



THE GREAT LAKES ASSOCIATION OF ORTHODONTISTS

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AAO/GLAO COUNCIL POSITION OPEN!

AAO Council on Orthodontic Health Care (COHC):

Members of the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists serve as our representative to all Councils of the AAO. Dr. Greg Oppenhuizen will conclude his term as the GLAO Representative to the COHC in 2020. The GLAO Leadership is seeking interested and qualified candidates beginning their term in May, 2020. **If you are interested in serving the GLAO in this capacity, please submit a letter of interest and CV to the GLAO office GLAO@AssnOffices.com, no later than **February 3, 2020**.** The GLAO Board will make this appointment in March, 2020 at the Ad Interim Board Meeting.

If you have any questions about this council position, please contact Dr. Greg Oppenhuizen (616/392-1435; doctorgjo@gmail.com) or the GLAO office (877/274-6420; GLAO@AssnOffices.com). Thank you for your consideration!

QUALIFICATIONS:

- All members of the councils must be active members in good standing of the American Association of Orthodontists with the exception that council members who are reclassified as retired while serving their elected term shall remain eligible to complete such elected term.
- The primary professional activity of representatives may be in the private practice or in orthodontic education.

TERM:

- The term of a Council Representative shall be 2 years (beginning and ending at the AAO Annual Session). Individuals are eligible for reappointment, with a maximum of 3, two-year terms (6 years).

DUTIES:

The duties of this Council shall be to:

- Consult and interact with appropriate organizations concerned with providing or facilitating the delivery of orthodontic health care;
- Study and make recommendations on all matters concerning third party reimbursement plans that are related to orthodontic care; and
- Study and make recommendations to improve the oral health care of the public by expanding access to quality orthodontic care.
- Represent the GLAO in all matters pertinent to orthodontic health care.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Attend all COHC meetings. At present, there is only one face to face meeting in St. Louis in the summer. The winter (January) meeting is by teleconference.
- Maintain communication with COHC through email and conference calls as needed
- GLAO Council Members are required to attend the GLAO Ad Interim Board Meeting (a Friday through Sunday meeting held in March) and the GLAO Annual Board Meeting (held in conjunction with the GLAO Annual Session in the fall).
- GLAO Council Members are required to provide a written report (via email) for the GLAO News (spring and fall) and GLAO Board Meeting (Ad Interim and Annual Meeting).
- Council members must have a laptop computer with internet access, as GLAO meetings are paperless.
- Council members must utilize email as a primary tool for communication.

ESSENTIAL ATTRIBUTES:

Based on the council responsibilities it would be helpful for council members to have the following expertise and interest:

- Special interest in access to care and a general working knowledge of the AAO Donated Orthodontic Services (DOS) program
- Knowledge and participation in cleft palate and cranio-facial diagnosis and treatment
- An affinity and general knowledge of orthodontic coding and insurance industry interface