CPA Accreditation Panel
Conversation Session

76th Annual CPA Convention
Ottawa, On
June 5, 2015
As of June 2015, CPA accredits 68 programs total:

- **33 doctoral** programs
  - 25 clinical, 5 counselling, 1 neuro, 2 school/clinical

- **35 internship** programs
  - 30 clinical, 2 counselling, 3 neuro, 0 school
Key Panel Activities in 2014-15:

• Congratulations to 2 new accredited internship programs
  – BC Mental Health & Substance Use Services (BC MH SUS) Clinical Forensic Psychology Internship Program
  – Northern Ontario Psychology Internship Consortium (NORPIC)

• 12 programs re-accredited at Fall and Spring meetings

• 10 re-accreditations currently in progress

• Plus 1 new doc & 3 new int programs under review
Activities Continued:

- Recruiting for new Panel members
  - Huge thank you to departing Panel members Drs. Elizabeth Ivanochko, Rebecca Mills & Sandra Clark
  - Spring 2015
    - Welcome to Dr. Judy Wiener & Dr. Ada Sinacore
  - Fall 2015 meeting
    - Welcome to Dr. Jo Anne Savoie
  - Open positions: Fall 2015=1, Spring 2016=1 or 2

- Contact accreditation@cpa.ca for more info
Activities Continued:

• ASPPB Fall 2014 meeting

• CCTC Fall 2014 & Spring 2015 meetings

• AAAC Spring 2015 meeting & Board Member-at-Large

• CPA-APA First Street Accord meeting Spring 2015
Activities Continued:

- New Annual Report deadline: September 15
- Updating of SS, AR, and public disclosure forms
- Assignment of programs to SS submission periods

- *Accreditation Update* newsletter – Vol 1, Issues 1 and 2
  - [http://www.cpa.ca/accreditation/resources/newsletters](http://www.cpa.ca/accreditation/resources/newsletters)

- New site visit scheduling system
- Site visitor survey
For your input & feedback:

• CPA-APA 1st Street Accord & end of APA Acc in Canada
  – What do you see as the value of the Accord?
  – Is the Accord serving its intended purpose?
  – What challenges to mobility do students face at each level?
    • Graduate school
    • Internship
    • Post-doctorate
    • Licensure/registration
  – What can CPA (& APA-CCPPP-CCTC-APPIC-ASPPB-ACPRO) do to disseminate information about the Accord/mobility?
Discussion of Accord:

- Value in demonstrating equivalency of systems of CPA and APA Accreditation
- Some programs have found the Accord helpful in advocating to HR for hiring interns from the US – although visa and citizenship issues still present a challenge for many sites
- APPIC has recently formed a Visa Task Group to help address the visa/citizenship issues
- Important to disseminate info about Accord through CPA and APA student sections, as well as other DoT groups
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