

JUNIOR OFFICER ADVISORY GROUP (JOAG)
UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE



DATE: February 3, 2011

TO: Pharmacist Professional Advisory Committee

FROM: LCDR Yvette Waples

SUBJECT: JOAG Liaison Report – INFORMATION

- The 2011 JOAG Call for Award Nominations is now open. If you know of an outstanding junior officer or senior officer (VADM Richard H. Carmona Inspiration Award only) please consider nominating them. Self-nominations are welcomed and encouraged for the junior officer awards. Please visit the Awards section of the JOAG Website (http://www.usphs.gov/corpslinks/joag/index_files/Awards.htm) for more details on the JOAG Excellence Award, Junior Officer of the Year Award, and the VADM Richard H. Carmona Inspiration Award.
- The JOAG Development Committee would like to announce this year's Annual **T-Shirt Slogan** contest. Each year, junior officers are given the opportunity to submit a "Serious" and "Funny" slogan for the contest. The winners will receive a **Free T-Shirt** with both of the slogans written on it. In the past, junior officers were given the free range to submit a slogan on any topic area regarding the USPHS, and we will continue to follow this guideline for the "Funny" slogan. However, for the "Serious" slogan, we have decided to utilize the theme of the 2011 COF Symposium, "*Public Health Leadership: The Key to a Healthier Nation*" for the topic area. Please submit slogans to either **LCDR Monica Jessup at Monica.Jessup@hhs.gov** or **LT Tricia Booker at tricia_booker@yahoo.com**. The deadline for all submissions is **Monday, February 21, 2011**. We are hoping to announce the winners sometime in March 2011.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact LCDR Jessup or LT Booker.

- The JOAG Development Committee is happy to announce that USPHS coin racks are now available for pre-order for \$26/rack plus \$5/shipping and handling. We ordered a limited supply to sell prior to the 2011 COF Symposium and plan to order additional racks for onsite sales. If you have been waiting to get a coin rack or are not planning to attend this year's COF Symposium, do not miss this opportunity. In addition, USPHS Core Value Coins and JOAG medallions are also available to order (\$10/coin plus \$1/s&h per coin). All officers interested in pre-ordering coin racks or placing an order for challenge coins should visit the Merchandise section of the JOAG website to view ordering instructions and order form: http://www.usphs.gov/corpslinks/JOAG/index_files/Merchandise.htm.

Questions related to ordering merchandise should be sent to LCDR Robin Toblin, JOAG Financial Liaison, at robin.l.toblin@us.army.mil.

NEXT JOAG MEETING:

General Member Meeting February 11, 2011; 1300 - 1500 EST.

Journeyman Lecture Series Meeting March 11, 2011; 1300 - 1400 EST.

Call-in information will be provided via JOAG listserv prior to the meeting.