

CHP Corner



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Nominating Committee

Gary Kephart, CHP, Chair

The Nominating Committee is composed of nine plenary members of the American Academy of Health Physics (AAHP or Academy) whose primary task is to put together a slate of candidates for open positions on the Academy Executive Committee, the American Board of Health Physics (ABHP), and the Academy representation on the American Board of Medical Physics (ABMP). Nominating Committee members are drawn from a wide variety of geographical areas and health physics disciplines. The intent is that the committee members' diverse circle of influence will then result in both a large and a balanced pool of certified health physicist (CHP) candidates for elective office.

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 Executive Committee. Working closely with the ABHP, the committee also selects and ranks potential candidates for open positions on the Board. The Nominating Committee is also charged with identifying qualified candidates for the Academy positions on the ABMP.

Members who are continuing terms or beginning new terms on the Nominating Committee in 2013 include Cynthia Connelly, Morgan Cox, Christine Donahue, Kurt Geber, Glenn Sturchio, Dale Thomas, Toshihide Ushino, and ABHP Vice Chair Patrick LaFrate. The committee would like to thank outgoing committee members Bruce Zibung and ex officio member Govind Rao, 2012 ABHP vice chair, for their service. Departing 2012 Nominating Committee Chair Steve King moves on to further serve the profession on the Health Physics Society Board.

The Nominating Committee strongly encourages Academy members to submit names of potential candidates for elected office or to volunteer to be considered themselves. Past service on the ABHP Examination Panels, Academy standing committees, or the ABHP is helpful but is not a prerequisite. Your interest and enthusiasm is the lifeblood of the Academy.

Professional Standards and Ethics Committee

Ruth E. McBurney, CHP, Chair

The Academy's Professional Standards and Ethics Committee is charged with defining the Standards of Professional Responsibility for CHPs and reviewing all complaints about unethical practice referred to the committee by the Executive Committee. The Standards of Professional Responsibility are in place and they have been reviewed.

The Professional Standards and Ethics Committee is a standing committee of the AAHP composed of five members of the Academy. Serving on the committee in 2013 in addition to the chair are Bruce Thomadsen, Tim Taulbee, Danny Rice, and Neill Stanford.

It appears that all CHPs are continuing to conduct themselves in a professional and ethical manner, as no complaints have been referred to the committee in the recent past. The committee also serves as a clearinghouse for professional standards and ethics questions from CHPs and others in the profession of health physics.

Another responsibility of the Professional Standards and Ethics Committee is the establishment of procedures for selecting, awarding, and announcing the Joyce P. Davis Award winners. They have been reviewed and a call has been issued for nominations for the 2013 Joyce P. Davis Memorial Award. The information regarding the nomination process can be found in the [December edition of CHP News](#). It can also be found on the [AAHP website](#). We encourage you to nominate a worthy CHP who has demonstrated an exceptional level of professional standards and ethics in his or her career.

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