

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>
- 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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