



## College of Health Professions

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### For Your Information – September 18, 2013

**Promotion and tenure guidelines to be reviewed** – A new task group has been appointed by Dean Douglas Murphy to take a fresh look at the College of Health Professions' promotion and tenure guidelines. The dean asked the group to:

- Critically review the existing Promotion and Tenure Guidelines (2002);
- Ascertain their effectiveness as a tool to promote the mission of the college; and
- Make recommendations for revising the (a) criteria for promotion and tenure, (b) membership requirements for the Promotion and Tenure Committee, (c) promotion and tenure process, and (d) other aspects of the guidelines deemed by the task group to be in need of improvement

The task group, chaired by **Danny Bercher**, chair of Emergency Medical Sciences and past chair of the Promotion and Tenure Committee, includes **Erna Boone**, chair of Respiratory and Surgical Technologies and current chair of the Promotion and Tenure Committee; **Tonya Cook**, Respiratory and Surgical Technologies; **Mitzi Efurd**, chair of Dental Hygiene; **Trish Kelly**, chair of Physician Assistant Studies; **Susan Long**, associate dean for academic affairs; **Catherine Smith**, Laboratory Sciences; **Richard Zraick**, Audiology and Speech Pathology; and **Mark Zoeller**, Dental Hygiene and member of the Promotion and Tenure Committee.

The task group has met one time already to lay out their work plan for the coming year. The plan includes opportunities for faculty – tenured, tenure-track, and non-tenure track – to give input. The task group will use a major portion of the Fall Faculty Meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup> to gather information for their review. All faculty are encouraged to contact Danny Bercher or any other member of the task group to discuss concerns, ideas, and questions.

### Timely Matters

**September 17 (Yesterday) – Deadline for students to confirm health insurance coverage;** students not confirmed will be locked out of network (Blackboard, library, email, etc.). Students locked out should contact **Nakia Dedner**, Campus Life and Student Services, at (501) 686-6973 or [dednernakiaa@uams.edu](mailto:dednernakiaa@uams.edu)

**September 26 (Thursday), 1:00-3:00 – FERPA Webinar**, 226 I Dodd Wilson Building; anyone who deals with student records is encouraged to attend

**October 11 (Friday), 12:00-1:30 – College of Health Professions Fall Faculty Meeting**, 226 I Dodd Wilson Building

**October 23 (Wednesday), 10:00-12:00 – College of Health Professions Flu Shot Clinic**, Building 6A; get your mandatory, but free, flu shot close to home



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