



# Downeast Association of Physician Assistants

## DEAPA E-News Brief

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Maine's 126th Legislature is about to begin their work and DEAPA has been busy working on draft legislation.

The Government Affairs Committee draft legislation focuses on three key areas:

1. Clarify the PAs authority to delegate to Medical Assistants basic duties to assist in practice.
2. Physician Assistant position on both medical licensing boards.
3. One Chapter of rules governing all PAs, regardless of which medical board issues your license.

### Here is how you can help: JOIN DEAPA!!

Join the DEAPA Government Affairs Committee. Next meeting is Wednesday, January 9th at 8pm via conference call. Call in number is 1-218-862-7200. Access Code is 448-896. All PAs are welcome!

Contact your Senator and/or Representative today to request a meeting. Notify DEAPA when you have scheduled your meeting. DEAPA can assist you with talking points about the draft legislation. In the meeting discuss what you do as a PA.

**Not sure who your Senator or Representative is??  
Go to <http://www.maine.gov/legis/house/townlist.htm>**

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**Mark your calendar for PA Day at the Legislature: March 19, 2013**

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### DEAPA Annual Membership Meeting

Wednesday, February 6, 2013, 4:30pm

This meeting will be in conjunction with the Winter Conference.

In person attendance is preferred, but you do have the option to call in. Call in number is 1-218-862-7200. Access Code is 448-896.

All Board Members, Committee Chairs & Committee Members are encouraged to attend.

Those who chair a committee, please send your reports to Maureen by Feb 1st.

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# DEAPA Board Members

This year UNE students are excited to be organizing an interactive **Student Leadership Summit** for the annual DEAPA CME conference and **we are looking for your help!**

On February 8<sup>th</sup> from 1030-1130 we plan to have Mike Milner, the current dean for Mass College of Pharm PA program and former rear admiral to the US Surgeon General, speak about leadership opportunities for us as PAs. We would then like to have a panel of 5-10 current PAs talk from 1130-1230 about their unique volunteer or leadership experiences that are rewarding in their lives that can help inspire and educate the current PAs and student PAs at the summit.

I know that all of you have valuable information to share from your time as board members, as well as many of your other interesting endeavors. I am writing a letter for the newsletter to try to gain participation from other PAs, however I would love if any of you would be interested in being involved. Additionally if you know any other PAs that may be interested I would appreciate you reaching out to them and forwarding this on for me.

If you are interested in participating in the panel please contact Nilaya Palmer PA-S, [npalmer1@une.edu](mailto:npalmer1@une.edu). I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your interest and help in making this a great Student Leadership Summit for all to attend this year!

Sincerely,  
Nilaya Palmer PA-S  
DEAPA student representative UNE class of 2014

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## UNE/Maine Geriatric Education Center

### Preparing for the Future:

### Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementias

New Horizons in Diagnosis, Treatment, Screening Tools,  
Clinical Trials and Resources for Caregivers to  
Facilitate Person-Centered Coordinated Care

Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants and  
their office practices, as well as all health professionals who  
care for adults and families affected by Alzheimer's Disease.

## Save the Date(s)!

**March 13, 2013 in Freeport or June 15, 2013 in Bar Harbor**  
**No Cost!! Registration Details Coming Soon!!**

Downeast Association of Physician Assistants  
23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Winter CME Conference  
February 6-9, 2013  
Sunday River Resort

To register on-line go to: [deapa.com](http://deapa.com)

Session Topics Include:

- ◆ Overdoses & PMP Database
  - ◆ Complementary Medicine after Breast Cancer Treatment
  - ◆ Affordable Care Act
  - ◆ Pediatrics 5210
- ◆ 2 hours of CME Requirements for Maine PAs with Schedule II prescribing privilege



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Additional hotel information can be found at [www.sundayriver.com/lodging/LodgingDescriptions/GrandSummitHotel.html](http://www.sundayriver.com/lodging/LodgingDescriptions/GrandSummitHotel.html)

