

OAA Bulletin

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Submit an Abstract for the 2023 DEO Conference Poster Session!

The Office of Academic Affiliations (OAA) is now accepting [abstract submissions](#) for poster presentations for the 2023 DEO Conference in Chicago, IL, August 22 - 24. Authors are encouraged to submit abstracts related to the 2023 conference theme: Discover, Empower and Optimize. The abstract submission deadline is April 28. Please submit all abstracts to Kimberly Uhl at kimberly.uhl@va.gov.



Updated OAA/Minority Serving Institution Geo-Mapping Tool

The [OAA/Minority Serving Institution \(MSI\) geo-mapping tool](#) has been updated with data from the Academic Year 2021-2022 OAA Health Services Training (HST) Report and the United States Department of Education. Updates to this tool include new map layers for all American Native, Native Hawaiian institutions, and Native American Serving Non-Tribal Institutions. All health professions education programs offered at MSIs are now displayed on the map and are not limited to high priority professions. Before setting up a new affiliation, please make sure that the health education program is accredited by the recognized professional accreditation agency. This information is detailed in the updated web application.

VA Postdoctoral Verification Agreement Requirement Reminder

In addition to completing the TQCVL, the Psychology Postdoctoral Verification Agreement must be completed for all incoming psychology postdoctoral residents and advanced fellows to ensure that they meet all doctoral degree requirements prior to the start of postdoctoral training. The verification agreement is available at [VA Psychology Postdoctoral Verification Agreement](#) or under the "Templates" tab on the [OAA SharePoint site](#). Please direct any questions to the [OAA Help Desk](#) under Associated Health/Allied Health Inquires.

Post-Match Allocations

Graduate Medical Education (GME) and Associated Health Education (AHE) post-match allocations are open to VA facilities March 27 - May 5 and to VISNs May 5 - 18. For questions or assistance, please contact Roschelle Manigold at Roschelle.Manigold@va.gov.

VA's Academic Mission in the News and Trainee Spotlight

OAA is pleased to share recent news stories highlighting VA's academic mission and our HPTs. Please consider submitting your HPTs to be featured in an upcoming OAA Bulletin or VA national stories. Please complete the [Trainee](#)

[Spotlight Story Questionnaire](#) to submit a nomination. Share your successes, news, and story ideas with OAA's Public Affairs Team, Tonya Lobbestael at tonya.lobbestael@va.gov.

- Dr. Shereef Elnahal's op-ed: [How VA develops highly skilled compassionate health professionals \(militarytimes.com\)](#)
- [Veteran Healers](#) – INSIGHT Into Diversity interview with Dr. Erin Patel

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