



Greetings to all PCCHA Members!

As I reflect on this past year, I am very pleased with our organization's accomplishments as chronicled in each of our 2018 newsletters. I could not be any prouder of the success of our region, members, and Executive Board! The PCCHA Regional Conference and Meeting in Hawaii was a major success, not only because of its programming, location, and attendance but because it was the conference that ... *"almost wasn't"*. Over the past 5 years, there were significant discussions about the pertinence of live conferences and whether they were outmoded. Would our members and sponsors be interested in conferences in the future? Would a live, in-person conference in Hawaii would be too lofty of a goal in a time of budget constraints, zoom conferencing, and webinars?

Fortunately our annual surveys indicated strong support from membership that live, in-person conferences were highly valued; and that, in fact, Hawaii was a location of interest garnering the highest preference in location-surveys! Armed with a "bigger vision" for PCCHA Regional Conferences, our Executive Board, membership, and conference planning committee made Hawaii 2018 a reality.

Moreover, in support of our member's expectations around live events, the location for our Regional Meeting and Conference is now established in advance *and* two years at a time: San Diego 2019 and Portland 2020.

As we wind down 2018 and start prepping for a new board to be elected in two months, we leave the PCCHA Executive Board for 2019 with a strong administrative structure in place, new financial management protocols established, and a planning discipline designed to further continuity for the organization as it grows in the future.

In closing, I invite those considering PCCHA involvement to run for an elected or appointed position. We have a legacy of accomplishment to pass on as the organization continues to serve the college and university health professionals in the west.

It has been my pleasure to serve as President in 2018. Please join me in welcoming Michelle Laabs, PCCHA President-Elect as she assumes the role of PCCHA President effective January 1, 2019.

Patrick Haines
President PCCHA 2018
Executive Director University of California, Irvine

Call for PCCHA 2019 Executive Board Nominations

The Pacific Coast College Health Association (PCCHA) is looking to fill a number of open positions on its Executive Board for the 2019 term. Terms begin January 1 of the calendar year, unless stated otherwise. The list of available opportunities is below:

1. President Elect (3-year commitment)
2. Vice President (1-year commitment)
3. Vice President Elect (2-year commitment)
4. Treasurer (2-year commitment)
5. Member at large: research and grants (2-year commitment): appointed
6. Member at large: awards (2-year commitment): appointed
7. Student Rep (1-year commitment): appointed
8. **Regional Rep to ACHA (2-year commitment): term starts in June 2019

How To Apply:

1. Read the attached PCCHA Executive Committee Positions and Responsibilities document.
2. If you are interested in being considered for one of the Executive Board positions, please complete the attached PCCHA Candidate Interest Form and submit it electronically, including all required documents, to michelle.laabs@cui.edu.
3. Must be a PCCHA member in good standing and maintain the membership during your tenure in the position.

Deadline: November 10.

Affiliate New Professionals Award

This award recognizes a PCCHA member* who has provided service to the field of college health for 5 years or less and who has made significant contributions to their institution and/or PCCHA.

How to Nominate a Candidate for the Affiliate New Professionals Award

- Write a letter of nomination explaining why you think the nominee is deserving of the award.
- Have at least one colleague of the nominee write a letter of support.
- Send all letters to Awards Committee Chair, Brian Davies (bdavies@collegeofidaho.edu) or PCCHA President, Patrick Haines (phaines@uci.edu) by **January 11, 2019**.

*Nominees must have a current **individual** ACHA membership; an institutional membership is not sufficient to be eligible for this award. Please contact Brian (bdavies@collegeofidaho.edu) if you have questions.

2018 Ruby Rich Bargar Award Recipient, Cathy Kodama!

Every year, PCCHA selects a recipient for the Ruby Rich Bargar Award. This award recognizes an individual of outstanding character who, over a long career, has made significant and exemplary contributions to the field of college-health. The 2018 Ruby Rich Bargar Award goes to Cathy Kodama.

For over 35 years, as Director of Health Promotion at the University of California, Berkeley (University Health Services), Ms. Kodama has collaborated with students, colleagues, city officials, and the public to innovatively pioneer and execute various college health initiatives, some of which have been adopted and implemented by other schools in the University of California system. Early in her career, Ms. Kodama led the development of one of the nation's first college-based HIV prevention programs. A number of college-health service awards have been bestowed on Ms. Kodama, and other accomplishments include leading and working on numerous grant-funded mental health, HIV, and drug/alcohol prevention and intervention programs. Ms. Kodama served as president of PCCHA in 2004-2005, and she has volunteered and had leadership roles in other college-health organizations.

Ms. Kodama is described by her nominator as an inquisitive "woman of utmost integrity" who has "been a tireless champion for diversity, equity and inclusion issues" in the college-health arena. Please join us in congratulating Ms. Kodama for her impactful and passionate career in college-health!

Joel Grinolds Grant Recipient, University of Oregon!

The PCCHA Joel Grinolds' Grant awarded to the University of Oregon's Health Center will directly support the implementation of a pre-test post-test survey measuring the effectiveness of new sexual health programming offered by the Health Promotion Department. This work is intended to contribute to the evidence base for promising practices on college campuses to increase availability, accessibility and acceptability of safer sex supplies among students in an overall effort to reduce STIs, and empower students to take charge of their sexual wellness. The award will support a UO student to assist in leading in the research design, survey implementation, data collection and analysis and dissemination of results.

Sent by Luwissa Wong, PCCHA Student Representative