Fall e-Conference - September 14-15, 2020

With the continued uncertainty related to the pandemic and travel restrictions for many ASPA members, our fall conference will be held online. Registration fees have been reduced ($150 for members, $200 for non-members).

Programming will address challenges and solutions related to accreditation effectiveness. We will have sessions on:

- **Governance and operations** - identifying and delineating the roles of accreditation staff and Board/Council members,
- **Staff development** - retaining talented individuals, engaging them in the work of accreditation, and building an institutional memory,
- **Strategic planning** - enhancing the growth and development of the organization while supporting its mission and goals, and
- **Risk reduction/management** - key considerations when engaging IT vendors and implementing services.

There will also be sessions with the US Department of Education on the recognition of accreditors and students and faculty will share their perspectives on converting from an in-person experience to remote learning.

**ASPA Award** - we will present the "ASPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Accreditation" to two accreditation champions at the end of the second day of the e-conference.

The **Member session** that normally occurs at the beginning of our conferences will be held separately - details will go out later this summer.

**Click here for Program and Registration**
Spring Conference - March 30-31, 2020
With a very short turnaround, the conference moved online - and the reviews were positive. A big thank you to the folks at CEPH (Council on Education for Public Health) for assisting with the set up and running the conference on their platform.

**Member Meetings**
In response to the pandemic and its effects on programs and accreditors, we have been holding electronic meetings to give members the opportunity to discuss issues and share solutions. Some of the topics addressed have included virtual site visits, experiential placements, risk management considerations and business operations. A series of meetings is scheduled bi-weekly throughout the summer.

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**Save the Date**

**Spring Conference - March 29-30, 2021, Chicago, IL**

The planning committee is developing the program and will survey members on potential content later this month.

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**About ASPA**

The Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors provides a collaborative forum and a collective voice for the community of 61 member accreditors that assess the quality of programmatic education in colleges and universities in the U.S. We are the only organization that promotes the importance of specialized and professional accreditation.

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