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Chair's Report –Becky Evans, MS, RRT

My past two years as Chair of CoARC has been a transition period for the organization and has created a mélange of earning opportunities. These opportunities have been manifested in the continued growth of the Tripartite relationship (AARC, NBRC, CoARC), in respiratory care education, as well as healthcare accreditation and has generated numerous challenges and rewards. The expansion and strengthening of these areas would not have been possible without the dedication, support and expertise of the board members that comprise CoARC and the executive staff that provides the day-to-day operation of our accreditation services.

The Tripartite opportunities began with the AARC when they requested the assistance of CoARC in the CAAHEP approval process and the development of new Polysomnography programs along with subsequent accreditation of quality educational programs within the field of Respiratory Care. CoARC designed accreditation Standards, curriculum guides, syllabi, bridge criteria, etc. to assist current accredited Respiratory Care programs in the initiation of several Polysomnography options.

Since AARC's initial request we now have thirteen accredited programs and five more that are in the process of being accredited. CoARC continues its relationship with the AARC during the Summer Forum with its entertaining educational presentations at the Helmholtz lecture, with periodic Agency Updates to the profession and presentations to the House of Delegates.

CoARC's interaction opportunity with the NBRC was in response to the feedback from the Respiratory Care program directors concerning outcomes. CoARC requested the NBRC to

investigate the possibility of re-instituting the "CRT expected graduation provision" and developing a Comprehensive Secure Written Registry Self-Assessment Examination for respiratory care students. These tools would give the faculty the ability to assess the learning outcomes of their students before they graduated and give the programs valuable feedback for action plans and curriculum/resource improvement. As part of this process the NBRC requested CoARC to assist in communicating with all programs the importance of participating in the Electronic Eligibility Database (EED), to facilitate the processing of their graduate's applications and subsequent testing.

The respiratory care education opportunities began with the statistical analysis that CoARC conducts each year through the Annual Reports. CoARC tracks the number and various types of programs within the system. The current numbers of CoARC Respiratory Care programs remain close to 354 but the composition of the programs has shifted. Based upon a recent survey, entry-level programs are steadily decreasing and converting to advanced level programs. The dual level programs number in the mid twenties and are also decreasing, so that within the next five years, about 65% of the programs will be advanced level only.

The subcommittees of CoARC have been actively reviewing and revising several documents to improve the function and efficiency of CoARC's accreditation services. The results of the subcommittees work include the revision of the Site Visitor Manual to incorporate the recent changes to the accreditation policies and to accommodate the respiratory care programs who offer alternative educational formats. The Site Visitor Training Workshops have been updated to include the revisions made to the Site Visitor

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Manual and the next training session will be at the AARC Summer Forum in 2006.

The Referee Process subcommittee has written and completely revamped the Referee Manual to improve the orientation and training of new referees to better serve the programs and their needs.

The Computer Technology subcommittee has been working closely with CoARC's Manager of Data and Technology to implement a web-based Annual Report to streamline the accreditation process and save programs valuable time. CoARC will continue to implement this paperless system for all reporting processes. As part of the Strategic Planning process, CoARC reviews on an annual basis all policies and procedures.

The Accreditation Policies and Bylaws subcommittee made key changes in the Initiation of Accreditation, Site Visits, Key Personnel, Alternative Formats and Satellite Campuses. The most significant change was the effort to assist current respiratory care programs in meeting the needs of rural communities or underserved areas, by no longer requiring satellite campuses to obtain free-standing accreditation after two classes of students have graduated or five years of operation.

The Strategic Planning subcommittee has recognized that within the next five years several of the current Respiratory Care programs will have faculty retiring or will have new faculty with limited educational experience filling key personnel positions. In response to this need, and as a supplement to the AARC's Educator's Academy, CoARC has designed a series of educator's retreats and workshops, which will be held for 2-3 days at the CoARC office in Bedford, Texas starting the fall of 2006. The workshops will be approved for CEU's and will provide opportunities through group participation for the completion of various accreditation projects tailored to the individual institutions.

CoARC continues to be a leader in the accreditation field through its close relationship with CAAHEP and CHEA, as well as its innovative strategies for accreditation services, which has been fostered through the tireless efforts of Dr. Rich Walker. So much so, that many other Committees on Accreditation look to our organization for guidance and resources to improve their service to their professions. The past two years have been no exception and

CoARC has again been on the cutting edge for advancing the field of accreditation. As of January 1, 2006, CoARC entered into a partnership with CoAEMSP to create the Health Care Education Accreditation Services Corporation

(HEASC), which is a management service for other smaller Committees on Accreditation that cannot afford to provide quality accreditation services to their programs. At this time, the new corporation will provide operational services to CoARC, CoAEMSP and JRC-CVT.

Even though the last two years have been extremely busy, CoARC under the guidance of Dr. David Chang as Chair will continue to assess its mission on an annual basis and revise its processes to provide the best possible accreditation services to its constituents. I would like to thank the CoARC Board Members whose camaraderie and esprit de corps have sustained me through numerous challenges and the Executive Office Staff who are amazing in their ability to organize meetings and provide information on a moments notice. My job as Chair and the accomplishments of CoARC would not have been possible without your assistance.

-Becky Evans



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Executive Director's Report - Richard T. Walker, DBA, RRT, NREMT

2005 turned out to be a productive year. The Executive Office processed several self-study documents in 2005. Of which, thirteen self-studies were submitted by Respiratory Therapy Programs seeking Initial Accreditation for a Polysomnography Certificate Option. All thirteen programs were awarded Initial Accreditation and have enrolled their first class. In addition, a hand-full of programs were scheduled for site visits in 2005 and we plan to schedule several more during 2006.

The self-study and site visit process has been running extremely well. For this, we have many people to thank. The programs have done a wonderful job in developing their "streamlined" self-study documents and have been very helpful in assisting our office staff in scheduling their site visits. Thanks a bunch!

As always, the program Referees have worked hard to provide additional support and guidance to programs as the accreditation process moves forward. On site, we are thankful for the consultative and facilitative role provided by our volunteer Site Visitors. Collectively, the Referees and Site Visitors foster a very positive accreditation environment in support of our programs and positive outcomes.

As one can clearly see, many dedicated people contribute to the accreditation process. Thanks to their efforts, 2005 has turned out to be a great year. 2006 is now upon us and accreditation activities continue. Programs being site visited

are being considered for extended accreditation cycles. Those programs with outcomes that consistently meet or exceed Thresholds can be extended as long as 10 years between Self-Study and site visit. Over the past few years, many of our programs have been placed on extended accreditation cycles.

The CAAHEP/CoARC 2005 **Standards & Guidelines** have been implemented and are working out just fine. As referenced above, the option for a Polysomnography Certificate is now available and the "CoARC Polysomnography Curriculum Guide" remains on our web site for your review. Please contact us if you have any specific questions relating to the implementation of a Polysomnography Certificate in conjunction with your Respiratory Care Program.

2005 has turned out to be a very busy and successful year for the CoARC and the Respiratory Care Profession. I am hopeful that 2006 will be just as promising for all of us.

Dr. Richard Walker



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Annual Report Update

WEBSITE:

All Annual Reports will need to be completed directly from the Web for the Year 2006. Please go to http://www.coarc.com/annual_reports.htm for more information.

DEADLINE:

Annual Report Deadline September 1, 2006.

Mass Email Reminders will go out to Program Directors in July 2006.

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Helmholz Jr. Educational Lectures

CoARC Sponsored the H.F. Helmholz, Jr, Educational Lecture Series at the 2005 AARC Summer Forum:
 “Follow the Yellow Brick Road to Threshold Success”



(Erna Boone, Rich Walker, Bob DeLorme)



(Bob DeLorme, Shelley Mishoe, Rich Walker, Erna Boone)

The Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) sponsored the 9th annual H.F. Helmholz Jr Lecture at the 2005 AARC Summer Forum in Orlando. Participants enjoyed a special visit from the “Wizard of Oz” played by our very own executive director, Dr. Richard Walker, as scenes and music from the movie played on the screen. The “wizard” led the participants down the yellow brick road to two outstanding presentations on threshold success: Bob DeLorme, EdS, Division Chair for Health Sciences at Gwinnett Technical Institute, Lawrenceville, GA presented keys to success for associate degree programs. Erna Boone MEd, Department Chair for the Respiratory Therapy Program at the University of Arkansas, presented keys for faculty, student and graduate success for baccalaureate degree programs. Both presenters gave practical and specific suggestions for achieving the desired outcomes for full accreditation by CoARC and producing quality graduates to work in the respiratory care profession.

Below are the previous H.F. Helmholz Jr. Educational Lectures:

- 1997 – H. Fred Helmholz Jr., MD was the original presenter on *The History of Respiratory Care*
- 1998 - *Critical Thinking in Respiratory Care* - Shelley C. Mishoe, PhD, RRT
- 1999 - *Computer Technology - New Paradigms in Education* - Jon O. Nilsestuen, PhD, Marilyn R. Childers, PhD, and Stephen P. Fracek, PhD
- 2000 - *Student Recruitment and Retention: A Marketing Perspective* - William H. Turner, PhD
- 2001 - *Teaching Patient Assessment to the Respiratory Care Student* - Robert Wilkins, PhD, RRT
- 2002 - *The Role of the Advisory Committee & Employers in Shaping the Future of Respiratory Care* - Garry Kauffman, MPA, RRT
- 2003 - *Managers and Educators Working Hand-in-Hand* - Thomas J. Johnson, MS, RRT and Michael Nazzaro, MPH, RRT
- 2004 - *The Dynamic Web Classroom* - Sal Sanders, MS, RRT, CPFT
- 2005 - *Follow the Yellow Brick Road to Threshold Success* - Erna L. Boone, MEd, RRT & Robert P. DeLorme, EdS, RRT

New CoARC Board Members



Dr. David Bowton
MD, ATS

Dr. Bowton received his medical degree from the University of Illinois in 1975, and did his residency in Internal Medicine and Fellowship in Pulmonary Disease at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem, NC. Dr. Bowton is board certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Diseases, and Critical Care. After leaving to enter private practice, he returned to Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center in 1983 where he served as the Director of the Critical Care Fellowship Program, and was also Associate Medical Director of the Adult Intensive Care Units, Medical Director of Respiratory Care and the Director of the Asthma Clinic. From 2002-2003 he was a Senior Clinical Research Physician and a Senior Manager at Eli Lilly in Indianapolis.

Dr. Bowton is currently Professor and Head of the Section on Critical Care in the Department of Anesthesiology at Wake Forest University School of Medicine and Medical Director of Respiratory Care at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. Dr. Bowton has been active in both translational and clinical research. He has numerous publications in respected peer reviewed journals, including *N Engl J Med*, *Am J Respir Crit Care Med*, *Chest*, *Ann Intern Med*, *Crit Care Med*, and *Anesthesiology*. His translational research has been funded by the NIH and industry and has centered on the role of phospholipases and surfactant dysfunction in asthma. His current clinical research interests revolve around the mechanically ventilated patient, especially the diagnosis and treatment of nosocomial pneumonia and improving the process of care for mechanically ventilated patients.

Jolene Miller was appointed to the CoARC Board by the National Network of Health Career Programs in Two-Year Colleges (NN2), in 2005. Jolene is the Division Chair of Health Sciences at Ivy Tech State College in Lafayette, IN. She has been in this position since 1990, and with Ivy Tech since 1982. Jolene's first position with the College was as Director of Clinical Education for an entry-level program in Respiratory Care. The program was upgraded to an associate degree program in the early 90's. The Health Sciences division is composed of seven nursing and allied health programs. She has also served as a staff therapist, an assistant department head for a hospital respiratory care department, and as a consultant.



Jolene Miller
MED, RRT, NN2

Currently a doctoral candidate at Indiana State University in Higher Education Administration and Leadership, Jolene has a master's degree from Purdue University in Education, a bachelor's degree in Health Arts from the University of St. Francis, and an associate's degree in Respiratory Therapy from the University of Southern Indiana.

Jolene served on the Commission for Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) for nine years, representing technical colleges. As commissioner, she served on ad hoc committees and on the nominations committee. Jolene is currently completing her second term as treasurer for NN2. She is also active in local organizations, including the Chamber of Commerce and a church-based preschool board. Jolene is married and has two adult sons, and enjoys reading, crossword puzzles, and is an avid basketball fan, true to her Hoosier roots.

New CoARC Board Member



Manuel R. Castresana, M.D.

Dr. Castresana obtained his MD from the University of Barcelona, following a research fellowship in Rochester, New York. He completed residencies in Critical Care Medicine at the University of Barcelona Hospitals and Anesthesiology at the University Health Center of Pittsburgh. Later he joined the Anesthesiology Department at the Medical Center of Central Georgia and eventually was appointed Director of Critical Care and Medical Director of the Respiratory Care Services. He became the Chairman of the Anesthesiology Department at Mercer University School of Medicine and Professor of Anesthesiology, Surgery and Medicine. In 2003, he joined the Anesthesiology Department at the Medical College of Georgia as a Professor of Anesthesiology, Director of Cardiothoracic Anesthesia, Co-director of the Surgical ICU and Associate Director of the Cardiothoracic ICU.

Dr. Castresana is board certified/recertified in Anesthesiology, Critical Care Medicine and Perioperative Echocardiography. He is a past president of the Georgia Society of Anesthesiologist, Medical Advisor to the Georgia Society of Respiratory Care and a Fellow of the College of Critical Care Medicine (FCCM). He is the author or co-author of over 120 abstracts and manuscripts published in peer reviewed journals.

A Tribute in Memory of Bruce Steinbach

The Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) wishes to pay tribute and extend our sympathies to the family, co-workers and friends of Mr. Bruce Steinbach, who died in an automobile accident on June 7, 2005. Since 1994 until the time of his death, Bruce was a dedicated site visitor for accreditation of respiratory therapy educational programs. COARC was fortunate to have the services of such an experienced Respiratory Therapist on its roster. He was a native of Illinois and graduated from the University of Chicago, School of Inhalational Therapy in 1966 followed by an Associates Degree in Respiratory Care from Washetenu Community College and then a Bachelors Degree in Health Management from Ottawa University. From 1966 to 1983 he was Director of Respiratory Therapy at Chicago Children's Memorial Hospital, University of Michigan Medical Center and North Carolina Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill. Bruce established the Respiratory Care Program at Pitt Community College and was the Program Director until his retirement in 2000. He was active in the North Carolina Society for Respiratory Care as President, as well as a member of various committees of the AARC.

His consultative expertise was highly valued by respiratory care educators that sought his advice to strengthen their curriculum, faculty, students, graduates and other aspects of their program. He co-authored the initial Exam Review Book for Respiratory Care Examination in 1975 and the American Academy of Pediatrics awarded him a Bronze Medal Award for his contribution to Respiratory Care.

Bruce was an avid outdoorsman and loved his farm. He astonished everyone as a farmer with so many capabilities that included birthing animals. He will especially be remembered for holding grand barbecues for family and friends. He will be missed and the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care is grateful for his participation as a site visitor for many years. CoARC wishes to pay tribute to Bruce Steinbach for the many contributions that he made to the Profession of Respiratory Care.

Program Notices

NBRC Electronic Eligibility Database Participation

The CoARC Board supports participation in the NBRC Electronic Eligibility Database (EED) by our accredited programs. The CoARC views program participation in the NBRC EED as a mechanism to facilitate graduate attainment of their national credentials. With electronic submission of graduate data for both the CRT and RRT Examinations, students can apply for an examination, pay the applicable fee and schedule an appointment within a matter of days via the NBRC's Website, www.nbrc.org.

CoARC Sample Consortia

A Sample consortia can be located on the CoARC website <http://www.coarc.com/programnotices.htm>

Graduate Employer Surveys

This notice is to announce a new "Outcomes Survey System" provided as a free service to our programs from the CoARC. The new Survey System will include automated Graduate and Employer Surveys and is ready for implementation in time for some of our programs to use the system to collect data for their 2004 Annual Reports. This new system has been developed by DataArc, LLC - a Biomedical Education Database Service Provider that provides automated surveys and clinical tracking systems for the medical professions.

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Recognition for Service



Dr. John B. Berte

COARC is grateful for the service of John B. Berte, MD, FCCP as a site visitor since 1967. He is a pioneer site visitor and one of the first physician site visitors for the Joint Review Committee for Inhalation Therapists, which became the Joint Review Committee for Respiratory Care in 1976 and evolved to the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care in 1998. Dr. Berte has been one of the most respected physicians in the accreditation process of Respiratory Care for over thirty three years. During the course of his career, he was a faculty member in the medical schools of Yale, University of Connecticut, Case Western Reserve and West Virginia University.

Dr. Berte was introduced to respiratory care during his association with Dr. Donald Egan, the author of the renowned Fundamentals of Inhalation Therapy, known to many as the "Bible" of respiratory care texts. Dr. Berte himself later contributed to the respiratory care literature with his 1977 edition of Pulmonary Emergencies, which was revised in 1986 and titled Critical Care of the Lung. Other important contributions to respiratory therapy included his participation on the National Board of Respiratory Therapy for nine years and as Chairman of the Written Registry Committee.

He retired from pulmonary practice in 1990 and launched a new career in respiratory care education as Adjunct Professor of Science and Health at Edison Community College in Ft. Myers, Florida where he teaches Anatomy and Physiology, and Medical Terminology. Hyperbaric Medicine is one of Dr. Berte's interests and in 1996 he was certified by the National Board of Diving and Hyperbaric Medicine Technology to teach an annual course in Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy at Edison College. He has lectured extensively on this subject and was featured in a "Meet the Professor" session at the American College of Chest Physicians in 1997.

It is our pleasure to recognize Dr. Berte's contributions to respiratory care education and to CoARC. It has been a privilege to work with a pulmonary physician of such stature. We hope, now that he has retired from clinical duties, he will have more time to devote to stamp collecting and building model ships, planes and dollhouses for his grandchildren.

Recognition for Service



Dr. Harold Stevens

The Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care wishes to thank Dr. Harold "Hal" Stevens for his many years of service and numerous contributions to the respiratory care profession. Dr. Stevens has been a site examiner for accreditation of respiratory therapy educational programs for over 25 years and was on the JRCRTE/CoARC Board of Directors from 1995 until 2004. He spent numerous hours volunteering his services on behalf of the respiratory care profession, not only for accreditation of programs, but also as an oral examiner for the National Board for Respiratory Care. Dr. Stevens received his medical degree from the University of Michigan. He served in many roles during his professional career, including Chairman of Anesthesiology and Co-Medical Director of Respiratory Therapy at Mercy Hospital in Toledo from 1969-1982. He was also Adjunct Professor and Medical Director of Respiratory Care at the University of Toledo from 1974-1994. He is a Diplomat of the American Board of Anesthesiology and a Fellow of the American College of Anesthesiology. Dr. Stevens is retired and resides in Florida where he spends time with his family and enjoys many interests, including his hobby of restoring vintage cars. CoARC extends its sincere appreciation to Dr. Stevens for his many years of service on the Board of Directors with best wishes to him and his family!

Polysomnography Programs Polysomnography Option

CAAHEP/CoARC

Accredited Polysomnography Programs

This past year, the 2005 CAAHEP/ CoARC Standards and Guidelines for the Respiratory Care were implemented allowing for CAAHEP/ CoARC accredited Respiratory Programs to offer a Polysomnography Certificate Option. During the 2005 calendar year, the CoARC received "13" applications from its programs requesting Initial Accreditation of Polysomnography Certificate of completion programs. Below is a listing of programs recently accredited by CAAHEP/CoARC to offer a Polysomnography Certificate:

May 2005

- SUNY Health Sciences Center-Stony Brook
- Tallahassee Community College

September 2005

- Catawba Valley Community College
- Temple College

January 2006

- Alvin Community College
- Coosa Valley Technical College
- Cuyahoga Community College
- Darton College
- East Tennessee State University
- Pitt Community College
- Texas State University-San Marcos
- University of Alabama at Birmingham
- Youngstown State University



(Above Pictures Provided by Texas State University—San Marcos)

Since respiratory therapists make up a significant portion of the sleep testing workforce, the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) recently added a polysomnography accreditation program for schools of respiratory care. The CoARC realizes the increasing need for formally trained polysomnographic technologists, and it is only appropriate to formalize the training process for respiratory therapists who wish to function in the field of polysomnography.

The training can be a stand-alone certificate program that can be added to an existing respiratory therapy educational program in a couple of different ways. You could make it a branch of or separate component of your existing respiratory therapy educational curriculum. So, in other words, you would now offer two programs: respiratory therapy and polysomnography. An alternative is to incorporate the certificate option into the existing course work as a specialty track. So how it's packaged can vary according to your institutional needs and constraints.

If you are interested in the option of offering polysomnography in your program, you can find information at the CoARC web site at www.coarc.com. Click on "CoARC Polysomnography Certificate Option" at the right of the screen. Then click on the first link, "CAAHEP 2003 Standards 4-2003," which will take you to the 10-page PDF document listing the standards. A fully accredited respiratory therapy program simply has to submit a request to start a polysomnography option. Once you have completed the polysomnography self study that's on our web site, we will evaluate your program for initial accreditation through CoARC and the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP).

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Questions about Annual Reports

Polysomnography

Standards & Guidelines Questions

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