

July 2018

A Message from the President



Dear Fellow CHID Certificants, Industry Partners and Colleagues,

As temperatures are rising across the country, AAHID is busy turning up the heat on building awareness for the CHID Certified Healthcare Interior Designer® certification program.

In April, AAHID attended the Environments for Aging (EFA) conference in Savannah, GA.

To build interest and awareness for CHID, we presented an Exam Prep Workshop to senior living/retirement community designers. We are grateful to have this visibility and are planning to return next year and present an educational session too!

AAHID is also pleased to recognize three new CHIDs who recently passed the certification examination in April. Congratulations to Christine Craik, Carmen Ho, and Leann Pederson. We are proud of your commitment to becoming certified and ensuring that the healthcare clients we serve have access to the most qualified interior designers possible. Our next exam is in October, and I look forward to updating you with more news about our growing program.

In June, five CHID certificants, including myself, were given the distinguished privilege to serve as healthcare entry judges for Best of NeoCon. We also had the opportunity to experience our industry partners' new and innovative products, as well as provide design input. We look forward to viewing many more new products at Healthcare Design in November.

Speaking of the HCD Conference and Expo, things will be getting even hotter, as we all gather in Phoenix in November. AAHID has several activities planned again for this year. We will have a booth on the exhibit floor and welcome all IPs, CHIDs and candidates to visit us and tell us about your experiences with our certificants! CHIDs will participate in a panel discussion entitled: *"Vinyl, Polyurethane, or Silicone? What you need to know to specify Durable Coated Fabrics for Healthcare."* The AAHID/Steelcase Health Student Fellowship recipient will present their award winning study. AAHID will conduct a CHID Exam Prep Workshop, so spread the word to colleagues who want to learn how to distinguish themselves with CHID certification. And, back by popular demand is our evening reception and annual meeting. It's a great opportunity to network, expose colleagues to the CHID experience and enjoy a relaxed social environment where we can celebrate our accomplishments. Watch your inbox over the next couple of months for communications offering more details on all of these activities.

As we look forward to increasing visibility and partnerships in the industry, we are excited about getting exposure for our CHID certificants. We have engaged in conversation with the editor-in-chief for both EFA magazine and HCD magazine, and are working out details to showcase our certificants in 2019 issues. Please [contact me](#) if you have a topic or are interested in providing thoughts for articles.

As always, please remember to spread the word and encourage potential CHIDs to submit their application for one of our [upcoming exams](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Libby Laguta". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Libby Laguta, CHID, EDAC, ACHE

THE CHID CERTIFICATION PROGRAM - Distinguish Yourself

If you are not currently CHID certified, and you are a healthcare interior designer, CHID Certified Healthcare Interior Designer® certification is the specialty certification that recognizes competence, commitment and knowledge.

Join a group of distinguished healthcare interior designers. Learn more about [CHID certification](#) and see if you qualify to sit for the exam.



APRIL 2019 CHID EXAM

Encourage your colleagues to sit for the exam

Share the benefits of CHID certification

Application and portfolio submission deadline: January 14, 2019

HELP US SPREAD THE WORD WITH YOUR TESTIMONIAL



"I got my CHID credential to set myself apart...having the credential, makes clear my area of expertise."

— Kristin Ellingsen, CHID IIDA EDAC

Stories like Kristin's help spread the word about the benefits of CHID certification. Share your experience with future CHID candidates. What was your motivation for becoming certified and what benefits do you realize today as a CHID?

Industry partners, we would like to hear from you too! Tell us about the value of working with CHIDs.

Send your testimonials to [AAHID](#). All testimonials will be subject to use in AAHID's market outreach to potential candidates as well as highlighted on [aahid.org](#).

Check out the most recent testimonial from [Spec Furniture](#)!

CHID CANDIDATE FORUMS - Coming to New Orleans & Nashville

AAHID is busy collaborating with our Industry Partners to advance the Candidate Forum program in cities throughout the United States. Interior design professionals, practicing in the healthcare space are invited to learn about the benefits of CHID and the exam process, plus engage in professional and social exchange with industry and organizational partners. Due to the generosity of our Industry Partners, those who attend a CHID Candidate Forum have the opportunity to enter a drawing to win a CHID exam scholarship.



Two more events are in the planning stage

On September 26, we will be in New Orleans. Supported by our host AOS, in their showroom, this event will also be sponsored by our Industry Partners: Carolina/CF Stinson, National, KI, Krug, Sit-on-It and IOA & Stance. This is an

ideal time to be in New Orleans since the Candidate Forum will take place on the eve of the 75th Anniversary Gala of AIA Louisiana. If you have colleagues that practice in the area, or will be in New Orleans at that time, please mention this event. As we get closer to the date, more details will be forthcoming. We will also be in Nashville later this year.

The success of the Candidate Forum program has created more opportunities to expand our reach and raise awareness for the CHID certification program. If you have an interest in participating in a Candidate Forum, contact info@aa hid.org for more information.

NEW 2018 CHID HEALTHCARE INTERIOR DESIGNER® CERTIFICANTS

Congratulations to our newest certificants. These individuals can now use the CHID credential, to distinguish their knowledge, skills, and expertise.



Christine Craik, CHID – Avenir Design Studio, Scottsdale, AZ

Carmen Ho, CHID – Studio + Architecture, Fort Myers, FL

Leann Pederson, CHID – RDG Planning & Design, Des Moines, IA

INDUSTRY PARTNER UPDATE

The continued support from all AAHID Industry Partners (IPs), brings value to professionals practicing in the field of healthcare interior design who are committed to transforming the healthcare environment into a healing environment. Their support is instrumental in advancing the CHID certification program.

Our Industry Partners are as Distinguished as our Certificants

Congratulations to the following AAHID IPs for winning the Best of Neocon in Healthcare

Healthcare Guest & Lounge Seating

Gold Award

Embold Collection
Steelcase

Silver Award

Palisade Collection
Herman Miller

Healthcare Patient Seating

Gold Award

Hardi Rocker
Spec Furniture

Healthcare Flooring

Gold Award

Garden Walk
Tarkett/Tandus Centiva

Innovation Award

Healthy Environments
Mohawk Group

View all AAHID [Industry Partners](#) and check out all the [Best of NeoCon](#).

Recognizing Industry Partners

We continue to acknowledge and support our Industry Partners through recognition in our communications, including the annual [Year-in-Review](#), promotions within industry event publications as well as [LinkedIn](#) posts and [aa hid.org](#) website announcements that highlight their specialized services and products.

For more information on:

- How to become an Industry Partner
- Sponsorship opportunities
- Connecting with CHIDs

INDUSTRY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

NeoCon's Distinguished Panel of Judges Includes Five CHIDs

NeoCon® This year 27 AAHID Industry Partners exhibited at NeoCon and 17 participated in the 29th Anniversary of the [Best of NeoCon](#). A team of 44 jurors, including interior designers, architects and facilities management professionals were tasked with judging the competition. A special shout-out to five of our very own CHIDs who were selected to serve as jurors.

- **Laura Ethridge Morris** CHID, IIDA, LEED BD+C
- **Janet Kobylka** NCIDQ, CHID, EDAC, LEED AP
- **Libby Laguta** NCIDQ, CHID, EDAC, ACHE
- **Lori McGilberry** NCIDQ, CHID, IIDA, CIDO, EDAC
- **Karen Muraoka** IIDA, ASID, CHID, NCIDQ

AAHID encourages CHID participation in Design Connections



October 7-9, 2018 Hyatt Lost Pines Resort and Spa, Austin, TX

[Design Connections](#) is an invitation-only, hosted summit that brings leading manufacturers and suppliers together with top designers, architects, purchasing agents, and specifiers for 2.5 days of unparalleled content and networking to advance knowledge and build relationships within the commercial interior design industry. The unique format of Design Connections allows for a high-level of peer-to-peer interaction and information sharing giving you the tools needed to turn ideas into reality. In appreciation for time spent out of office, all attendees are hosted, which includes airfare, accommodations, meals and registration.

Save the date and join AAHID at HCD in Phoenix, AZ November 10-13



Our involvement this year will include an AAHID moderated panel discussion featuring the topic "*Vinyl, Polyurethane, or Silicone? What you need to know to specify Durable Coated Fabrics for Healthcare*".

Back by popular demand we will be hosting the AAHID Annual Meeting & Reception, on Sunday, November 11 from 6:30-8:00pm. Made possible by the generous support of AAHID industry partners, this is a great opportunity to network and recognize our supporters, certifiants, board members, and volunteers.

We would like to especially acknowledge the following industry partners, who through their sponsorship, make this event possible. Updated as of July 30, 2018.

ALL IN!

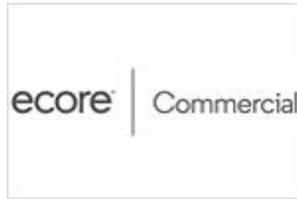
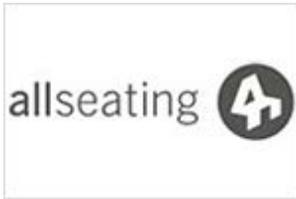




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