

News from the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors



Fall Conference Highlights

ASPA celebrated its 25th anniversary at the Key Bridge Marriott on September 9, 2018 with a reception and dinner. In attendance were former Chairs (left to right) David Werner, Carol Bobby, Mary Jane Harris, Laura Rasar King, and current Chair Earl (Gip) Seaver.

Carol and Gip provided historical and current perspectives on the association, and the Executive Director gave a synopsis of activities over the past 25 years:



The conference was held at the Westin Arlington Gateway, September 10 - 11 and included sessions on Succession Planning, Risk Management for Conducting and Documenting Meetings, Continuous Quality Improvement for Accreditors, Providing Support for Programs, and Site Visitor Recruitment,

Training and Evaluation.

We had a record registration of 150 attendees and conference evaluations were overwhelmingly positive!

ASPA Committees

The Nominations Committee is pleased to announce that there are candidates for most positions for which there will be elections or appointments at the Spring 2019 conference. Open positions remaining:

- Board of Directors - Public Member
- Professional Development Committee Members

Committee responsibilities and time commitments are posted on the ASPA member portal. If you have a nomination, send us a message: aspa@aspa-usa.org.

Save the Date - Spring Conference - April 1-2, 2019, Chicago

Leveraging Technology and Data Analytics to Enhance Accreditation Operations

Regardless of agency size or budget, programmatic accreditors face increasing challenges to be effective, efficient and ensure success in this fast paced world. Our program will explore:

- factors to consider when using technology to enhance operations
- leveraging technology to enhance meetings
- leveraging technology to enhance accreditation processes
- leveraging technology to enhance program director training
- leveraging data analytics to inform accreditation activities

Program and Registration available soon

About ASPA



The Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors provides a collaborative forum and a collective voice for the community of 60 member accreditors that assess the quality of programmatic higher education programs and schools in the United States. We are the only organization that promotes the importance of specialized and professional accreditation.

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