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“Big Bash” Planned for Annual Meeting; PRNs Key

Thanks to the cooperation of the PRNs and the support of Merck, the 2001 Annual Meeting will mark the occurrence of a new and exciting event, the “Research Institute/PRN Reception and Silent Auction Supported by Merck and Co., Inc.”

This exciting and worthwhile event is planned for Monday evening, October 22, 2001, from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. It will combine several fun events with fundraising activities for Campaign 2005 to build the endowment for the ACCP Research Institute.

The “Big Bash” will consist of games of skill and chance, a raffle, a silent auction, a reception, and lots of networking. ACCP members have been requested to donate items for the auction. Furthermore, each PRN will be asked to run one of the games for part of the evening.

The decision to hold this event involved the input and cooperation of several important groups who came together to make it possible. Some of the key events:

- Merck approached ACCP staff with a desire to do something special at the Annual Meeting
- The Board of Regents expressed a preference that this activity result in a meaningful benefit to both the membership and the College
- One attractive idea was to hold a fundraising activity for the Research Institute; however, there was no evening time during the meeting available for such an activity
- The idea was presented to the PRN Chairs at their regular meeting, requesting their views as to whether they would be willing to modify the schedule for the Monday evening Networking Forums to allow this event to take place
- PRN Chairs took the idea to their individual PRN business meetings, and received almost unanimous support
- Merck was receptive to this idea, and planning began

As a result, several PRNs will meet on Monday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., when they will hold their business meetings and networking forums. Many other PRNs will meet on Tuesday evening, October 23, for their respective activities.

President Barry Carter commented, “The way this event developed, and the cooperation and support expressed by the PRNs, is exemplary. This is an excellent illustration of how a variety of groups can work together to accomplish something that is beneficial to all. We especially recognize the financial support of Merck in making this event possible.”

Campaign 2005 is an ongoing effort to establish an endowed fund for the Research Institute of at least \$2.5 million by the end of 2005. Once established, this endowment will provide the Research Institute with a guaranteed financial base to pursue research and training initiatives on the behalf of ACCP’s members.

So, if you are attending the Annual Meeting, bring your checkbook and credit cards along! There will be some great items to bid on, fun games to play to win prizes, and a raffle with a grand prize valued at \$1000!

This will be a lot of fun!

Cardiology PRN Supports Campaign 2005

Emerging from the discussions which lead to the development of the “Research Institute/PRN Reception and Silent Auction Supported by Merck and Co., Inc.”, the Cardiology PRN decided to donate \$5000 to the Research Institute right away.

Cardiology PRN Chair Allison Miller said, “Supporting the Institute is very important to the members of the Cardiology PRN. The main mission of the Research Institute is to enhance the scientific ability of members. The Research Institute is one of the best things that ACCP does, and it deserves member support.”

Special Symposia Lead Off Annual Meeting

Plan now to attend one of these special pre-conference symposia on Saturday, October 20, in Tampa, FL.

Becoming Adept at ADAPT II: Pearls for PK/PD System Analysis; 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

This course is specially designed for researchers and clinicians who have a sound background in theoretical pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics and familiarity with ADAPT II software. You will become "ADAPT-adept" as you learn the background and implementation in ADAPT II of selected intermediate to advanced "tricks of the trade" in PK/PD system analysis. Lunch, refreshments, and continuing pharmaceutical education credit will be provided. This program is developed by ACCP's Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics Practice and Research Network and partially supported by an educational grant from BioNumerik Pharmaceuticals.

Realizing Your Leadership Potential; 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Hal Wood, from Advisory Management Services, is back by popular demand to assist pharmacists in their careers and daily lives. This program will help you:

- become an effective leader within the workplace
- foster leadership principles in your daily life
- assist you in taking an active role in your profession
- encourage you to take an active role in your community
- develop as a future leader of ACCP

Throughout the day, you will examine your own leadership potential and identify areas where you can exert greater leadership, whether personal, workplace, organizational, or governmental. The workshop will use a combination of didactic and interactive activities to help you develop specific leadership goals and activities for yourself. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. This program is developed by the ACCP Task Force on Leadership and supported by an educational grant from Wyeth-Ayerst Pharmaceuticals.

The Clinical Pharmacist's Guide to Career Development: The Early Years; 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

If you are completing or have completed your clinical pharmacy training within the last few years, this session is a "must attend". You will gain ideas, tips, and knowledge as to where to search for employment opportunities, how to craft a professional vision for life, how to set career goals, how to seek a mentor, and how to balance personal and professional life. This program includes course syllabi and refreshments, and is supported by an educational grant from PharmacyWeek.

To register for any of the above programs or for more information, visit www.accp.com/meeting.html or call ACCP at (816) 531-2177.

PRN Listservs Available For Members

Thanks to the PRN listservs, members are finding it easy to stay in touch and get messages out to their colleagues.

How to sign up

- Go to the ClinNet portion of the ACCP Web site, www.accp.com
- Click on the "Practice and Research Networks" link
- Go to the PRN list you wish to join
- Click on the link to services for that PRN's members only
- Click on "Join the Listserv" and enter your e-mail address

How to change your e-mail address

- If you are currently on a listserv, click on "Unsubscribe from the Listserv"
- Then enter your old e-mail address
- Next, repeat the steps used to sign up initially to enter your new e-mail address

Some changes will be coming soon to the listservs. Work is under way to put into place a mechanism to automatically sign members up to listservs when they join the PRNs. When this change takes place, members will no longer need to subscribe themselves. Also coming soon to the listservs will be message archives and digests, so members can search for and read previous posts.

For more information on the PRN listservs, contact Elisa Case at (816) 531-2177 or ecase@accp.com.

PRN Membership Totals

Adult Medicine	207
Ambulatory Care	728
Cardiology	397
Central Nervous System	186
Critical Care	368
Geriatrics	167
GI/Liver/Nutrition	90
Hematology/Oncology	248
Immunology/Transplantation	135
Infectious Diseases	423
Nephrology	119
Outcomes and Economics	200
Pain Management	145
Pediatrics	221
Pharmaceutical Industry	279
Pharmacokinetics/Dynamics	162
Women's Health	125

Annual Meeting PRN Calendar At-A-Glance

Saturday, October 20

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Becoming Adept at ADAPT II**
Developed by the ACCP Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics PRN; Partially supported by an unrestricted educational grant from BioNumerik Pharmaceuticals (Separate registration is required.)

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Realizing Your Leadership Potential**
Developed by the ACCP Task Force on Leadership; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Wyeth-Ayerst Pharmaceuticals (Separate registration is required.)

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **The Clinical Pharmacist's Guide to Career Development: The Early Years**; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from PharmacyWeek (Separate registration is required.)

2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Meeting Registration**

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Exhibitor Classroom**

- **New Therapeutic Targets for Decompensated Heart Failure**

4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **PRN Officers Meeting**

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. **Exhibitor Classrooms**

- **Importance of Managing Risk Factors in Cardiovascular Care**
- **Law of Unintended Consequences: Antibiotic Use and Collateral Resistance**

Sunday, October 21

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Exhibitor Classrooms**

- **Role of Antiarrhythmic Therapy in Atrial Fibrillation**
- **New Concepts in Acid Suppression for the Hospitalized Patient**

3:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **ACCP Business and Town Hall Meeting**

Monday, October 22

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Exhibitor Classrooms**

- **A Critical Look at Antipsychotic Therapy: Evaluating Risks and Benefits**
- **Advances in the Use of Oral Antithrombotic Agents in ACS**
- **Management of Invasive Fungal Infections**

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **PRN Focus Sessions**

Cardiology Focus Session—Changing Approaches to Treating Lipid Disorders; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from AstraZeneca

Central Nervous System Focus Session—New Answers to Old Neuropsychiatric Questions; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from GlaxoSmithKline

Critical Care Focus Session—Advances in Sepsis Research and Therapy: Cytokines and the Coagulation Cascade; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Eli Lilly and Company

Outcomes and Economics Focus Session—Applying Sensitivity Analyses to the Drug Therapy Decision Process

3:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. **PRN Focus Sessions**

Adult Medicine Focus Session—Controversies in Managing Venous Thromboembolism

Hematology/Oncology Focus Session—Rational Drug Development in Oncology; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Roche Laboratories

Pediatrics Focus Session—Treating Challenging Pediatric Disorders; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceuticals

Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics Focus Session—Constructing Efficient, Informative and Robust Clinical Trials

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **PRN Business Meetings**

Clinical Administration—Those attendees with an interest in clinical administration need to attend this PRN organizational meeting. Get in on the ground floor as the blueprint for forming a Clinical Administration PRN is discussed.

Pain Management PRN—Attendees interested in pain management are invited to this PRNs' business meeting.

Women's Health PRN—Learn more about the Women's Health PRN by attending its business meeting.

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **PRN Business Meetings and Networking Forums**

Ambulatory Care PRN—Members and all interested parties are invited to attend this group's reception, followed by a business meeting and time for socializing. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be available.

Central Nervous System PRN—Members and interested attendees are encouraged to attend this PRN's business meeting, followed by three 20-minute presentations from PRN members from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. The presenters will discuss research they are currently or have recently been involved with. Refreshments and light snacks provided.

Geriatrics PRN—Members and interested parties are invited to this group's business meeting and networking forum. Discussion of new information and research in geriatrics will take place, as well as members discussing research they are doing and enjoying hors d'oeuvres and drinks.

GI/Liver/Nutrition PRN—PRN members and those interested are invited to this PRN's business meeting, which will be followed by four short informative presentations of members' ongoing research. A food buffet and drinks will be available courtesy of TAP Pharmaceuticals.

Hematology/Oncology PRN—Interested attendees and PRN members are invited to this PRN's social hour and business meeting. Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be provided.

Infectious Diseases PRN—Attendees interested in the treatment of infectious diseases are invited to this PRN's business meeting and networking forum. Networking will be accompanied by a reception with food buffet and refreshments provided by Pharmacia.

Outcomes and Economics PRN—Interested attendees and PRN members are invited to this PRN's social hour and business meeting. Refreshments and light snacks will be provided.

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Exhibitor Classroom*

- *The Role of Anti-Arrhythmics in the New ACLS Guidelines: 2001 A Pharmacotherapy Odyssey*

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. **Research Institute/PRN Reception and Silent Auction Supported by Merck and Co., Inc.**

Tuesday, October 23

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. *Exhibitor Classrooms*

- *Simplifying Anticoagulation: Clinical Updates in the Prevention and Treatment of Thromboembolism*
- *Clinical Issues and Practical Strategies in Transplant Management: New Perspectives for the Practicing Pharmacist*
- *Current Challenges in Treating Respiratory Tract Infections: Where do the Ketolides Fit?*

12:30 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. **The ACCP Research Institute Grants Review Process**

1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **PRN Focus Sessions**

Geriatrics Focus Session—Methodologies for Evaluating Geriatric Drug Prescribing Practice

Nephrology Focus Session—Significant Papers in Nephrology

Pharmaceutical Industry Focus Session—Managing a Career on the Fault Line

Immunology/Transplantation Focus Session—Frontiers in Cellular and Organ Transplantation; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Roche Laboratories

Women's Health Focus Session—Ovarian Dysfunction

3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **How to Be a 5-Star Scientific Journal Reviewer**

3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **PRN Focus Sessions**

Ambulatory Care Focus Session—How Low Should You Go? An Evidence-Based Approach to Hypertension, Lipid, and Glucose Management; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Novartis

GI/Liver/Nutrition Focus Session—Controversies in Specialized Nutrition Support

Infectious Diseases Focus Session—Can Pharmacodynamics Impact Clinical Outcomes and Resistance? Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Bayer Pharmaceutical

Pain Management Focus Session—Challenging Traditional Concepts of Pain Management; Supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Pharmacia

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **PRN Business Meeting**

Pharmacy Educators—Attendees interested in pharmacy education should attend this PRN exploratory meeting where the possibility of forming a Pharmacy Educators PRN will be discussed.

6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. **PRN Business Meetings and Networking Forums**

6:00 p.m. **Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics PRN**—Learn more about this PRN by attending its business meeting and networking forum. A podium research presentation will be given, along with refreshments and light snacks.

6:00 p.m. **Nephrology PRN**—Join the Nephrology PRN for its social networking session and business meeting. PRN members will be able to informally discuss their clinical and research activities with one another. Food and refreshments will be available courtesy of Abbott Renal Care.

6:00 p.m. **Pediatrics PRN**—Meeting attendees will want to stop by the Pediatrics PRN's networking forum, during which Dr. Rupa Redding-Lallinger, M.D., will speak about sickle cell disease in children. A business meeting will follow her presentation. A buffet dinner will be provided courtesy of AstraZeneca, MedImmune, Merck, and Roche Laboratories.

7:00 p.m. **Adult Medicine PRN**—Members and all interested parties are invited to attend this group's business meeting, followed by time for socializing and discussing adult medicine topics. Snacks and refreshments will be available.

7:00 p.m. **Cardiology PRN**—Join this PRN for an active evening filled with a business meeting and three "work-in-progress" presentations by trainees. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served.

7:00 p.m. **Critical Care PRN**—PRN members and interested parties are invited to this group's business meeting and networking forum. Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments courtesy of Eli Lilly and Co. will be available as you discuss critical care issues.

7:00 p.m. **Immunology/Transplantation PRN**—PRN members and those interested are invited to the business meeting and networking forum to enjoy good company, food and refreshments.

8:00 p.m. **Pharmaceutical Industry PRN**—Interested attendees and PRN members are invited to this group's networking forum and business meeting for a lively discussion. Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. *Exhibitor Classroom*

- *Recent Advances in Supportive Care for Oncology*

Wednesday, October 24

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. *Exhibitor Classroom*

- *Prevention of Venous Thromboembolism: Birth of a New Antithrombotic Class*

Clinical Administration, Pharmacy Educators PRNs Taking Shape

ACCP Practice and Research Networks provide great opportunities for members to keep in touch and share information with one another. That's why two new PRNs, a Clinical Administration PRN and Pharmacy Educators PRN, are in the beginning stages of development. Both evolving PRNs will hold meetings at the ACCP Annual Meeting in Tampa, Florida.

Clinical Administration

The Clinical Administration PRN will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 22. This will be an organizational meeting. Thomas Gray is leading the effort to begin the PRN, which will provide a mechanism for networking and collaboration, educational programming, and a high quality forum where members with similar interests can discuss issues of concern to clinical administrators.

Activities of this PRN will include:

- discussions of AOA and JCAHO standards and changes
- exchange of ideas in the development and maintenance of clinical pharmacy departments
- opportunities to share QA programs and departmental policies and procedures
- discussions of hot topics as they relate to clinical pharmacy

Gray said that he has a list of 56 people who are potential members of the Clinical Administration PRN. "There will be opportunities to share policies and procedures in Tampa, a forum to exchange ideas and to discuss hot topics in clinical pharmacy," Gray said. "Actually, the opportunities for this PRN are endless." For more information on the Clinical Administration PRN contact Gray at (810) 606-6070 or tgray@gensys.org.

Pharmacy Educators

Those interested in the Pharmacy Educators PRN will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23. The Pharmacy Educators PRN, if formed, would be a forum where members who serve in academia (full- or part-time faculty, clinical preceptors, and course instructors) with a particular interest in pedagogical issues could share ideas, discuss areas of concern, and provide educational programming addressing their needs. To discuss the possibility of the Pharmacy Educators PRN, contact Mary Roth at (919) 843-8083 or mroth@unc.edu.

Interested in Forming a PRN?

Think there is a need for a new PRN? All it takes is 50 ACCP members who have expressed an interest in belonging to the new PRN. Each PRN must serve a group of ACCP members in a defined area, and the Board of Regents must approve the designation of each new PRN. To find out more about forming a new PRN, contact Peggy Kuehl at (816) 531-2177 or pkuehl@accp.com.

PRNs Elect New Officers

Ballots are tallied and the following new officers will begin their duties at the ACCP Annual Meeting in Tampa, Florida.

Adult Medicine: Wanda Kilzer, Chair; Teresa Dunsworth, Chair-Elect; Jennifer Dugan, Secretary/Treasurer

Ambulatory Care: Stuart Haines, Chair; Joe Saseen, Chair-Elect; Bryan Yeager, Secretary/Treasurer

Cardiology: Mark Munger, Chair; Judy Cheng, Chair-Elect; Cynthia Sanoski, Secretary

Central Nervous System: Michael Jann, Chair; Jacquelyn Bainbridge, Chair-Elect

Critical Care: Scott Hanes, Chair; Allan Anderson, Chair-Elect; Kevin Rynn, Secretary/Treasurer

Geriatrics: Robert Maher, Chair; Carlos Rojas-Fernandez, Chair-Elect; Christine O'Neil, Secretary/Treasurer

GI/Liver/Nutrition: John Siepler, Chair; Jane Gervasio, Chair-Elect; Catherine Jarvis, Secretary/Treasurer

Hematology/Oncology: Jill Kolesar, Chair; Bill McIntyre, Chair-Elect; Suzanne Walton, Secretary/Treasurer

Immunology/Transplantation: Curtis Holt, Chair; Mary Hebert, Chair-Elect; Secretary-Treasurer to be announced

Infectious Diseases: Mike Rybak, Chair; Steven Gelone, Chair-Elect; Bruce Hotchkiss, Secretary/Treasurer

Nephrology: Melanie Joy, Chair; Naomi Dahl, Chair-Elect

Outcomes and Economics: Glen Schumock, Chair; Daniel Touchette, Chair-Elect; Kenneth Shermock, Secretary/Treasurer

Pain Management: Terry Baumann, Chair; James Ray, Chair-Elect; Tracy Skaer, Secretary/Treasurer

Pediatrics: Bruce Parks, Chair; Betsy Bickert, Chair-Elect

Pharmaceutical Industry: Joan Korth-Bradley, Chair; Thomas Peddicord, Chair-Elect

Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics: Michael Burton, Chair; Judith Smith, Chair-Elect; Amelia Wall, Secretary/Treasurer

Women's Health: Julie Kelsey, Chair; Karim Calis, Chair-Elect; Melissa Sanders, Secretary/Treasurer; Tracy Skaer, Public Policy Liaison

A big thanks to these candidates who also ran in the elections: Jeffrey Aeschlimann, Robert Aucoin, Dianne Brundage, LanChi L. Bui, Olga DeTorres, Robert DiDomenico, Peter Djuric, Jeffrey Fudin, William Garnett, Karen Gunning, Lari Humma, Jackie Hunt, Mahtab Jafari, Tanya Knight, David Lourwood, Jennifer Lutz, Denise Meyer, Mary Roth, Sarah Salzberg, David Sclar, Charles Seifert, Ruth Ann Subach, Kimberly Tallian, Bill Zamboni. ACCP's PRNs thank all these candidates for their willingness to participate and serve.

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Jog While in Tampa

Do you want to get in your daily exercise while you do some socializing? If so, join an informal group to run each day of the ACCP Annual Meeting in Tampa, Florida.

A group of dedicated individuals will meet at 6:00 a.m. in the lobby of the Marriott Riverside and run at a casual pace for two to five miles each day, Saturday through Wednesday. Anyone interested is welcome to join.

For more information, contact Doug Geraets or Joe DiPiro at the meeting.

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