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REPORT OF:	Health Professions Network (HPN) Liaison
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About the Health Professions Network (HPN):

The HPN represents 80 member associations and works to promote collaboration and serve the interests of allied health professionals from 200 different health professions as well as educators, regulators, accrediting agencies, and government agencies. Since its founding in 1995, HPN has worked to advance and explore current issues relevant to health professions.

I represented ASCLS at the HPN Board of Directors monthly HPN Board Meetings. I continued to serve as HPN's Treasurer and Finance Chair until Dec 31, 2018. As of Jan 1, 2019, I was elected to serve as President of HPN.

I represented ASCLS at the following Health Professions Network (HPN) Summits:

The HPN continues to work with national stakeholders in the series of Summits being held. The theme of the HPN Fall Summit was "**Artificial Intelligence & Advanced Technology in Healthcare**" which was held September 25-29, 2018, in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. (Please see attached for summary and links.)

The theme of the HPN Spring Summit was "**Industry Impact on Healthcare & the Workforce**" which was held April 3-5, 2019, in Cincinnati, OH. (Please see attached for summary and links.)

The HPN hosted the "**Association Summit**," held in Chicago, IL, July 26-27, 2017. The next \$20Mil idea could come from this Summit. Conversations at a 2010 summit hosted by the Health Professions Network resulted in the organization of the Health Professions Pathways Consortium (H2P), a collaborative initiative which was awarded a \$19.6Mil grant. Additional work was done to develop the summary. (Please see attached HPN State of the Industry white paper)

The HPN continues to work with national stakeholders on disseminating the DOL's "[Fundamentals of Health Care Competency Model](#)" across the U.S. (Please see attached Competencies White Paper.)

Additional HPN notes:

The HPN continues working to implement a two-pronged consumer awareness campaign: One, to create awareness of the health professions and the career opportunities in these

fields; two, to address the more fundamental issues (lack of clinical sites, shortage of faculty, inadequate program funding, issues with credentialing and licensure). The economic downturn, for the short term, has obviated the need for the first goal—awareness of the health professions is already there—so now we must face the second challenge.

The HPN will continue to further develop its relationships with HRSA, DOL, DOE, etc., to potentially complement national missions and initiatives.

The HPN is working to strengthen the organization, communicate membership benefits to a larger audience, recruit and engage new members and organizations, develop revenue-generating activities, and enhance relationships with other key health care organizations, to ensure a two-way dialogue between HPN and member organizations. Other goals include:

- Increase public awareness of the health professions
- Recruit students into health care fields
- Serve as an informational resource for policy makers re: health workforce
- Undertake a multifaceted communications plan and PR campaign (making use of Web 2.0 and social media networking)

HPN Meeting schedule for 2019-2020

Fall 2019, Oct 1-5, 2019
Spring 2020, TBD

Albuquerque, NM
TBD

Request for Action: None

Rationale: N/A

*If you need access to the HPN Summit Presentations, please contact Dan Olson at Dan.Olson.Aloha@comcast.net