



Serving the Mass. PA Community

MAPA Newsletter

President's Message

Happy Birthday MAPA!! You turn 40 this year, although we think you look much younger. It is an impressive body of work you have accomplished over these last 4 decades. As the incoming President, I would like to thank members and leaders, both past and present, for the life and passion you have breathed into this association.

Our success stands solely on your shoulders.

I would like to take a moment to recognize and welcome the newly elected members of the MAPA Board of Directors: President-Elect Sarah Christie. Treasurer Meredith Johnson, our new Directors at Large Tia Phillips, Tony Pelligrino and Appointed Director at Large Bianca Belcher, and our House of Delegates members Oren Berkowitz and Cathy Hamel.

We all have our own story for what brought us to this level of participation in MAPA and I assure you there are many reasons to be involved, including working with the dedicated and passionate individuals listed above. My own reasons were to better understand and participate in my profession on a different level than the daily clinical one. I have learned a lot about the very direct relationship between what occurs at the legislature and how it affects our profession. There are fine mechanisms involved in assuring our medical practice is adequately recognized and fairly represented. This requires vigilance.

Wording is not just semantics with respect to the laws that govern our practice. Words by their inclusion or omission affect you as a PA in substantial ways.

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**MAPA Fall
CME Boston**



**October 22 - 25,
2015**

**Hyatt Regency
Cambridge,
Overlooking
Boston**

**General CME plus
breakouts in the
Heart of Boston.**

**Come learn with
MAPA & CMR**

words and represent our interests.

So please join us, come to a meeting, eat some birthday cake and meet some interesting people who love this profession as much as you do.

Sincerely,

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Message from Past President

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your President for a second time. It has been an honor and privilege to lead such a dedicated group of volunteers. Each of the board members of MAPA has taken time from their busy professional and personal lives to represent the PAs of Massachusetts.

MAPA has dedicated its efforts to provide for the best practice environment for the profession. We have worked with legislators and regulators to move to improved rules

**Registration
coming soon!**

**Not a MAPA
member?
Combine your
yearly
membership with
the Fall CME &
Save!**



**MAPA Western
Mass CME 2015**



**September 12, 2015
Baystate Medical
Center
Springfield, MA**

**Registration
coming soon!**

To check

continues to be one of the most favorable states for our professional employment.

We recognize the new challenges face PA s with the changing healthcare landscape. MAPA remains committed to being proactive in the face of changing regulations. Under the new leadership team of Sheri Talbott and Sarah Christie, MAPA continue discussion with members on making inroads in healthcare administration.

On a personal level I am profoundly grateful for the help and dedication I had this year from MAPA leadership. The commitment from our board and students members in advocating for our profession is inspiring.

Gratefully,

Julie (Purcell) Hempton
Past - President

New Website

We have a new website! We have worked hard to streamline things and make them easier to find. Would love your feedback! Please check it out and send any feedback to:

mapa@chamberlainmedical.com

MAPA CME Upcoming Events

October CME in Boston! Save the date for our annual **MAPA Fall CME in Boston October 22-25, 2015 at the Hyatt Hotel Cambridge**. We are planning to continue our Student Sessions and expand our leadership development tract. The conference details are still in the works. We have many exciting topics planned, plus our workshop sessions, including the leadership tract, which will build on the discussion raised at our Spring CME by Charles Glick the MAPA lobbyist. MAPA strives to help PAs continue to advance and keep moving "up" in their organizations. Make your plans to attend today and tell all your PA colleagues to join you!

Western MA CME program

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pleased to be working to engage our western MA PA colleagues and invites everyone in the that part of the state to join us in Springfield. Please mark your calendar and look for our registration information coming in the coming weeks.

PA Program News

Boston University PA student Aline Souza PA-SII, as one of 220 US recipients of the 2015-2016 Albert Schweitzer Fellowship, will implement a Healthy Hearts program to improve cardiac care and promote positive lifestyle changes for Bostonians who are homeless and recovering addicts. Souza with her advisor Oren Berkowitz, PhD, MSPH, PA-C will create a novel intervention to improve blood pressure and cholesterol outcomes, as well as patient medication management, for patients cared for by the Boston Healthcare for the Homeless clinic at Casa Esperanza in Roxbury.

Student News

Northeastern University

First year students at Northeastern are getting close to the end of didactic year! We are currently working on our Research Proposals for our Research and Design course, in addition to planning for our White Coat Ceremony on August 13th. This semester has been especially exciting as we have been in the SIM lab, & working on suturing and other in-office procedures. We have OSCE's coming up in a couple of weeks, ACLS and the Stratus Lab at Brigham & Women's. Additionally, our commitment to the community remains strong. We have established a new alliance with the Boston center for the Homeless & we are actively fundraising for our medical mission to Guatemala. We are having a silent auction and raffle giveaway on July 18th at West End Johnnie's. We would appreciate it SO very much if some MAPA members could come out and support us or if anyone has anything to donate for the auction or raffle that would be wonderful. Please spread the word!

MGH Institute

The MGH Institute of Health Professions welcomed its inaugural class of 40 students in May and celebrated their commitment to compassionate care with a White Coat

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Our goal is meet our colleagues and get PAs from all over Mass involved with MAPA.

MAPA is for you and your support is vital to our success.



Women's Hospital on June 9th. The ceremony was supported by a grant from the Arthur P. Gold Foundation. Speakers included Dr. Stephen Bohan, vice chairman of emergency medicine at Brigham and Women's and associate professor at Harvard Medical School, and Dr. Alfred Sadler, an early pioneer in studying, supporting and promoting the PA profession and current president of the PA History Society.



MCP Student News

On Saturday June 13th, a group of MCPHS University PA students went to the Mather Elementary School in Dorchester to talk to elementary school students about the role of healthy nutritional choices and the need to engage in daily exercise. PA students also

life style choices including avoiding too much sugar, avoiding tobacco products, alcohol and street drugs. PA students taught elementary school students the benefits of a healthy degree of self-esteem and the beneficial role that it plays as a mitigating force in resisting peer pressure.

