INSTITUTIONAL PROFILE SURVEY

The following schools participated in survey conducted for the period July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020:

Arkansas State University
Augusta University
Baylor College of Medicine
Bowling Green State University
Central Michigan University
Chatham University
Des Moines University
Duquesne University
East Carolina University
East Tennessee State University
Ferris State University
Georgia State University
Hofstra University
Indiana State University
Indiana University - Purdue University Indianapolis
Indiana Wesleyan University
Ithaca College
Jacksonville State University
King's College
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center-New Orleans
Mayo Clinic
Medical University of South Carolina
Mercy College
Midwestern University-Downers Grove
Midwestern University-Glendale
New York Institute of Technology
Ohio University
Pacific University
Quinnipiac University
Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science
Rush University
Rutgers University
Sacred Heart University
Saint Joseph’s University
Saint Louis University
Salus University
Seton Hall University
Stockton University
Stony Brook University
Texas Christian University
Texas State University
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center
The George Washington University
The Ohio State University
The University of Alabama at Birmingham
Towson University
University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
University of Central Florida
University of Cincinnati
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Kansas Medical Center
University of Kentucky
University of Michigan-Flint
University of Mississippi Medical Center
University of Nebraska Medical Center
University of New Haven
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
University of South Alabama
University of Texas Health San Antonio
University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center
University of the Incarnate Word
University of Utah
Virginia Commonwealth University
Weber State University
Wichita State University

INTERPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AWARD

Through the Award for Institutional Excellence and Innovation in Interprofessional Education and Collaborative Health Care, ASAHP plans to recognize a member institution or industry member for outstanding achievement in interprofessional education (IPE) and interprofessional collaborative practice (IPCP). Several institutions also will be recognized as “Programs of Merit.” Award recipients will be acknowledged at the ASAHP Annual Conference in October 2021 in Long Beach, California. Award nominations must be submitted by the designated ASAHP member representative.

The application period closes on May 1, 2021. Applicants will be notified of their status no later than August 1, 2021. All nominations must be submitted via the online form at https://www.asahp.org/ip-award.
The Board had a conference call on January 21, 2021. The following actions are among those taken:

- The Minutes of a conference call on November 19, 2020 were approved as prepared.
- President Phyllis King and Kristen Truong, ASAHP Director of Public Affairs, described how the Basecamp software system will be used to communicate rolling out the Association’s Strategic Plan. This platform is designed for use for project management and communication among Board members, committee liaisons, and committee members. An overview of the software was described.
- Treasurer Brian Shulman reported the latest figures on the performance of the investment portfolio at Merrill Lynch and the amount of money in the lockbox at SunTrust Bank.
- Using Basecamp, each month a special focus will be placed on a strategic planning committee with a report to the Board. The Communication/PR/Marketing Committee will present a proposal in February, followed by reports from the: Research/Discovery/Innovation Committee in March, Education Committee in April, Partnerships/Alliances/Advocacy Committee in May, and Leadership Development Committee in June.
- During the conference call, updates were provided on recent activities undertaken by the following committees: Research/Discovery/Innovation, Education, Partnerships/Alliances/Advocacy, and Leadership Development.
- Executive Director John Colbert indicated that a new contract allows flexibility regarding any hotel postponements due to COVID-19.

UPCOMING 2021 ASSOCIATION EVENTS

- March 5, 2:00 PM ET Webinar on Budgeting in Higher Education – What Leaders Need to Know.
- March 10, 1:00-2:00 PM ET ASAHP Live Virtual Series – Select Topics in Allied Health.
- March 24, 1:00-2:00 PM ET ASAHP Live Virtual Series – Curriculum Innovations Related to COVID-19.

More information can be obtained at https://www.asaahp.org/events.

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine Global Forum on Innovation in Health Professional Education, which ASAHP has belonged to since the group’s founding in 2011, conducted a virtual workshop called “Health Professions for the Future” in August 2020. The purpose was to explore various aspects of faculty development, with a focus on diversity and inclusion. Presentations at this event provided examples of how educators are using effective teaching strategies and of practices in health professional education. Topics such as the following were discussed:

- Expanding educators’ pedagogical and andragogical skills
- Keeping up with content knowledge
- Developing relationships across health professions and across sectors
- Understanding faculty’s role in assessing, mentoring, and providing constructive feedback to learners and colleagues

Workshop Proceedings with summaries of presentations and discussions can be obtained at: https://www.nap.edu/catalog/26041/health-professions-faculty-for-the-future-proceedings-of-a-workshop.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Hospitals and health systems had a difficult start in 2021 with declining volumes, falling outpatient revenues, and rising expenses contributing to significant January margin declines. The ongoing effects of COVID-19 propelled January’s poor results. If the trends continue, they suggest an easing of COVID-19’s impacts following a devastating winter surge. A report can be obtained at https://www.kaufmanhall.com/sites/default/files/2021-02/national-hospital-flash-report_feb-2021_final.pdf.

DECLINE IN LIFE EXPECTANCY

Life expectancy in the U.S. dropped one full year during the first half of 2020, according to a recent CDC report. The new projection is the lowest it has been since 2006. Life expectancy at birth for the total population declined from 78.8 years in 2019 to 77.8 years for January through June 2020. For non-Hispanic Blacks, it decreased by 2.7 years (74.7 to 72); for Hispanic individuals, 1.9 years (81.8 to 79.9); and for non-Hispanic whites, 0.8 years (78.8 to 78).