Annual Report of the Pediatric Dentistry Review Committee of the Commission on Dental Accreditation

The Pediatric Dentistry Review Committee meetings of July 7, 2004, and January 11, 2005, dealt with accreditation issues relative to advanced education programs in pediatric dentistry. The Committee considered site visitor evaluations and progress reports regarding more than 30 advanced education program in our specialty, and we forwarded our recommendations regarding their accreditation status to the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Of particular interest is the number of new training positions approved by the Review Committee during 2004:

Bronx Lebanon - 2
Lutheran Medical Center - 3
Temple University - 3
University of Tennessee - 2
University of Connecticut - 1
Virginia Commonwealth University - 4
University of Nebraska - 4

Seven programs have had a total of 19 new training positions approved. This total does not include requests from 3 additional programs. These requests have been approved by the Review Committee, but still require final Commission approval. Initial site visits of new programs are scheduled in 2005 for the North Bronx Healthcare/Jacobi Medical Center and the Oregon Health and Science University.

A consultant (site visitor) calibration and training session was held in Chicago on Friday, June 25, 2004. The session was co-sponsored by American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, the College of Diplomates of the ABPD, and CODA. The Review Committee is grateful for the support from each organization. This was an excellent opportunity to bring together the Review Committee and almost all of the approximately 16 site visitor consultants to discuss issues related to site visits. The session was also afforded the site visitors a chance to calibrate with each other and hone their report writing skills. The next such calibration and training session is scheduled for 2009.

Dr. Chuck Post's tenure on the Review Committee ended in October 2004. The Review Committee thanks him for his years of diligent service. His successor is Dr. Murray Dock of Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Thus, the Review Committee has been able to maintain its balance of membership between hospital-based and university-based programs.

The following consultants will complete their service with the Commission in October 2005: Dr. Cliff Dummett, Cynthia Hipp, Penelope Leggott, and Linda Nelson. The Review Committee appreciates the time and effort they have devoted to the

accreditation process. The following individuals have been appointed as consultants effective October 2005: Drs. Seth Canion, Carole Hanes, Ronald Kosinski, Erwin Turner, Richard Udin, Richard Burke, Kevin Donly, Amr Moursi, Man Wai Ng, and Brian Sanders. The Review Committee looks forward to working with these appointees.

The chairman of the Review Committee, Dr. Steve Adair, has communicated with the AAPD and ABPD following each of the Commission's meetings via e-mail with summary notes.

The chairman thanks the Board for its ongoing support of the Review Committee as we continue to work with the Commission and our advanced education programs for the benefit of pediatric dentistry specialty education.

RECOMMENDATION: None.

Respectfully submitted,

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