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**Coming Soon!
HLD Consultancy Network**

Did you ever wish you could locate an HLD alumni to present to your organization on a specialized topic? Or you could simply be looking for a lead on resources for a new project.

Maybe you're grappling with a problem and you wish you could talk it through with an HLD alum. Remember those Peer Consultancy sessions in HLD classes?

Someone in the HLD community may be able to help.

The HLD Alumni Association is working with the Hanley Center to set up a web-based HLD Consultancy Network that would be accessible through the current HLD website. Any HLD graduate could list an expertise they are willing to share through the network. And as an HLD alumni, you could search by topic or by name for an HLD alum to share their knowledge, to speak to your organization or present at an event.

We are currently working with an energetic and creative group of volunteers to design the consultancy network site to ensure that it is easy to access and to navigate. We plan to complete the design, solicit alumni listings and beta test the site over the summer. We hope to be ready to "go live" in the Fall.

HLD IV

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In the meantime, please contact [MaryAnn Amrich](#), HLD Alumni Association Board Chair if you have any questions, suggestions or ideas to share.

Vote Now!

Alumni Association Board Elections

It's time to hold elections for the available opportunities on the HLD Alumni Association Board.

Please take a moment to complete the questionnaire (it only requires a couple of minutes at most) and do your part to ensure the continued growth and health of the HLD Alumni Association.

In the ongoing spirit of bringing individuals and classes together, we have opened the voting to include the entire slate of nominees.

VOTE HERE!

Voting will be open until end of day on Friday, July 11th.

If you should have any questions, please contact [Chris Muffett](#) at 621.0677 ext. 215.

Alumni News

HLD I

Peter Sirois has been elected Secretary of the Maine Hospital Association, putting him in line to chair the statewide association in three years.



Julie Sullivan is the Acting Director for the City of Portland's Health and Human Services Department. For the past 10 years, she has served as the director for the city's public health division.



HLD II



Congratulations to **Julie Osgood**! She is one of just 15 students accepted into the [Executive Doctoral Program in Health Leadership](#) at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill - Gillings School of Global Public Health.

HLD V

Barbara Blackstone was featured in [Bangor Metro](#) Magazine, recognizing her work in developing the University of Maine Presque Isle's newly accredited Physical Therapist Assistant program.



Rhonda Selvin was re-elected as President of the Maine Nurse Practitioner Association.



Congrats to **Toho Somo** who is the Acting Director of the City of Portland's Public Health Division.



HLD VI

Cory LaPlante, CEO of Northern Prosthetics and Orthotics, was named Aroostook Entrepreneur of the year in May. In 2013, he was named both Maine and New England Entrepreneur of the Year by the federal Small Business Administration.



Congrats to MaineCare's **Michelle Probert!** She has been named Manager of Integrated Health Services at Bath Iron Works, succeeding **Chris McCarthy (HLD I)**.

In Other News

Sally Cooper (V), **Jamie Kuhn (I)**, **Bethany Picker (IV)**, and **Jamie Zeitlin (II)** have been named as McAfee Fellows and are participating in the third class of the Hanley Center's Physician Executive Leadership Institute Advanced Course.

HLD alumni were strongly represented at the 2014 Maine Minority Health Conference on June 13th. **Jim Harnar** and **Megan Hannan (III)**, Executive Director of the Frannie Peabody Center, gave the Keynote Addresses. **Kolawole Bankole (II)** was the lead organizer of the conference and provided the concluding address. **Jessica Loney (III)**, **Becca Matusovich (II)**, and **Kathy Vezina (I)** served as faculty at the conference.

HLD VIII Selection is Underway

Fourteen HLD alumni took part in the selection of HLD VIII, which will convene this September in Hallowell. That's the highest number of alumni participants in HLD's history and included alumni from every HLD class, another sign of strong post-HLD engagement.

This year's selection committee reviewed nearly 40 applications from across Maine. Those selected for this year's program will be informed this month. **HLD VIII will bring the total number of health and healthcare leaders in the HLD network to more than 260!**

Hanley Center Director Emerita **Meredith Tipton** chaired the selection committee for the eighth consecutive year. She told the selection committee late last month that she was enormously impressed with the caliber of this year's applicants. Meredith chaired the curriculum planning committee that developed HLD in 2006. **Kathy Vezina (I)** staffed the committee and organized the selected process.

Hanley Internship Program Thrives Thanks to Alumni Support

More than a dozen HLD alumni are hosting Hanley Summer Interns this summer from colleges and universities across Maine! [Click here](#) to learn more about the interns working with alumni this summer.

Hanley Center To Begin Search for Executive Director

The Hanley Center Board of Directors will begin a leadership search process this fall to identify a successor to **Jim Harnar**, the Center's longtime Executive Director and key figure in the development of the HLD program, who will retire in May 2015.

Although Jim hopes to remain involved in the Hanley Center beyond 2015, he will step away from his day-to-day management responsibilities.

A Search Committee was formed late last month and will work on a parallel path with the Hanley Center's strategic planning process which will soon be under way.

Readings on Leadership

Here are our newest recommendations for articles on leadership:

- [Managerial Incompetence: Is There a Skunk on the Table?](#) by Gordy Curphy, Robert Hogan and Joyce Hogan
- [15 Things Leaders Do Everyday](#) by Glenn Llopis
- [A Case for Servant Leadership](#) by Victor F. Trastek, MD, Neil Hamilton, JD and Emily Niles, JD