Plans for the Healthcare Professional Interest Section (H-PIS) events and workshops at the 137th Congress of Correction in Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 10-15, are under way. The congress kicks off for H-PIS members with an evening welcome reception on Friday, Aug. 10. More than 50 workshops have been scheduled on topics such as:

- team building for treatment and security;
- the impact of substance abuse on oral health;
- interventions for inmates with mental illness;
- gender-specific services for adult and juvenile female offenders;
- disaster management preparedness;
- sex offender treatment;
- health issues in small jails and aftercare;
- the role of clinical pharmacists in correctional settings;
- inmate suicide;
- ethical and legal issues; and
- contract compliance and bill adjudication.

Also, included in your H-PIS registration is a luncheon on Saturday, Aug. 11, that will feature a presentation on pandemic flu. In addition, on Sunday, Aug. 12, there will be a breakfast roundtable discussion on clinical guidelines for HIV treatment and a luncheon that will examine Hepatitis C in corrections.

H-PIS members receive discounted conference registration so make plans now to attend the Kansas City Congress of Correction. Registration information is available on ACA’s Web site at www.aca.org.

H-PIS was created to assist the profession in forming successful working partnerships between treatment and security. It is the only program of its kind that encompasses all jobs related to health care and correctional security to achieve professional operations in corrections. Many of ACA’s workshops combine treatment and security topics, allowing for a broad spectrum of professional development opportunities.

New Health Care Journal Call for Submissions

Correctional Health Today (CHT), the interdisciplinary, peer-reviewed journal of ACA’s Healthcare Professional Interest Section, is seeking quality submissions for upcoming issues. CHT will include articles on a range of correctional health care issues in all areas of corrections — adult, juvenile, jails and community/reentry. All peer-reviewed articles must meet rigorous standards and can represent a broad range of topics including medical and mental health care, nursing, pharmacy, dentistry, legal and ethical issues, administration, and public health.

CHT is published twice a year and is available to section members in both print and electronic versions. Our review process allows for a thorough analysis by expert peer-reviewers with a timeframe that is often less than other journals.

Authors should follow the Publications Manual of the American Psychological Association, Fifth Edition, guidelines for manuscript preparation. Submission criteria can be found at www.aca.org or you may contact the managing editor at CHTeditor@aca.org.