Q&A from PACAC IEC Membership Webinar
8/21/23

Q: Is retroactively applying new requirements to existing members fair?

A: While some questioned the fairness of this approach, PACAC recognizes that things have changed at the national level which prompted this change. Specifically, NACAC entered a consent decree that eliminated PACAC’s ability to monitor and enforce compliance with a code of ethics.

Q: I have benefited greatly from my PACAC membership, but don't have the time to fulfill the requirements for membership in another organization. What options are available to me?

A: You may decide to register as a for-profit entity instead. You will not be a voting member, but will still receive member-pricing for all PACAC events. Another option is to continue taking advantage of PACAC programming at the non-member rates.

Q: Can I make alternative suggestions for the committee to consider?

A: The Ad Hoc committee spent a year researching and engaging with these questions and ultimately made recommendations which were unanimously approved by the 2022-23 and 2023-24 executive committees. These recommendations will be implemented.

Q: Can PACAC offer its own credential?

A: PACAC is not looking to become a licensing organization.

Q: Will IECs be required to upload proof of membership to a portal?

A: No. We will operate on the honor system unless a complaint is lodged in which case we will check with the organization.

Q: How much is NACAC Membership and what is involved?

A: IEC Membership criteria for NACAC Membership. Current annual NACAC Membership for IEC’s: $225

Q: How can I learn more about AICEP, the only available credentialing body for IECs?

A: Becoming a CEP includes an application process and an assessment of college knowledge and situational questions. Additional resources for AICEP:
• Now is the Time to Become a CEP
• Why Become a Certified Educational Planner
• What You Need to Know About Becoming a CEP
• Take a Tour of the Online AICEP Assessment
• Taking and Acing the Assessment
• The CEP Assessment Designed to Help You Show What You Know