



THE GREAT LAKES ASSOCIATION OF ORTHODONTISTS

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AAO/GLAO COUNCIL POSITION OPEN!

AAO Council on Governmental Affairs (COGA):

Members of the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists serve as our representative to all Councils of the AAO. Dr. Valerie Martone, the current COGA Representative, was appointed to fulfill the remaining term for Dr. Dale Anne Featheringham who assumed the role of Trustee At-large. The GLAO Leadership is seeking interested and qualified candidates beginning their term in May, 2022. **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 1, 2022.** The GLAO Board will make this appointment in March, 2018 at the Ad Interim Board Meeting.

If you have any questions about this council position, please contact Dr. Valerie Martone, (valeriemartone2@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 office of members of councils shall be two (2) years.
- Individuals are eligible for reappointment, by the GLAO, with a maximum of 3, two-year terms (6 years).

DUTIES:

- Study, consider and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees and the House of Delegates concerning legislation that may affect the practice of orthodontics.
- Formulate and recommend policies related to legislative and regulatory issues and to governmental agency programs.

- Monitor the action of governmental bodies and agencies and health associations in regard to legislative and regulatory initiatives at state and federal levels for those matters which may affect the specialty of orthodontics.

AAO RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Council members meet twice a year in DC and are responsible for keeping up with AAO legislative activity and participating in the Professional Advocacy Conference.
- Council members should have interest in communications of AAO policy to law makers. Face to face meetings with legislators and staff are an integral part of COGA's responsibilities.

GLAO RESPONSIBILITIES:

- GLAO Council Members are required to attend and participate in AAO Council meetings.
- GLAO Council Members are required to attend the GLAO Ad Interim Board Meeting (a Friday through Saturday 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 e-News (produced quarterly) and GLAO Board Meetings (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 and be responsive.

ESSENTIAL ATTRIBUTES:

- Interest in governmental policy as it relates to the AAO and the practice of orthodontics.