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SHEA News

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Call for SHEA Board of Directors Nominations

Here is your chance to help lead the society dedicated to furthering the profession of healthcare epidemiology. SHEA currently is seeking members to serve in leadership positions on its board of directors.

Candidates should have demonstrated commitment to SHEA and the field of healthcare epidemiology and should have experience in committee and volunteer work.

If you are interested in serving or know of potential board members, please obtain a nominations form by visiting the SHEA web site (www.medscape.com/she), or write to Keith Ramsey, Nominations Committee Chair, University of South Alabama, 472 Cancer Center Clinical Bldg, Mobile, AL 36688.

Publications Committee

Dr. Sellick reported during the April 1999 SHEA Board of Directors meeting on the activities of the Publications Committee. The ICHE CD-ROM containing issues from the last 11 years is now available. To order a copy, call SLACK at 1-800-257-8290. Furthermore, SHEA and SLACK will publish a textbook on immunization for healthcare workers.

Good news for all those who plan to publish in ICHE: Dr. Decker reported to the Publications Committee that the manuscript turnaround time now ranges from 1

to 3 months (depending on circumstances).

SHEA must make a decision immediately on the future of *Clinical Performance and Quality Health Care*, because the journal lost money in 1998. The options on the table include publishing the journal electronically, folding the journal into ICHE, or increasing SHEA's financial support to the journal. The board agreed that SHEA could not subsidize the loss and asked the Publications Committee to prepare a proposal with their recommendation.

SHEA Annual Meeting Abstracts on Disk

Approximately 800 oral and poster abstracts from the 1997, 1998, and 1999 annual meetings are now available on disk. Obtain an order form from the SHEA web site, www.medscape.com/she. Orders cannot be processed without a form. Questions? Call 609-423-0087.

Spotted the Site?

The Hospital Infection Society's e-mail discussion group has an archive for all those who want to see topics discussed in the past. The address is <http://www.his.org.uk/archive/>. SHEA News' purpose mainly is to tell readers the latest Society news, but we also print other news important to readers. If you want to share such news or have spotted a site you really like, let me know at a.voss@mmb.azn.nl.

Calendar

July 4-7. 21st International Congress of Chemotherapy, Birmingham, United Kingdom. Contact: 21sticc@gardiner-caldwell.com.

August 2-5. APIC's summer ICE I course, Austin Renaissance, Austin, TX. Contact: www.apic.org.

August 9-11. First International Congress of the Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control, Hong Kong. Contact: moreview@mvdmc.com or <http://www.mvdmc.com>.

September 8-10. First International Congress on Cytokines/Chemokines in Infectious Diseases, Bethesda, MD. Contact: meetings@imedex.com.

September 26-29. 39th Inter-science Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy, San Francisco, CA. Contact: meetingsinfo@asmusa.org.

October 14-16. Trends in Invasive Fungal Infections, Valetta, Malta. Contact: tifi@concorde-uk.com.

October 18-21. APIC's fall ICE I course, Hyatt Regency, Savannah, GA. Contact: www.apic.org.

October 29-November 2. European SHEA/ESGNI Training Course, Oogduyne, The Netherlands. Contact: a.voss@mmb.azn.nl.

November 2-6. Second World Congress of Pediatric Infectious Diseases, Manila, Philippines. Contact: 1161170@compuserve.com.

November 10. APIC's software course, Marriott Marina, Ft Lauderdale, FL. Contact: www.apic.org.