



## **-2006 ELECTIONS ARE HERE- UOAA. INC. WANTS YOU TO RUN!!**

To: ASG Contacts

From: Ginnie Kasten, Chair, UOAA Nominating and Elections Committee

UOAA, Inc. will be holding its first election this fall, with the candidates slated to take office on January 1, 2007. All affiliated support groups will receive the ballots via e-mail. For this election, the votes an ASG casts will depend on the members they have reported to UOAA, Inc. on their affiliation application. Here is what you need to know:

### **Officers to be elected:**

- President – serves for 3 year term
- President Elect – serves for 3 year term
- Vice President – serves for 3 year term
- Secretary – serves for initial 3 year term and is eligible to serve for additional 3 year terms
- Treasurer – serves for initial 3 year term and is eligible to serve for additional 3 year terms
- Directors - 4 (four) at large Directors will be elected as follows and can serve for two consecutive terms:
  - The Director getting the most votes will be elected for a two year term
  - The director getting the second most votes will be elected for a two year term
  - The director getting the third most votes will be elected for a one year term
  - The director getting the fourth most votes will be elected for a one year term

### **Qualifications**

- Candidates for the office of President, President-Elect and Vice President must have, or have had, a bowel or urinary diversion
- It is desirable that candidates for the offices of Secretary and Treasurer have, or have had a bowel or urinary diversion, but it is not a requirement
- Candidates for a Directorship need not have a bowel or urinary diversion
- All candidates shall be active members of an ASG and receive a recommendation from a member of their group
- Candidates for the office of President, President-Elect and Vice President shall possess leadership skills gained through service on the UOAA MBoD, in an ASG, an allied agency, or in a corporate environment

- ❑ Candidates for Secretary should possess the necessary equipment operation skills and command of the English language necessary to prepare minutes of meetings and written correspondence
- ❑ Candidates for Treasurer should possess the necessary accounting skills, financial planning, budget preparation/management and control expected in the person responsible for the organization's fiscal control
  - Treasurer candidates shall be bondable
- ❑ Candidates for Director shall have an active level of service in an ASG, or a notable background of professional medical, educational or social service to the bowel and urinary diversion community
- ❑ Candidates for the MBoD shall not be members of corporations that manufacture or distribute bowel or urinary diversion products or services
- ❑ Medical professionals may be candidates if they possess the necessary qualifications listed above

### **Time line for the election process:**

- **July 1<sup>st</sup>:** The Nominating and Election Committee will contact the Affiliated Support Groups seeking nominations
- **September 1<sup>st</sup>:** Deadline for the submission of candidates to the Nominating and Election Committee
- **September 30<sup>th</sup>:** Ballots and accompanying documentation are sent by the Nominating and Election Committee to the Office Administrator
- **October 1<sup>st</sup>:** Office Administrator e-mails ballots and accompanying documentation to the Affiliated Support Groups
- **November 15<sup>th</sup>:** Deadline for submission of ballots to the Office Administrator
- **November 16<sup>th</sup>:** Office Administrator forwards ballots to the Nominating and Election Committee for tabulation
- **December 1<sup>st</sup>:** Nominating and Election Committee chair announces results of election to the Managing Board of Directors and the Office Administrator
- **December 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Office Administrator e-mails results of election to Affiliated Support Groups
- **December 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Incumbent President communicates results of the election to all candidates
- **January 1<sup>st</sup>:** Newly elected Officers and Directors take office

Again, only ASGs will be casting ballots for the candidates running. We encourage you to solicit candidates from your own group and to complete the attached application and return to:

Ginnie Kasten, Chair of the Nominating & Election Committee

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Nominating & Election Committee members include: Mary Beth Akers, Stanley Cooper, Kathy DiPonio, Kellie Stritman and Steve Strizic

**Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to receiving the applications of those interested in guiding the organization into the future.**