



American College of Emergency Physicians

**Geriatric Emergency Medicine Section Conference Call Agenda  
June 17, 2019**

**Attendees:** Kevin Biese, MD, MAT, FACEP; Nicole Tidwell, Lauren Southerland, MD; Luna Ragsdale, MD, FACEP; Shawn Liu, MD; Chris Carpenter, MD, FACEP; Phil Magidson, MD

**ACEP19:**

**1. ACEP19 Events**

- a. Nicole reminded everyone about the ACEP2019 Pre-Conference:
  - i. GEDC Pre-conference “The Evolution of Geriatric Care in the ED”
    1. To be held Saturday, October 26, 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Capital Ballroom 4
- b. GEM Section Meeting
  - i. Sunday, October 27, 2:00 – 4:00 Hyatt Regency, Centennial Ballroom H
  - ii. Kevin and Nicole mentioned that there is currently not a corporate sponsor this year. ACEP will continue to look for one that’s appropriate for the group.
  - iii. Kevin reviewed goals of section meeting including
    1. Ensure attendees know what GEMS has been working on over the past year
    2. Understand what the membership hopes the section can offer in the coming year in terms of education (both at future ACEPs and beyond the Scientific Assemblies)
    3. Understand what the member hopes the section can offer in terms of program development and hospital leadership engagement with respect to geriatric emergency medicine initiatives
    4. Nicole is looking into setting up some audience participating process (with clickers or phones) to help solicit feedback
    5. Dr. Vivian Argento, MD, a geriatrician from Yale Bridgeport to speak during section meeting
- c. ACEP19 Geriatric Didactics
  - i. Currently there is not a “geriatric track” on the ACEP19 website. Nicole will touch base with ACEP19 planners to see if this can be added at least to make geriatric lectures searchable- update- to add a new “track” the education committee must approve it. Chris Weller from the ACEP meetings team will add this request to their October agenda.
  - ii. Current geriatric-specific didactics for ACEP19 are included at the end of the minutes below (and were also sent out by Nicole on 6/18/19)
- d. ACEP19 Daily Twitter (or other social media) Pearls
  - i. As a bridge to the ongoing Geriatric Twitter Pearl project, Chris offered to help coordinate an effort to provide a daily geriatric emergency medicine pearl during ACEP19. Those interested in helping to create these pearls, please reach out to Chris directly.

**2. ACEP20 Didactics**

- a. Pre-Conference Workshop
  - i. There was extensive conversation between call participants about ideas for a pre-conference workshop at ACEP20. Maura Kennedy is planning to take the lead on this and share with the group her thoughts on the July call.

1. Heavy consideration was given to a Geriatric Emergency Department Medical Directors type conference or mini-boot camp given the continued rise in accreditation
- b. Didactic Sessions for ACEP20
  - i. Call participants discussed the planning of geriatric didactic sessions for ACEP20. Luna Ragsdale is going to help coordinate these efforts and hopefully develop a clear “geriatric track” for ACEP20
  - ii. To be discussed in more detail on July call
  - iii. Ideas for possible didactic sessions included:
    1. Geriatric ED accreditation session
    2. Review of both basic and more advanced considerations in geriatric trauma
    3. Falls
    4. Delirium
    5. More topics on operational implementation of various protocols (i.e. I know falls are bad in older adults. I know we can screen for them but how can I turn that into practice?)
    6. Social determinants of health with an emphasis on what the ED provider can do or needs to know from a pragmatic standpoint
    7. Consider a session with two opposing viewpoints discussing a specific topic (debate)
    8. Rural or telehealth related topics.
  - iv. 2020 educational course submissions due November 1, 2019.  
<https://acep.org/education/meetings/>
3. **GEMS Grants**
  - a. Both grants have been fulfilled
  - b. iScreenSeniors by Nicole Fiallos is live. Please check it out at <http://iscreenseniors.com/>
4. **ACEP Award Recipients**
  - a. Lowell Gerson, PhD (Honorary Membership Award)
5. **Upcoming Newsletters**
  - a. Need to produce two more newsletters this calendar year.
  - b. **Next newsletter content will be due to Phil Magidson by July 15<sup>th</sup>**
    - i. Content considerations for this newsletter include:
      1. Highlight of upcoming talks at ACEP 19 that are geriatric specific
      2. Information on geriatric emergency department accreditation
      3. Brief stories or quotes from EDs who have been accredited
      4. Highlighting geriatric EM fellowships
6. Geriatric Twitter Pearls Project
  - a. Hopeful to provide pearls daily at ACEP19 (see above)
7. **GEDA update**
  - a. Total accredited sites: 62
  - b. At GEDA booth during ACEP, hopeful to have some members of the Board of Governors present to help answer questions from those interested in accrediting their EDs

NEXT CALL, JULY 15<sup>TH</sup>, 11CST/12PM EST



TU-246 Pandora's Pill Box: Polypharmacy in the Elderly Patient  
 Tuesday, October 29  
 10:00 AM - 10:25 AM  
 Faculty: Christopher O. Hoyte, MD

**TU-300 Brittle & Broken: Geriatric Trauma Practical Pearls**

Tuesday, October 29

03:30 PM - 04:20 PM

**Faculty:** Christina L. Shenvi, MD, PhD, FACEP

**WE-368 Stop the Belly-Aching: Pearls & Pitfalls in the Care of Older Adults with Abdominal Pain**

Wednesday, October 30

10:30 AM - 10:55 AM

**Faculty:** Autumn Graham, MD

**WE-382 How & Why Geriatric ED Accreditation is a Good Idea for Your Hospital, Your ED, & Your Patients**

Wednesday, October 30

12:00 PM - 12:25 PM

**Faculty:** Christina L. Shenvi, MD, PhD, FACEP