

EASTERN ACPE REGIONAL MINI-NEWSLETTER

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1. HOW SHOULD INTERNATIONAL STUDENT INQUIRIES BE ROUTED?

To assure proper visa coverage as a part of the application process, international student inquiries should be routed first to the ACPE Web page www.acpe.edu.

2. SHOULD MY CENTER ASK APPLICANTS ABOUT PREVIOUS CONDUCT?

Obtaining a signed statement similar to that now required of ACPE members is advisable. "I certify that no discipline or corrective action arising from a complaint of unethical or felonious conduct has been imposed upon me, etc." Some centers are running criminal record checks.

3. WHAT IS THE COUNCIL ON COLLABORATION AND HOW DOES IT HELP MY PROGRAM?

The Council on Collaboration is comprised of representatives from six pastoral care movement organizations (including ACPE) that influenced the salvaging of Medicare Passthrough coverage for first year residents and some single unit students, and is strategizing ways to get second year residents and supervisory education reinstated. Contact George Handzo at 212-644-1111 for more information and to route your center's contribution to match The HealthCare Chaplaincy's \$100,000 gift.

4. WHAT IS THE MANUAL WRITING PROJECT AND HOW DOES IT HELP MY PROGRAM?

A writer has been engaged to edit (not change) the content of ACPE manuals to make them more consistent and user-friendly. Study documents will be out in May, and your input will temper the final drafts for approval by the Board of Representatives at the November Portland, Maine meeting.

5. WHAT IS THE MULTICULTURAL TASK FORCE AND HOW DOES IT HELP MY PROGRAM?

From extensive interviews and data collection the Multicultural Task Force will shortly identify multicultural competencies for inclusion in our curricula.

6. WHAT IS THE CERTIFICATION PILOT PROJECT AND HOW DOES IT HELP MY PROGRAM?

Beginning in April ten persons seeking certification will meet consistently comprised sub-committees throughout their process in order to investigate whether this will make for a fairer and more effective function.

7. CAN I RECEIVE TRAINING AND SERVE ON THE AMERICAN RED CROSS SPIRITUAL RESPONSE TEAM?

Yes. Details about receiving training and serving on the American Red Cross Spiritual Response Team may be obtained from the ACPE Liaison, Jim Nenninger. (at jnenninger@sibley.org)

Continued Blessings, Jack Gleason, RD and Interim Editor

P.S. Please check the regional website www.eneacpe.org at least once per week.