

CHP Corner



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A Great Continuing Education Resource!

Harry Anagnostopoulos, CHP, Editor, and Nancy Johnson, Executive Director (retired)

Starting with the 56th Health Physics Society (HPS) Annual Meeting in West Palm Beach, both Professional Enrichment Program (PEP) and continuing education lecture (CEL) presentations can be accessed via the internet, following the HPS meetings. We extend our thanks to Tom Johnson and his Colorado State University (CSU) students for taping the presentations and making them available.

The process to view a session is simple and straightforward. The courses and lectures are now being hosted on the [Mountains and Plains Educational Research Center website](#). In the search box, type "PEP" or "CEL" to pull up a list of available presentations that can be viewed for continuing education credits.

Register online and provide the fee via a credit card. Each presentation includes a video of the presenter and the slide being discussed. The participant receives an electronic handout for later review.

For participants who are certified by the American Board of Health Physics, **each class is eligible for the same credit as if the individual was present at the original presentation.** However, **credit for these activities is only available for a period of four years from the date of the original presentation.**

The Work of Your ABHP

Jay Tarzia, CHP, Chair

The American Board of Health Physics (ABHP) held its fall meeting in McLean, Virginia, on 18–19 November 2016.

During the fall meeting, the ABHP granted 34 new certifications and the Board commended panel members for the significant time and effort they contributed to the preparation and grading of the examinations. Special thanks go to Chris Martel, Part I Panel chair, and to Wei-Hsung Wang, Part II Panel chair, for their leadership.

Also, in 2016 additional time was invested to standardize the Part II exam process. An examination workshop was held 16–17 July to review and revise Part II questions, which will lead (by 2019) to a newly validated and comprehensive examination bank. This effort is part of the normal business cycle.

The term of service has expired for Andy Miller, and the Board would like to extend its appreciation for his support and effort in the roles of member, vice chair, and chair of the ABHP over the past many years.

The 2017 ABHP consists of the following members:

- James P. "Jay" Tarzia, chair
- William Rhodes, vice chair
- Victoria Morris, secretary
- Robert May, parliamentarian
- Cindy Flannery, member
- Wayne Gaul, member
- Charles A. "Gus" Potter, member
- Glenn Sturchio, member

A Reminder

Nancy Johnson has now retired. Please direct any AAHP- or ABHP-related questions to Amy Wride-Graney at awride-graney@burkinc.com or at 703-790-1745, ext. 213.

Nominating Committee Update

Nora Nicholson, CHP, Chair

The Nominating Committee is responsible for developing a slate of candidates for open positions on the American Academy of Health Physics (AAHP) Executive Committee, the American Board of Health Physics (ABHP), and three AAHP representatives on the American Board of Medical Physics (ABMP).

The committee contacts potential nominees for elective office, reviews their eligibility and willingness to serve, ranks the candidates, and forwards the slate of candidates to the AAHP Executive Committee. Nominating Committee members are drawn from diverse health physics disciplines and geographical areas with the intent of generating a large and balanced pool of certified health physicist candidates for elected office.

Members of the 2017 Nominating Committee are Kathleen Dinnel-Jones, Morgan Cox, James Bogard, John Hageman, Cheryl Olson, ABHP Vice Chair Bill Rhodes, and Nora Nicholson.

The committee would like to thank the outgoing members for their service: Chair Earl Fordham, Robert Morris, and outgoing ABHP Vice Chair Jay Tarzia.

The Nominating Committee requests that AAHP members submit the names of potential candidates for elected office or consider running for offices themselves. Past service on the ABHP exam panels, AAHP standing committees, or the ABHP is very helpful, but not required.