Welcome and Opening Remarks
Dr. Shapiro welcomed members to the 2016 section meeting and detailed the section’s work from October 2015 through October 2016. Included in his remarks were comments on the funding of two section grants: Chief Complaint Ontology and the ED Informatics Guidebook. Dr. Shapiro also commented on the continuation of the section’s Grand Rounds Webinar series. These series highlight important topics in Informatics and feature guest speakers who are subject matter experts in Health IT.

Section Leadership for 2017
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CEDR Implementation
Dr. Genes reported that ACEP and the Informatics Section have been proactive – teaming up with a vendor (FIGmd) and building CEDR – the Clinical Emergency Data Registry. This registry, in operation since early 2015, is the first specialty-wide national EM registry, encompassing not just visits from CMS patients, but the entire patient population. CEDR now has 57 EDs contributing data. CEDR can accept regular data uploads, or can “pull” data directly from many common ED EHRs. He also shared that CEDR will help EDs fulfill reporting requirements for MIPS.

Informatics Guidebook
In mid-2015, ACEP funded a section grant to publish an Informatics Guidebook intended for all emergency physicians. This guidebook stems from the ACEP member survey responses indicating that keeping up with information and technology was a primary challenge for ACEP members. Dr. Garg reported that a first draft has been completed and that her group has begun the steps needed for CME certification and video creation. The broad topics include Electronic Health Records, Mobile Apps, and Health Information Exchanges. Dr. Garg mentioned that each
Introduction of New Informatics Staff Liaison

In late September, ACEP Quality & HIT Director, Stacie Jones announced that she accepted a position with CEP America. In early October, ACEP’s Executive Director, Dean Wilkerson, announced that Pawan Goyal, MD would join ACEP as the new Associate Executive Director for Quality. Additional staff will be hired in the near future to work with the informatics section.

Dr. Goyal was a practicing Otolaryngologist for a decade before he transitioned to healthcare administration and quality. He is an author, speaker, educator, and peer reviewer on the subjects of healthcare quality, patient safety, and Informatics. He served on the Board of Examiners for Baldrige based Texas Quality Foundation. He has served on HIMSS Cost, Quality, and Patient Safety Steering Committee and is currently the clinical lead for HIMSS Enterprise Davies Steering Committee that evaluates awards for patient-centered, value-based, quality outcomes after Stage 6 or 7 EMR implementation.

Dr. Goyal has a Masters in Healthcare Administration and a Post Graduate Diploma in Health Policy from Ohio University and a Masters Certificate in Business Analysis from The George Washington University. He is a Fellow of HIMSS, Fellow of AHIMA, and a Fellow of National Library of Medicine. He is a certified Yellow Belt with HP’s SPARTANS program and an instructor with AMIA 10x10 Informatics Graduate Certificate Program.

Dr. Shapiro wrapped up the meeting by thanking everyone for attending and encouraging members to submit content for the section’s newsletter.