Benefits of Joining the National Association of State Student Grant and Aid Programs (NASSGAP)

NASSGAP members possess comprehensive knowledge and experience in the administration of state programs including grants, loans, early intervention programs, college savings plans, prepaid tuition programs and other funding opportunities.

Membership in NASSGAP provides the following opportunities and services:

• Annual conference that offers timely information and networking opportunities.

• Annual Survey of State Financial Aid Programs.

• The NASSGAP Listserv provides a platform for discussing issues related to state and federal student financial aid with state financial aid agency colleagues.

• The Federal Relations Committee and Washington, DC liaison advocate on behalf of the states with appropriate officials in Washington, DC including the U.S. Department of Education, Capitol Hill and other education associations. NASSGAP leadership has been invited to meetings with majority and minority Education committee staff in both the Senate and House, as well as to meetings at the White House to provide state perspectives on higher education initiatives and legislation.

• The Federal Relations Committee and Washington, DC liaison provide regular updates and answer questions on federal issues important to state financial aid programs.

• The ED/Technical Forms Committee coordinates representation of the states’ needs and concerns regarding FAFSA design with members of NASSGAP serving on the US Department of Education’s FAFSA design advisory committee.

• NASSGAP’s website provides public access to information about scheduled conferences, the membership directory (including current board members and committee chairs), research, and survey results.

• NASSGAP’s website provides “members only” access to the NASSGAP Virtual Office, where members can query stored data and post poll questions and surveys directly to the membership.