANTS

CAAHP will be accepting applications for two research grants of up to \$750 each this year. There is an optional pre-proposal evaluation, which should be submitted by June 8th if you would like feedback before submitting your application. Grant applications are due July 7, preferably by e-mail to kkolberg@nd.edu. Please let me know if you have any questions! We would be happy to discuss any research ideas that you might have.

LOGO COMPETITION

Would you like to design the organization's new logo? The Central Association of Advisors for the Health Professions is seeking creative individuals to design and submit new logos for CAAHP. For complete guidelines and rules please contact Yolanda Webb at Yolanda.Webb@Marquette.edu. Logo submissions are due by June 15, 2020.



CALL FOR PHOTOS

It has become our tradition to share and celebrate our work as advisors during the regional business meeting. Why should we let a total disruption in our lives from a pandemic stop us from sharing?! Send us pictures showing “how you remote” – your home office, your favorite “advising with your kids/cats/dogs”, your mode of relieving stress (keep it clean and professional)! Maybe you have some pics of you with colleagues in Chicago! Send them to us to share at the CAAHP Virtual Business Meeting. We would like to highlight as many of our fantastic advisors as possible virtually! Please send them with a caption to Erin Sayer at erin.sayer@unl.edu by June 20, 2020.

THANK YOUR FOR YOUR SERVICE - A Call for Retirees



If your plans for the future include more time with family, lying on a beach, or catching up on your bucket list, you might be joining the world of RETIREMENT! Let us celebrate you and your service to pre-health advising during our virtual meeting in June! Send Erin Sayer (erin.sayer@unl.edu) an email with your name and when you will be retiring by June 20, 2020. If you know of someone who is retiring or those who may have retired since we last met in Chicago, please share that information with Erin as well.



SAVE THE DATE

The 2021 CAAHP Regional Meeting - "*Celebrating CAAHP's Golden Anniversary*", will be held April 14-17, 2021 at the historic Pfister Hotel in Milwaukee, WI.

We welcome your ideas and suggestions during these planning stages, so please feel free to reach out to the Conference Chair Dr. Valerie Bennett at vbennett@fsmail.bradley.edu, or the Conference Co-Chair Yolanda Webb at Yolanda.Webb@marquette.edu. Watch for future details and announcements about many ways for you to get involved as presenters, volunteers, etc.