

Council Chair Election Report

July 28, 2011

Overview

Leadership for the Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice (Council) is provided by an elected Chair. The elections process and the requirements for election to this position are detailed in the Council's *Constitution and Bylaws*, Article VI – Council Leadership. According to the *Constitution and Bylaws*, the Council Chair is a Council Representative elected to serve a two year term. There is no limit to the number of terms a Representative can serve in this position. At the end of each two year term, an election is to be held. Council Representatives may nominate themselves or other Representatives for the position of Chair. All Council Representatives who have served a minimum of two years and have worked in public health practice are eligible for election. Each Council Member Organization, through its Representative, has one vote in the election, and the result of the election is determined by a majority affirmative vote.

2011 Election

With the reconstitution of the Council approximately two years ago and the completion of this spring's strategic planning, an election was set for summer 2011. On July 5, 2011, the elections process was begun with a request for nominations for the position of Council Chair. The nominations period concluded July 11, 2011. A single Council Representative was nominated: C. William Keck, MD, MPH, who represents the American Public Health Association. Voting was open from July 14-20, 2011. Dr. Keck was elected Chair of the Council.