

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



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TO: Pharmacist Professional Advisory Committee

FROM: LCDR Yvette Waples

SUBJECT: JOAG Liaison Report – INFORMATION

JOAG has two big initiatives this year. These initiatives are high on the OSG priority list for JOAG. Please pay attention to the listserv for more information that will be forthcoming.

- Forward Thinking Workgroup chaired by LT Joel Nelson.
- Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) Workgroup chaired by LT Sam Schaffzin.

LTJG Tilghman is the editor for the next issue of the JOAG Journal to be completed in early December. Archived Issues of the Journal can be viewed from the JOAG Website <http://www.usphs.gov/corpslinks/joag/>, and clicking on "THE JOAG JOURNAL" from the left navigation pane. The Communications & Publications Committee's (CPC) goal is to issue 4 newsletters over the next year, if sufficient content exists. Please submit any ideas for articles to LT Coriz (corizc@nidk.nih.gov) or LTJG Tilghman (Tracy.Tilghman@foh.hhs.gov).

The Journeyman Series was held on Friday November 13th. Our guest speaker, CAPT Jonathan Mermin, spoke about Global Public Health Management and Policy. The next Journeyman Series will be held on Friday, January 8, 2010 (1300 EST). Our guest speaker CDR Ross Spears will be giving a presentation on Commissioned Corps Awards. Further details and call-in information will be disseminated through the JOAG listserv.

Planning for the 2010 USPHS Scientific and Training Symposium is well under way. If you any ideas for merchandise, please contact LCDR Janisko (Thomas.Janisko@hhs.gov).

The next JOAG General Membership Meeting will be held December 11th 1300-1500 EST. Call-in information will be provided via JOAG listserv prior to the meeting. Recordings of the JOAG Meetings and Journeyman Series are available 'on demand' from the CPC. Please contact LT Patel (Hiren.Patel@fda.hhs.gov).