

GEMS Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 15, 2020

Call participants: Kevin Biese, MD, FACEP; Arvind Venkat, MD, FACEP; Nicole Tidwell, Phil Magidson, MD; Maura Kennedy, MD; Lauren Southerland, MD, FACEP; Chris Carpenter MD, FACEP; Shan Liu MD, FACEP

1) Special Guest: Dr. Arvind Venkat, ACEP Board Candidate

i) Dr. Venkat introduced himself and his platforms for board candidacy. He also discussed his commitment to geriatric emergency medicine education and support of further educational efforts surrounding a geriatric track. Section members were able to share challenges and goals with respect to geriatric educational priorities with Dr. Venkat.

2) ACEP20 Education Submission

- i) Considerable discussion has occurred between Dr. Mark Rosenberg, DO, MBA, FACEP, FAAHPM, ACEP President-Elect, Dr. Sandy Schneider, MD, FACEP, ACEP Associate Executive Director, Clinical Affairs, Ms. Tidwell and Dr. Biese about the continued effort to establish a geriatric emergency medicine track and expand educational offerings at ACEP20.
- ii) Dr. Biese has highlighted that given ACEP leading the way in geriatric emergency department accreditation, there should be a more robust offering of education opportunities at the annual conference within this domain.

3) ACEP Geriatric Pre-Conference

- i) As Ms. Tidwell reviewed for call participants, ACEP 20 will be a virtual conference this year
- ii) We are still planning on offering a pre-conference focused on geriatric emergency medicine; the section agreed it should be offered for free
- iii) There was considerable discussion about the specific topics (advanced or more foundational)
 - (1) Ms. Tidwell plans to reach out to the ACEP educational committee to have a better idea of what topics/courses will be offered at the main conference as this will help in the planning of pre-conference topics.
 - (2) A keynote or opening discussion about COVID-19 and the impact the pandemic has had on older adults was thought to be
 - (3) Breakout sessions with various geriatric emergency medicine topics and topics related to establishing a geriatric ED, over a 4-hour session, was the agreed upon format.

4) Geriatric Research Abstract Awards

 Research abstracts have been submitted and once selected, the section will review for specific section awards

5) Topic-Oriented Calls

- i) This is something the section had asked for during ACEP19 but has been on hold
 - (1) The section is hoping to start these, possibly twice annually.

- ii) The idea of offering CME was suggested by Dr. Southerland with general agreement from the other members on the call
- iii) Logistics of offering CME would need to be worked out
- 6) Geri-Palli-EMS Section Grant
 - i) No update