

CPME College Document Revisions

On a regularly scheduled basis, the Council on Podiatric Medical Education appoints ad hoc committees to review and revise the standards and procedures associated with its various evaluation activities. The Council's 2016-2017 schedule includes the review of college documents – CPME 120, *Standards and Requirements for Accrediting Colleges of Podiatric Medicine*, and CPME 130, *Procedures for Accrediting Colleges of Podiatric Medicine*. The Council and its Ad Hoc Committee are guided by the following principles in revising the college documents:

- **Leadership.** The Council will provide thoughtful leadership in formulating issues related to the standards and procedures revision process, developing needed tools and strategies to sustain the value of quality document revision that will lead to advancement in podiatric postgraduate education.
- **Accreditation Best Practices.** The Council will look to and formulate its process in keeping with recognized best practices of other accrediting agencies.
- **Inclusion.** The Council will sustain an environment of active consultation with the larger podiatric medical education community and participating organizations, as well as encourage cooperation and information exchange throughout the podiatric education community.
- **Independence.** The Council will be an autonomous and informed voice for strengthening the standards for approval of podiatric residency programs.

The Ad Hoc Advisory Committee members broadly represented the community of interest related to college education. They were selected with the belief that they would provide thoughtful analysis and insight into the needed evolution of college education and the interests of the profession. The following individuals accepted appointment to this Committee:

Michael Trepal, DPM; Chair

CPME Vice Chair and Chair of Accreditation Committee; Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean, New York College of Podiatric Medicine, New York, NY

Albert Armstrong, DPM

Dean, Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine, Miami Shores, IL

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CPME Chair; Private Practitioner, Florence, SC; college and residency evaluator
Kieran Mahan, DPM
Chair of Accreditation Committee; Associate Dean for Academic Affairs; Chair,
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of Podiatric Medicine; Philadelphia, PA; college and residency evaluator

Sheila McLaughlin, PhD
President Emeritus, Santa Fe Community College, Santa Fe, NM; former CPME and
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Roya Mirmiran, DPM, Private Practitioner, Sacramento, CA; former Residency Review
Committee member; residency evaluator

Prior to its first meeting scheduled for February 2017, the Committee conducted a survey in late 2016 of the college community of interest. This survey was designed to provide data to the Ad Hoc Committee related to the perceived state of podiatric college accreditation.

The agenda for the meeting will include reviewing the results of the survey, reviewing accrediting standards and procedures from other professions, discussing and assessing whether the self-study process needs to be revised, and beginning the review of CPME standards, requirements, and procedures.

Depending on the extent to which the review and revision of the documents is accomplished during the meeting, the committee's charge may be completed with one or more conference calls during the spring. If that is the case, drafts of CPME 120 and 130 would be considered by the council at its October 2017 meeting. The proposed document changes would be disseminated to the community of interest and one or more public forums could be held during the winter. Final changes and adoption of the documents could occur as soon as the April 2018 meeting of the council.