

Research, Scholarly Activity, and Innovation Section Meeting

Sunday, October 27th, 2019 9:30 – 10:30 am MT Room: 606 Colorado Convention Center Denver, CO

Agenda:

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Old Business
 - a. Update and discussion on Section Grant project Research Primer
 - b. Councilor Report
 - c. Secretary report concerning newsletters and anticipated new newsletters for the upcoming Section year
 - d. Update on Scholarly Activity Paper
- 3. New Business

Key Items Discussed:

- 1. N. Garg opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- 2. N. Garg shared that the Section received a grant to develop a primer. The project, led by J. Paxton, will be to develop a complimentary primer to the one section members developed in the past. The original primer, Emergency Care Research: A Primer, focused on basic research skills. J. Paxton said that the new primer will focus on developing a resident research and scholarly activity program. He called for volunteers from the Section to serve as editors and asked for recommendations on experts to reach out to. He said that he hopes to get between 12 and 20 authors. The primer will be a 6x9 digital book. The primer will focus on topics such as, how to motivate resident, common pitfalls, how research enriches the resident experience, among others. The primary audience for the primer is faculty working on developing a research program. He said that the resident perspective will also be an important component to the primer. J. Paxton reviewed the timeline and said that he wants to have some chapters written in the next few months. The final deadline for the primer is ACEP20. He suggested that anyone interested in creating content use a mentor/mentee model. A suggestion from the group was to create an online "appendix" to link to materials that are frequently updated. Another suggestion was to reach out to EMRA for input on the project. Other section members suggested including information on the ACGME and requirements on scholarly activity and including information on, or references to, model curriculum. Anyone interested in helping with the primer should email J. Paxton at james.paxton@wayne.edu.
- 3. C. Krauss provided an update on the new ACEP's new open-access journal, <u>JACEP</u>. To-date they have received close to twenty submissions. The journal editors are interested in papers that have been previously rejected by *Annals of Emergency Medicine*. There are a limited number of fee-waivers available for accepted manuscripts. C. Krauss shared that one goal in creating a new journal was to create a home for all the work that Sections and Committees create. He noted the large amount of good work that is produced and the limited capacity of *Annals* to accept it. He encouraged the group to contact the editor, Henry Wang, with questions. He also called for volunteer reviewers. A section member suggested that the journal consider tiered publication fees based on how research was funded.



- 4. J. Miner provided a report from the Council meeting. He shared that this year, there were not any resolutions that would be concerning to the Section. He shared that there was some discussion during Council around a resolution advocating for more research in telemedicine. He noted that it was great to see all the recent growth and involvement of the Section.
- 5. C. Camargo gave an update on the Section newsletters. He shared that the most recent newsletter featured P. Levy and addressed scholarly activity. He encouraged the group to reach out to him with suggested topics for the newsletter. Section members suggested an article comparing the two Section primers and more information about JACEP. N. Garg encouraged younger members to volunteer to interview leaders for the newsletter and to use it as an opportunity to learn.
- 1. J. Finnell gave a Board update. He shared that the Board is focusing on the following issues: out-of-network billing; workplace violence; wellness programs for members; and, examining the role of technology in healthcare. He further shared that the College now offers a counseling and legal assistance program. J. Finnell noted that a task force focused on emergency medicine workforce issues is underway and that they expect an interim report from the group next year. He also shared that ACEP hosted a Health Information Technology (HIT) Summit. He thanked the Section for their contributions to the College.
- 6. N. Garg provided an update on the Section's manuscript on scholarly activity. She shared that they are in the final stages of editing the manuscript. She will send out the latest version to the authoring group. It will go to the Board for review and then submitted for publication.
- 7. The group discussed developing a guide for negotiating in a research career for residents and junior researchers. J. Finnell noted that frequently when residents are looking for research jobs, they often find it difficult to know what to ask for and how to ask for it. Committee members suggested reaching out to EMRA and surveying current researchers to find out how they got started. D. Buckland volunteered to help with the project; J. d'Etienne will also help lead.
- 8. N. Garg shared that the Section will continue their regular practice of holding quarterly calls. The calls are open to all Section members.
- 9. L. Rives gave an update on the Investigator Pool. She noted that it worked well when ACEP or EMF needed to identify experts in an specific area, but that it had not proved very useful in connecting researchers to one another. Committee members suggested reaching out to the Informatics section and to the Diversity and Inclusion Section.
- 10. The Section members discussed the current state of EM research. They asked what ACEP was doing to advocate at the federal level for more EM funding for research. The group recognized the challenges inherent in EM in that research spans across a broad disease spectrum. The group was interested in finding out more about the ACEP/SAEM Research Workgroup and what their current efforts were focused on. The group also expressed interest in connecting with the Office of Emergency Care Research to find out more about funding priorities.
- 11. The group discussed better ways of connecting with one another. L. Rives encouraged the group to use the engageD platform. An easy way to email the group through the platform is to use the email address: acep_researchscholarlyactivityandinnovationsection@connectedcommunity.org
- 12. L. Rives shared that she is working on creating a landing page for all ACEP research activities. The webpage will link to EMBRS, Research Forum, and the committee and section's work.

ACTION ITEMS

- Members to email J. Paxton if interested in helping on primer; volunteer to help with content or editing, provide recommendations on subject matter experts
- Members interested in being reviewers for JACEP should contact H. Wang jacepopen@acep.org



- Reach out to C. Camargo with suggested newsletter topics CCAMARGO@PARTNERS.ORG
- L. Rives to reach out to Office of Emergency Care Research to see if willing to give an update on funding landscape to Section members
- L. Rives to follow up on current status of ACEP/SAEM Research Workgroup

Section Objectives

- Serve as a resource to the Board and the College regarding emergency medicine research.
- Stimulate and encourage quality research in emergency medicine.
- Promote education relating to research methodology, for the Section of the College.
- Provide a forum for communication among researchers within the College, and to encourage that communication.
- Promote collaboration among researchers in emergency medicine and related fields, to advance the specialty.
- Serve as a resource regarding research training programs in emergency medicine.