

NP/PA Advisory Council Charter Document

Purpose	The NP/PA Advisory Council offers insight into the practices, policies, and trends that affect health care involving physician assistants (PA) and nurse practitioners (NP). Ongoing and often rapid changes in the post-acute and long-term care (PALTC) settings underpin the need for recommendations, education, and open dialogue regarding collaborative practice, inclusive and appropriate language, and understanding of roles and scopes of practice. The group's intent is to provide ongoing support and guidance as we work toward more collaboration in the care of our PALTC communities.
Ongoing Council Activities/ Council Charges & Strategies	<p>The council undertakes the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifies priorities, issues, and concerns relevant to NPs and PAs, and brings them to the Board of Directors and to key programmatic committees such as Education, Clinical Affairs, and Public Policy. • Educates the Society's membership and the public through articles and conference sessions. A recent article in <i>Caring for the Ages, Clearing Up Misconceptions About Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants in Long-Term Care</i>, is currently the most downloaded article for 2023. • Planning to submit an abstract for the 2024 GAPNA conference to continue efforts to foster relationships with like-minded professional groups. • Creating a work group to review the 2010 <i>JAMDA</i> article on collaborative practices between APPs and physicians. It needs to be updated to include PAs.
Roles and Responsibilities	<p>Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help structure agenda for meetings. • Run an effective meeting to ensure council members' involvement and advancement of activities and charges. • Communication with the Board liaison before and after each Board meeting to share updates from the Committee and to hear about new Board initiatives. Report back to the full committee on each discussion with the Board liaison. (Right now, the chair and the board liaison is the same person, so this isn't applicable.) • Identify, mentor, and groom the next chair of the council. • Assist with the structure and selection of council members. <p>Vice Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the council chair to ensure responsibilities are met in a timely manner. • Serve as interim chair in the chair's absence. • Recommend individuals to serve as the next vice chair. • Ascend to the position of chair. <p>Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be prepared to actively participate in all conference calls and meetings. • Work on projects as delegated by the chair.

Workgroups and Other Committee Relationships	<p>Worked with the Annual Conference Program Planning Subcommittee on a revised guide featuring inclusive/appropriate language around NP/PAs. The guide was used as part of the abstracts process.</p> <p>Will conduct the review of the 2010 <i>JAMDA</i> article on collaborative practices between APPs and physicians mentioned above in collaboration with the Public Policy Committee.</p>
Expected Commitment	<p>The council meets in person at the annual conference and then 3 times a year via conference call (a Doodle Poll is sent out to find the best time for most of the group). Council members are expected to review the agenda/relevant materials before each meeting and to attend calls as schedules permit.</p>

Committee Composition	The Council currently has 29 members, including 3 physicians and 4 PAs.
Council Terms	N/A since this isn't a committee or subcommittee.
Selection/ Appointment	N/A since this isn't a committee or subcommittee.
Committee Requirements	<p>Council Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Express a desire to serve with a particular interest in advanced practice providers and the interdisciplinary team. • Desire to advance the mission of AMDA. • Ability to make the necessary time commitment. • Must be a Society member in good standing. • Must disclose all financial relationships on an annual basis. • Ability to attend and actively participate in in-person meetings (if attending the conference) conference calls. <p>Council Chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition to the above requirements, when possible, the chair should have previously served as the council vice chair. <p>Vice Chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition to the above requirements, when possible, the vice chair should have previously served as a council member.
Committee Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair: Allison Villegas • Vice Chair: Vacant • Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deb Bakerjian Jennifer Edgar Beth Galik Linda Keilman John Knight Cari Levy Milta Little Beth Ann Martucci Victoria Nalls

	Kimberly Posey Barbara Resnick Jamie Smith Natalie Baker Sara Brainerd Erin Brooks Stacey Chapman Connie Cole Linda Cougar Kelsey Cummings-Odoi Renee Donelson Leslie Hunter-Johnson Jenny Kim Molly Langford June Leland Michelle Mocci Adair Moore Emily Nicoli Rob Porter
Staff Liaison(s)	Ellen Mullally
Board Liaison	Allison Villegas