

**Geriatric Emergency Medicine Section
Conference Call
MINUTES**

September 13, 2017

Participants

Members participating for all or part of the call included: Ula Hwang, MD, FACEP, Chair

Others participating in all or part of the meeting included: Lauren Southerland, MD, FACEP; Sandy Schneider, MD, FACEP, Staff Liaison; and Julie Rispoli, Project Manager.

Agenda

Attendance
Newsletter
Section Grant – GEMS Podcasts
Co sponsoring the EMRA Council Resolution on drug pricing
GEMS Meeting at *ACEP17*
October call?
Open forum

Major Points Discussed

Dr. Hwang welcomed everyone to the call. Dr. Lauren Southerland stated that she is at Ohio State. The group discussed progress on the projects identified during the last conference call.

Section Newsletter –It was reported that the newsletter was sent to Section members on September 11. The group discussed ways to encourage section members to submit content for the newsletter. Dr. Schneider suggested beginning to gather items now for the next newsletter. Dr. Hwang will have newsletter as one of the breakout workgroups during the in-person section meeting.

Section Grant – Dr. Hwang mentioned the section grant Dr. Biese was awarded, “Educational webinars on the ACEP Geriatric ED Accreditation (GEDA) program.” The Grant will feature 3 podcasts regarding Geriatric EM: The Time is Now; 1) What is done today? 2) Overview of the Geriatric ED Accreditation Program; 3) How can my ED become more geriatric focused? The grant should be completed by December 31, 2018. This will also be one of the breakout workgroups during section meeting for people to learn more about and become engaged.

Ms. Rispoli reminded the group about the 2018 Section grant cycle and encouraged the group to start thinking about ideas. Dr. Schneider mentioned the idea of creating a mnemonic tool such as the Sepsis DART tool: <https://www.acep.org/dart/>. Other tools in development are one for bariatric patients and one for sickle cell patients. Dr. Schneider suggested one for Hip fracture if initial x-ray is negative or Procedural Sedation in the ED. Dr. Hwang suggested possibility of delirium evaluation and management. Section grant another breakout workgroup that will be at the section meeting.

Council Resolution – The section co-sponsored a resolution with EMRA and the Connecticut College of emergency Physicians titled, “Prescription Drug Pricing.” The Resolution calls for the College to create a policy and to work with the American Medical Association and other stakeholders to support regulatory and legislative efforts to address these issues.

Awards at the Section Meeting - Ms. Rispoli suggested that Section leaders have a discussion about section awards. Ms. Rispoli needs this information by October 2. This year, similar to other geriatric EM

groups, Dr. Hwang proposed one research forum abstract will be selected to be awarded. Dr. Hwang will check with other GEM Section officers about reviewing abstracts and selecting one to be awarded.

GEMS Meeting at ACEP17 – It was reported that the section meeting will be:

Sunday, October 29
2:00 pm-3:30 pm
Room: Marquis Ballroom Salon 15
Marriott Marquis, Washington, DC

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Introductions / networking (15 min)
- Board Liaison Update (5 min)
- Volunteer for workgroups: ie, Microsite, Social Media, Podcasts, Newsletter Group, etc. (15 min)
- Update on the GEDA (30 min)
- Macy Catheter presentation by Hospi (requested a geriatric specific presentation) 10-15 min

October call? - The October call was discussed and Dr. Hwang mentioned that most leaders would not be available on October 11. Since there will be an in person meeting at ACEP 2017 in October, there will not be a GEMS call for October.

Dr. Schneider mentioned the accreditation booth on the exhibit floor near the bookstore. An ACEP staff person will let people know about the GEDA and CUAP. We will need to prepare some handouts for that. Staff will figure out some promotion for people interested in GEDA so that they may attend the GEDA update during the GEMS meeting.

To facilitate discussion for the workgroup discussions at *ACEP17*, Ms. Rispoli will create table signs and sign-in sheets.

The call was adjourned.