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## SHEA/CDC/AHA Course Is Again a Big Success

The most recent offering of the SHEA/CDC/AHA course at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, DC, May 7-10, 1994, again was oversubscribed and highly successful. It continues to be the most important source for information and hands-on practical experience for physicians and

other professionals entering the field of hospital epidemiology. Intensive problem-solving sessions are supplemented with lectures and seminars presented by leading authorities. The course in Washington, DC, had 130 attendees plus a waiting list. For those who would like to enroll, the

next offering of the SHEA/CDC/AHA Training Course in Hospital Epidemiology will be held next at the Hotel Inter-Continental in Chicago, Illinois, September 17-20, 1994. Watch for the brochures announcing the course in the near future, and sign up early.

### **SHEA Undergoes a Growth Spurt**

SHEA is in its fourteenth year and, as such, might be considered in its adolescence. As is common in adolescence, the Society seems to have entered a growth spurt. The Society has 60 new members for the period January 1 to April 30, 1994. The current membership stands at 965, and it would appear that the 1,000-member plateau will be reached by midyear. The Society would appear to have doubled its growth rate compared with previous years. It is hoped that Society membership will reach 1,100 by year's end.

We invite those persons who hold a doctorate degree and who work in the fields of healthcare epidemiology or infection control to apply for membership in the Society. We also invite fellows in training with an interest in healthcare epidemiology or infection control to apply for associate membership. Benefits of membership include a subscription to the Society journal *Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology*, a reduction in the registration fee for the annual meeting, receipt of the SHEA newsletter and SHEA membership directory, and free

advertising for positions in hospital epidemiology in the SHEA newsletter.

Persons who meet the membership criteria and who are interested in applying for membership in the society should contact Coley Lyons; Executive Director, SHEA; 875 Kings Highway, Suite 200; Woodbury, NJ 080963172. Telephone (609) 845-1636; FAX (609) 853-0411.

Brief items of interest for the SHEA News or Newsletter may be sent to C. Glen Mayhall, MD, SHEA, Newsletter Editor, Division of Infectious Diseases, Route 1092; The Former Shriner's Burns Bldg, Room 2-64B; University of Texas Medical Branch; Galveston, TX 77555-1092; FAX (409) 772-6527. Copy should be typed, double-spaced, and should not exceed five pages.











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