



Spring 2018 Newsletter

Greetings! Below you will find an update on important SPCTPD issues including those discussed at our March session at the American College of Cardiology meeting in Orlando, FL. Additionally, **please take this brief survey** to help us follow up issues related to collaborating with the ACC in planning the 2019 Training Directors Symposium, potentially integrating our fellowship metrics into Qnet, and how we can make the SPCTPD meetings most effective. It will take no more than 3 minutes!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SPCTPDSpring2018Survey>

Work Force Survey

Working together with the AAP and ACC, we are revising the 2015 survey instrument to hopefully administer a follow-up survey this spring. More information is coming soon. If you want to help, contact: David Brown (david.brown@cardio.chboston.org)

ACGME Update

The ACGME is in the process of updating the Common Program Requirements for all Pediatric Subspecialties, Sections I-V. There was an open comment period which ended March 22, 2018, and these now await ACGME Board approval. A summary of the proposed changes can be found here: <http://www.acgme.org/Portals/0/PFAssets/ReviewandComment/CPR-Fellowship-2018-02-06-Impact.pdf> . Anticipated release of these requirements is summer 2018.

Finance Report

Lowell Frank presented the SPCTPD finances on behalf of our Secretary/Treasurer, Laurie Armsby. Our FY2017 closing account balance was over \$12,000. We have collected approximated 97% of FY2016 dues, 90% of FY2017 dues, and 73% of FY2018 dues. If you have not yet paid, please submit your outstanding dues as FY19 invoices will be sent out this summer. You can login and pay online at SPCTPD.org

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Fellowship Program Quality Metrics Project update

This effort is led by Lowell Frank. A conference call was held to flesh out the fellow scholarly activity outcome metric, and will incorporate manuscripts, posters, and other publications. A follow up call will be scheduled soon to further develop the scoring system and sampling period as well as begin work on the next metric. Importantly, Qnet leadership was approached at the ACC and is interested in incorporating these metrics into the Qnet framework. If interested in helping with these, contact Lowell: lfrank@cnmc.org

ACC19 Training Program Directors Symposium - Collaboration

We have been working with the ACC's Cardiovascular Training Section to include SPCTPD members in this symposium next year. PD's and SPCTPD board members attended the program this year and felt that while it was geared toward adult cardiology programs, most of the content was highly relevant to our own training programs as well. Information in the above survey will help with this planning.

Trainee Burnout Project

Antonio Cabrera has obtained IRB approval to proceed with a survey of our trainees to assess burnout and resiliency. If you want to help please email Antonio Cabrera at: agcabrer@bcm.edu.

Update from Cops

Rob Ross presented the update from the Council of Pediatric Subspecialties.

Pediatric Cardiology Board Review Course

The Specialty Review in Pediatric Cardiology course, sponsored by the AAP Section on Cardiology & Cardiac Surgery, will be held in Chicago this summer August 13-17, 2018. This is an excellent course for fellows and faculty. Please encourage your fellows to sign up! Registration is now open at <http://pediatriccardiologycourse.com/>

The Pediatric Cardiology Subspecialty MATCH has moved.

Programs will begin receiving ERAS applications in July 2018 for training that starts July 2019.

Important dates:

- July 6th: Applicants begin applying to programs
- July 15th: Programs begin receiving applications
- July-November: Review/evaluations of applications and interviews
- September 26th: Match-opens
- November 28th: Match ROL certification
- December 12th: Match Day
- July 1st (2019): Fellows begin training

Next SPCTPD Meeting

Please join us in November 2018 for the AAP meeting in Orlando Nov 2-6. Details to follow!

Thank you for your support!

Your SPCTPD board,

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Laurie Armsby (Secretary/Treasurer)

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