



Dear Colleagues,

Over the years and long before I joined the Executive I have been most impressed by the passion for our specialty and the dedication of those involved with the Academy. We owe a debt of gratitude to those men and women that have selflessly given to our profession and established the Academy as the National voice of Periodontists. The current Executive, our office staff, representatives and committees continue to make indispensable contribution to the vitality of the CAP and it is truly an honour and privilege to work with this wonderful group of dedicated professionals.

Since our last Annual General Meeting the Executive has kept active. In addition to its regular teleconferences, liaison work, ongoing communication and networking activities the Executive met in Toronto to conduct strategic planning work to develop a plan that will provide clear strategic direction towards ensuring future success of the Academy. The Executive contemporized the Academy's mission statement, developed a vision for the organization's future and are determining the necessary priorities, procedures, and strategies to achieve that vision. This ongoing work will enable the CAP to look into the future in a systematic way and help assure the CAP remains relevant and responsive to the ever changing landscape of our specialty.

The Academy is vibrant and continues to evolve to better *“support success of its members, promote excellence in the practice of periodontics and in partnership advance the periodontal health of the public as an integral part of optimal oral and general health”*.

Respectfully,

Dr. Jean-Pierre Picard
President

