2005 Annual Report

National Commission on Orthotic and Prosthetic Education
Chairman’s Message

Dear O&P Colleagues:

As in previous years, 2005 began with an ambitious agenda that included: the O&P Education Summit; continued development of outcome standards; evaluation and reaccreditation of two practitioner-level programs; and development and enhancement of the current residency research project. Due to the tireless efforts of our Executive Director Robin Seabrook and all of our commissioners, 2005 proved to be a productive and successful year.

Clearly NCOPE’s chief focus last year was the O&P Education Summit, held April 8-9, 2005 in New Orleans, La. The meeting, funded by the Academy through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education and in part by NCOPE, brought together more the 30 content experts in an effort to critically assess the current state of O&P education in the United States. Broad consensus was reached among participants regarding the current challenges facing our profession and the necessary objectives to meet these challenges. These objectives were further defined into eight specific recommendations. Salient among these was the recommendation that O&P practitioner education transition to entry-level master’s education. As a result, NCOPE has begun the careful process of review as it considers the implementation of these recommendations and the ultimate goal of enhancing patient care.

In 2005, we also saw NCOPE draw one step closer to outcomes-based standards, as both ABC and the Academy have formally adopted the new standards. The final step will be an open hearing in the spring of 2006, as CAAHEP considers formal recognition of the new O&P outcomes-based standards.

During 2005 we also saw the five-year reaccreditation of two long-standing programs: California State University, Dominguez Hills, and Century College. Unfortunately, the profession also lost one of its long-standing education programs with the closing of the Rancho Los Amigos orthotics certificate program. While this closing is sad for both the profession and education, we would be remiss if we did not specifically applaud the programs director, Mr. Darrell Clark. Without him, O&P education would not be where it is today. We thank Darrell for his overwhelming contribution to education and his many years of service.
In addition to programmatic accreditation, NCOPE was busy reviewing the current status of the resident research project. The review and recommendations at the committee level will help assist NCOPE as it works to improve not only the process for the resident project, but the overall quality of resident projects as well.

As the 2006 term is already upon us, we look forward to our first strategic planning meeting that will deal specifically with the recommendation to move toward entry-level master’s education. We also look forward to future collaboration with the sister organizations as we work to advance the profession of O&P together. Finally, I would like to thank all of the organizations and individuals that have supported education over the years and ask for your continued support as we look forward to a productive and successful 2006.

Sincerely,

Bryan S. Malas, MHPE, CO
Chairman
Accreditation at a Glance 2005

During 2005, NCOPE performed accreditation services for the following programs:

**Education Programs**

**Practitioner Level**

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<th>Institution</th>
<th>Details</th>
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<tr>
<td>California State University</td>
<td>Reviewed on-site visit report from December 2004 visit. Granted five-year accreditation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Century College</td>
<td>On-site visit and granted five-year accreditation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Eastern Michigan</td>
<td>Reviewed additional information as a result of on-site visit. Program continued developmental accreditation for current class only. Focused on-site visit to occur in 2006.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rancho Los Amigos</td>
<td>Program voluntarily withdrew accreditation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>St. Petersburg College</td>
<td>Reviewed self-study report for accreditation.</td>
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<td>On-site visit scheduled for April 2006.</td>
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**Technician Level**

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<tr>
<td>Median School of Allied Health</td>
<td>Program continued inactive status.</td>
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Residency Accreditation Report

During 2005, NCOPE performed the following accreditation services:

Reviewed and accredited:  81 patient care facilities for residency programs

Tracked residents:  275 residents in the 2004-05 cycle

Completed residents:  224 residents completed in 2005
2005 Accredited Educational Programs Listing

Practitioner Level Programs (CAAHEP Accredited)

Masters = 1

Georgia Tech

Baccalaureate = 3

California State University
University of Texas
University of Washington

Post-Baccalaureate Certificate = 4

California State University
Century College
Newington Certificate Program
Northwestern University
**Assistant Level Programs (NCOPE Accredited)**

Associate Degree/Certificate = 1

Oklahoma State University - Okmulgee

**Technician Level Programs (NCOPE Accredited)**

Associate Degree/Certificate = 5

Century College
Baker College of Flint
Francis Tuttle Technology
Median School of Allied Health *
Spokane Falls Community College

*Median School requested and continued to be on inactive status for 2005
National Commission on Orthotic and Prosthetic Education

Statement of Activities

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<th>Years ended December 31</th>
<th>2005</th>
<th>2004</th>
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<td><strong>Revenue and support</strong></td>
<td>$ 347,062</td>
<td>$ 342,373</td>
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<td>Residency renewal fees</td>
<td>$ 267,233</td>
<td>$ 246,668</td>
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<td>Application fees</td>
<td>26,100</td>
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<td>School accreditation fees</td>
<td>9,000</td>
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<td>Contributions</td>
<td>40,000</td>
<td>51,000</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous</td>
<td>227</td>
<td>322</td>
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<td>Interest and dividends</td>
<td>4,502</td>
<td>2,733</td>
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<td><strong>Total revenue</strong></td>
<td>$ 347,062</td>
<td>$ 342,373</td>
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<th><strong>Expenses</strong></th>
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<td><strong>Program services:</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Residency accreditation</td>
<td>149,558</td>
<td>137,582</td>
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<td>Primary accreditation</td>
<td>145,613</td>
<td>130,720</td>
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<td>Governance</td>
<td>13,125</td>
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<td>$ 308,296</td>
<td>$ 287,035</td>
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<td>Change in unrestricted net assets before change in fair value of investments</td>
<td>38,766</td>
<td>55,338</td>
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<td>Change in fair value of investments, net</td>
<td>4,479</td>
<td>4,017</td>
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<td>Change in unrestricted net assets</td>
<td>43,245</td>
<td>59,355</td>
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<td>Net assets, beginning of year</td>
<td>$ 188,001</td>
<td>$ 128,646</td>
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<td>Net assets, end of year</td>
<td>$ 231,246</td>
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Statement of Financial Position

December 31

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<td><strong>Assets</strong></td>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
<td>$239,964</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
<td>159,412</td>
<td>133,319</td>
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<td>Accounts receivable and other assets</td>
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<td>Prepaid expenses</td>
<td>4,090</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>Furniture and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of $30,975 and $29,107, respectively</td>
<td>12,899</td>
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<td>Deposits</td>
<td>5,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total assets</strong></td>
<td>$421,365</td>
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<td><strong>Liabilities and net assets</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Liabilities:</strong></td>
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<td>Accounts payable and accrued expenses</td>
<td>$6,786</td>
<td>$7,844</td>
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<td>Accrued vacation</td>
<td>7,865</td>
<td>7,878</td>
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<td>Due to affiliates</td>
<td>55,934</td>
<td>50,959</td>
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<td>Deferred income</td>
<td>119,534</td>
<td>117,016</td>
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<td><strong>Total liabilities</strong></td>
<td>190,119</td>
<td>183,697</td>
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<td><strong>Net assets:</strong></td>
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2005 Officers and Commissioners

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Mission Statement

NCOPE’s mission is to be the recognized authority for the development and accreditation of O&P education and residency standards leading to competent patient care in the changing health care environment.

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NCOPE is a nonprofit national organization that works in cooperation with the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Accreditation Programs (CAAHEP) in accreditation activities for educational programs for the orthotics and prosthetics profession. NCOPE also accredits residency programs at O&P patient care facilities.