

CHP Corner



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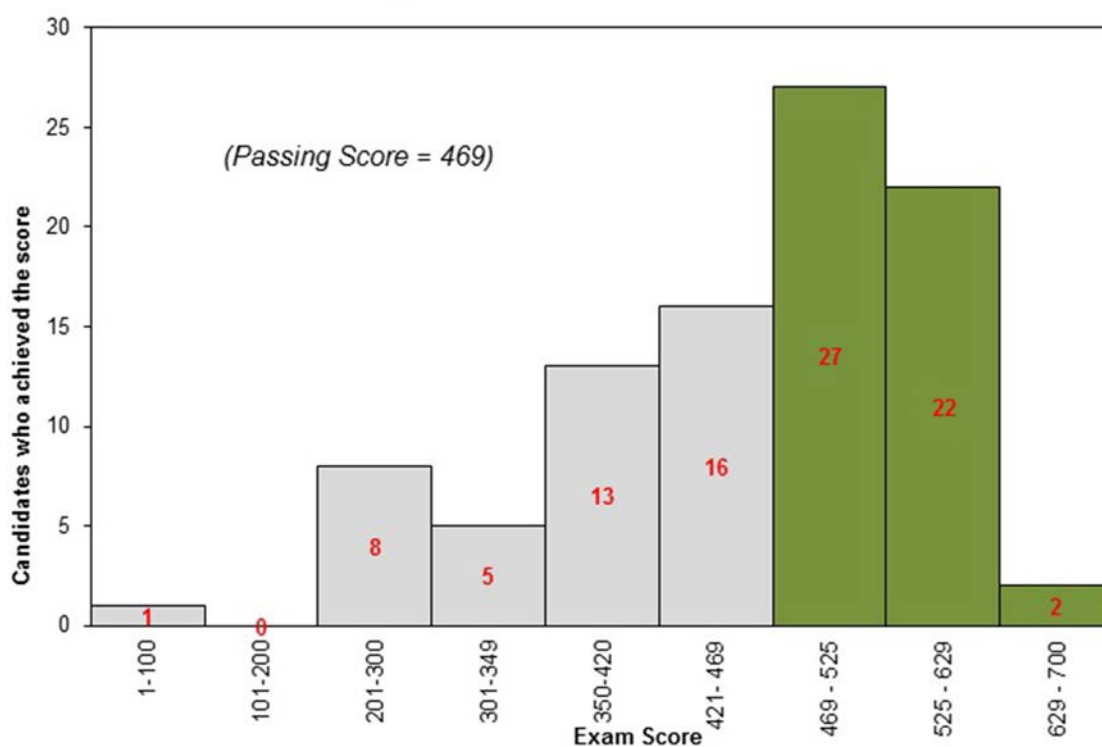
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Activities of the American Board of Health Physics

Andy Miller, CHP, ABHP Chair

The American Board of Health Physics (ABHP) held its fall meeting in McLean, Virginia, 20–21 November 2015. Based on the exam results (described in the [January 2016 "CHP Corner"](#)), the ABHP granted 51 new certifications.

Histogram of Part II Exam Scores



2015 Exam Statistics

Total Number of Applicants: 347

Total Number of Candidates: 219

Total Number of Part I Examinees: 146

Total Number of Part II Examinees: 94

During the fall meeting, the Board commended examination panel members for the time and effort they contributed to the preparation and grading of the 2015 examinations. We thank Part I Panel Chair Paul Jones and Part II Panel Chair Rick Adams for their leadership in this endeavor.

Preparing the exams involves a significant effort. It is important to recognize the extensive time that the panel members volunteer in this process. Their hard work is sincerely appreciated.

Also, please note that there has been a change in the way that recertification points are awarded to certified health physicists (who are not part of an examination panel) who develop questions for

an examination. Points will now be awarded when the question is approved and entered into the examination bank; the question does not have to be used in an actual examination.

For 2016, the following members will be leading the examination panels:

Part I Panel

Chris Martel, Chair
Karen Barcal, Vice-Chair

Part II Panel

Wei-Hsung Wang, Chair
Kathleen Dinnel-Jones, Vice-Chair

The term of service has expired for the following members:

Part I Panel

William Barley
Beth Hilt
William P. Roach

Part II Panel

Kelly L. Ausbrooks
Curtis Kwasniewski

Moving on to ABHP general business, we wish to express our gratitude to Andy Karam and Pat LaFrata for their service on the board. Also, Wayne Gaul and Glenn Sturchio joined the board as new members, effective 1 January 2016.

The 2016 ABHP is composed of the following members:

Andy Miller, Chair
Jay Tarzia, Vice-Chair
Victoria Morris, Secretary
Robert May, Parliamentarian
Wayne Gaul, Member
Charles (Gus) Potter, Member
William Rhodes, Member
Glenn Sturchio, Member

As always, we express our most sincere appreciation to Nancy Johnson for her dedication to the ABHP, the candidates, and the certification process.

Professional Standards and Ethics

Timothy D. Taulbee, CHP, Chair

The Professional Standards and Ethics Committee is a standing committee of the American Academy of Health Physics (AAHP) and is composed of five members of the academy. The Professional Standards and Ethics Committee is charged with defining the standards of professional responsibility for certified health physicists (CHPs) and reviewing all complaints about unethical practice that are referred to the committee by the Executive Committee. The committee also serves as a clearinghouse for questions regarding professional standards and ethics from persons engaged in the work of health physics.

All CHPs appear to continue to conduct themselves in a professional and ethical manner, as no complaints have been referred to the committee for investigation.

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. Information regarding the nomination process can be found in the [December 2015 edition of the CHP News](#) and also on the AAHP website. We strongly encourage you to nominate a CHP who has demonstrated an exceptional level of professional standards and ethics in his or her career. Previous recipients of the award include John Kelly, James Tarpinian, Carol Berger, Howard Dickson, Frazier Bronson, and Bryce Rich.

Your 2016 Professional Standards and Ethics Committee consists of Chair Robert Cherry, Jack Buddenbaum, John Keklak, and Kathy Pryor.