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AAHP Membership Survey Results

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The *CHP News* section of the June 1995 issue of the HPS Newsletter carried a membership survey that sought member views on ten specific issues. The results of the survey (as of 12 July 1995) are summarized below:

Issue No.	Yes	No	Maybe	Comments/Suggestions		
				Yes	No	Maybe
1	28	6	2	13	3	2
2	30	6	0	22	4	0
3	22	10	3	6	7	3
4	32	1	1	7	1	1
5	21	13	2	10	7	2
6	17	13	1	Topics: 19		
7	9	16		Suggestions: 14		
8	5	21		Suggestions: 12		
9	2	22		Suggestions: 5		
10	12	16	1	Volunteers: 11		

ANALYSIS:

The table gives the number of yes, no, and maybe responses out of the total of 36 responses, as well as the number of comments/suggestions associated with the yes, no, and maybe answers.

The analysis to the right states the issue and gives the main conclusions from the survey responses. The details of all comments/suggestions will be provided to the AAHP Executive Committee and others as noted.

Issue
No.

- The AAHP should comment on Federal, State, or local rule-makings that pertain to radiation protection issues and prepare position statements on topical issues. **78% of respondents supported this proposal and offered 13 positive comments.**
- The AAHP/ABHP should have minimum academic degree requirements for Certification Exam candidates. **83% of respondents supported this action and offered 22 positive comments.**
- The AAHP should prepare and distribute Standards of Practice for Health Physics. **63% of respondents supported this proposal, however, most of the negative responses indicated a lack of understanding of Standards of Practice. We may need to see examples before a meaningful survey can be conducted.**
- The AAHP should pursue legal protection of the term "Certified Health Physicist." **91% of the respondents supported this proposal.**
- The AAHP should produce a Handbook of Certified Health Physicists that includes technical specialties. **58% of respondents supported this proposal. Most negative responses suggested that the HPS Membership Handbook should suffice.**
- The AAHP should appoint a Program Committee. **55% of respondents supported this proposal. 19 topics for future programs were suggested, which will be provided to the AAHP Executive Committee.**
- I have some suggestions that will improve communications among AAHP members. **14 specific suggestions will be provided to the AAHP Executive Committee.**
- I have some suggestions that will improve the "CHP Corner" and the *CHP News*. **12 comments/suggestions will be passed along to Nancy Daugherty.**
- I have some specific suggestions or some input for a Committee Chair. **Five suggestions will be passed along to AAHP Committee Chairs.**
- I have some time to work on a specific Committee project this year. **12 people said "Yes" and 11 gave their names, which will be provided to the AAHP President and President-Elect.**

It is not too late to respond to this survey. If you would like to add your response, please fill out the survey form and send it in. Your input on these ten issues, as well as any other pertinent subject, is always welcome! ■