



## SDAPA BIENNIAL NEWSLETTER

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## OPTIMAL TEAM PRACTICE

## RECENT UPDATE:

The SDAPA Bill for Optimal Team Practice (OTP) made it through the Senate Committee, but was defeated in the senate by a vote of 16 to 19. The Bill would remove administrative barriers, our scope of practice would not change. Our goal is to always work together with other healthcare providers to provide excellent care to patients. Even though the defeat was difficult, we learned that we accomplish a great deal when we work together as a team! Corey Anderson is the Legislative Chair and he and his team worked diligently strategizing with our lobbyists, Senator Tobin, and PAs in the state of South Dakota before presenting our Bill to the Senate. **If you are interested in working with the SDAPA Legislative Team, contact Corey Anderson at: [coreyleeanderson@yahoo.com](mailto:coreyleeanderson@yahoo.com)**

## WINTER/SPRING CME IN RAPID CITY



The Winter/Spring CME conference was held in Rapid City March 3-5, was Hybrid and a big success. Brady Hicks is the new CME chair and Heather Rice and Corey Anderson helped Brady get this ready. We had the opportunity to network, listen to great speakers on a variety of topics, earn CME, and win prizes. During the general business meeting luncheon, election results were announced, awards for Collaborating Physician of the Year and Distinguished Service were presented, and the Doc Hayes Scholarship was presented to a first-year and second-year student. If you are interested in Speaking on a topic at the next Winter/Spring CME Conference, contact **Brady Hicks** at **bradyhicks58@gmail.com**

Mark  
YOUR  
Calendar

**NEXT SUMMER/FALL CME:**  
**SEPTEMBER 14-16, 2022**  
**AT THE HILTON GARDEN SOUTH**  
**6300 S GRAND CIRCLE**  
**SIOUX FALLS, SD**  
**PHONE: 605-444-4500**

### DRAWING FOR PRIZES WINNERS:

\$25 GIFT CARD - TIA CHASE

\$25 GIFT CARD - AVERY WHITE

\$25 GIFT CARD - HEATHER RICE

\$25 GIFT CARD - JORDANA NEEMAN

SDAPA TUMBLER & COASTER - CAITLIN BOLTE

ONE-YEAR FREE MEMBERSHIP - CHARLES WADE JOHNSON

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DOUG STANDLEY OR MICHELLE NOBLE, CO-EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

# SDAPA BOARD ELECTIONS & AWARDS



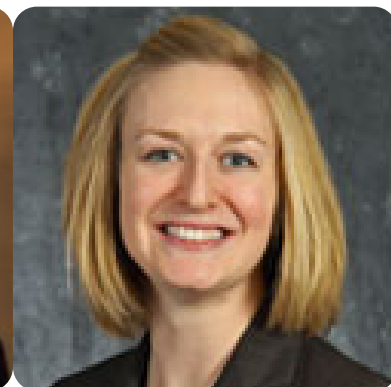
Vice President/ President  
Elect: Michelle Wasson,  
PA-C



Treasurer: Marilyn  
Ruhlman, PA-C



Director-at-Large: Dan  
Palmer, PA-C



Director-at-Large: Leah  
Mergen, PA-C

Awards were presented during the Business Luncheon. **Dr. Coenraad Kloppe** is the recipient of the **Collaborating Physician of the Year**. Dr. Kloppe currently works in Family Medicine affiliated with Avera in Philip SD. **Corey Anderson** is the recipient of the **Distinguished Service Award**. Corey currently works in orthopedics at Black Hills Orthopedics and Spine Center



Dr. Coenraad Kloppe



Corey Anderson, PA-C



# HIGHLIGHTING SOUTH DAKOTA PAS: KYRSTIN REIMANN-DORIS



Our featured PA-C for this quarter's newsletter is Kyrstin Reimann-Doris! Kyrstin is a PA-C employed at the Lower Brule Indian Health Service Clinic. She attended the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities earning a bachelor's degree in Biology. She is a 2008 graduate of the USD PA program, and has been at Lower Brule IHS since 2010. In her position at IHS, Kyrstin sees patients of all ages who are part of a critically underserved population. She manages multiple complex medical conditions on a daily basis, including diabetes, coronary artery disease, mental health disorders and liver disease to name a few. Kyrstin lives on a ranch south of Ree Heights, SD with her husband, Luke, and children: Croix, Cannon, Cahill and Chapel.

"I TRULY ENJOY LIVING IN CENTRAL SOUTH DAKOTA AND HELPING TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY OF LOWER BRULE. I HAVE MET SO MANY GREAT PEOPLE THROUGH MY PRACTICE THAT I CONSIDER FRIENDS. IT IS A TRUE PRIVILEGE TO BE A PART OF THIS COMMUNITY." - KYRSTIN REIMANN-DORIS

## DOC HAYES SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

### Colton Bender, Class of 2022

Colton lives in Rapid City, SD. He believes there is no greater sense of purpose than being of service to others.

### Brianna Geigle, Class of 2023

Brianna lives in Yankton, SD. She has a desire to work in a rural community. She believes being a PA is more than treating patients in clinic, but also being a role model of health and improve access to care.



# WELCOME OUR NEW PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR

## **Betty Hulse will be the new Public Relations Chair for the SDAPA**

If you have any PR information or needs, contact Betty at [Betty.Hulse@usd.edu](mailto:Betty.Hulse@usd.edu)

The Public Relations Chair & Committee are responsible for:

- Promotion of PA profession by maintaining annual records chronicling ongoing activities of PAs in SD
- Distribution of news releases pertinent to PA week, awards, PA issues to local media sources and SDAPA Newsletter team

## GET INVOLVED:

### **Sign up to mentor a Pre-PA student:**

Discuss the PA role on the healthcare team, helping the student understand more about what a PA is and what a PA does

Read student's application statement/essay and give feedback

Offer shadowing if available

### **Sign up to offer housing for a clinical PA student:**

Rotations are 5 weeks in length

Do you have room available to house a student

Do you know anyone who can offer housing to a student

Consider free or reduced rent to house a student

### **Sign up to precept a PA student!**

**Contact Nancy Trimble at [Nancy.Trimble@usd.edu](mailto:Nancy.Trimble@usd.edu) or [ndtpac@gmail.com](mailto:ndtpac@gmail.com) if interested**