

For those of you who were able to attend the meeting this October, I hope that you had a great time. There were a lot of great programming opportunities, including two in the area of hematology and oncology. The first was a focus session presented by our PRN entitled, "Cancer as a Chronic Disease: Implications for All Pharmacists". The other session was "Challenges in Drug Dosing for Complicated Patients Populations – Antineoplastics in Special Populations".

In addition, for those of you who were not able to attend the BCOP talks at HOPA, all six programming hours were presented the same by If you wanted to speakers. move outside the hem/onc world, there were so many great presentations, it was hard to choose which ones to attend.

Overall, it was an excellent meeting and a great chance to venture outside our specialization and mingle with pharmacists in other specialties.

Hem/Onc PRN Business Meeting

The Hem/Onc PRN business meeting was held Monday night. There were 29 attendees including 9 students ranging from P1-P4! The Resident of the

Annual Meeting 2013 Albuquerque, New Mexico

Year, Meagan Barbee, PharmD, presented her PGY2 research project at Emory Healthcare in Atlanta.

Committee reports were given for the past year. It has been a busy year and the PRN has accomplished a lot! We will need additional members for the various committees and hope that you will get involved and consider signing up for a committee (see page 2). Goals responsibilities and were developed by last year's Chair, Becky Fahrenbruch, that greatly helped in defining the objectives that should be addressed during the year.

The Resident and Student Involvement committee was created last year to address the needs of trainees and have them become more involved in the PRN. ACCP has focused their attention on students this past year with the development of approved chapters at schools of pharmacy. We will continue to work on developing ideas to encourage student and resident/fellow involvement in the Hem/Onc PRN.



Resident of the Year, Meagan Barbee, presents her research project

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Purpose:

The ACCP PRN's purpose is to help ACCP meet the evolving needs of its members as well as to help fulfill a growing need by providing targeted services to groups of members with similar interests. The structure and function of the PRN reflects ACCP's philosophy of excellence in clinical pharmacy practice, research. and PRN education. – ACCP Handbook (paraphrased)



WE WANT YOU!

If you are interested in becoming more involved in the HemOnc PRN, please review the committees/task forces and objectives for the year. We need motivated individuals like you! This includes students, residents, and fellows, especially the student/residency for involvement task force. Some members who attended the business meeting have already signed up! Please let Christy Harris (christy.harris@mcphs.edu) know if you would be interested in joining one of the below opportunities.

Nominations Committee

- 1. Discuss in Oct/Nov nominations for the Nov awards deadline
- 2. Discuss in January nominations for the February awards deadline
- 3. Submit nominations for awards according to ACCP guidelines
- 4. Send call out to the list serve for officer nominations. Review the nominations and create a slate of candidates.

Focus Session Committee:

- 1. Develop presentation ideas obtained from the PRN for consideration by ACCP
- 2. Identify potential speakers and submit all paperwork with deadlines set by ACCP



Alexander Chan presents at the HemOnc PRN Focus Session at the ACCP meeting in Albuquerque.

Residency/Fellowship Award Committee:

- 1. Create evaluation criteria for Resident/Fellow of the Year Award
- 2. Promote award through communication on list serve and Oncology Residency/Fellowship Program Directors
- 3. Update timeline, qualifications and award submission material for award

PRN Paper Task Force:

- Publication on behalf of the Hem/Onc PRN on timely material that impacts oncology pharmacists
- 2. Identify the topic based on discussion at PRN business meeting
- 3. Develop action plan and deadlines for manuscript material

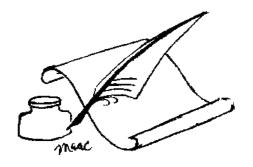
Student/Resident Involvement Task Force:

- 1. Generate ideas for increasing student and resident involvement in the Hem/Onc PRN
- 2. Brainstorm idea of mentoring program for students/residents through the PRN

The PRN paper task force is in need of someone to head this group and move forward to develop a publication from the Hem/Onc PRN. Ideas were discussed in the PRN business meeting in October but further work needs to be done. If you are interested in potentially taking on this role, please contact Christy Harris. You can read the minutes of the business meeting on the Hem/Onc PRN website to get a better idea of what was discussed.



To our Past Chair, Becky Fahrenbruch, on the excellent work that she has done this past year to promote the HemOnc PRNs activities and exposure to the ACCP membership overall. Your hard work is much appreciated!



Officer's Corner

As we become overwhelmed with all that we have to do each day, it is sometimes hard to focus on the big picture. We tend to get caught up in the small details. Don't worry, I am not going to spout off some inspirational or pithy saying that will help you become motivated and energized to do even more. ©

Instead, as I was perusing the PRN Handbook again this year to re-familiarize myself, I found the Purpose Statement of the ACCP PRNs. Below that, they list specific opportunities, which I am going to reprint here. They gave me some ideas and I felt that it might generate some thoughts on your part as well.

As officers of the Hem/Onc PRN, we are always working to improve and provide resources that would be beneficial to the membership. This can sometimes be hard as many of us are members of the Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association as well. We are lucky in that we have a specialized pharmacy organization like HOPA but it can sometimes be hard to draw a line between the two organizations and the Hem/Onc PRN may seem redundant. We do not want to detract from the great work that HOPA does but we do feel that there are opportunities out there that we can capitalize on. This was a discussion at the Hem/Onc PRN business meeting during the annual conference but I would like to expand the discussion to the membership at large as well.

If you have any suggestions or thoughts regarding ways in which we can work to benefit the Hem/Onc PRN membership, please drop me a line!

~Christy Harris

Purpose of the ACCP PRNs

- Provide a focal point around which to gather clinical pharmacists with common interests and needs in practice, research, and education. The PRNs create an additional means within ACCP for professional interaction, research networking, continuing pharmacy education, problem solving, and discussion of professional issues.
- Provide an opportunity for a group of pharmacists to promote practice, research, and education within their common area of interest.
- 3. Provide a mechanism for additional program development to further practice, research, and education within an interest area.
- 4. Provide targeted services to groups of members with similar interests.
- 5. Promote educational programs and research activities that might otherwise not be provided.
- 6. Provide a forum for members with similar interests to meet.
- 7. Increase the opportunity for member participation in ACCP activities.
- Provide a network to gain member feedback on issues of concern to ACCP committees and the Board of Regents.
- 9. Provide an avenue for the development of leaders within ACCP.



Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association's 10th Annual Meeting Join everyone in New Orleans as we celebrate with a 10th Anniversary Gala! March 26-29, 2014 www.hoparx.org

ISOPP XIV International Symposium on Oncology Pharmacy Practice ISOPP's biennial meeting is being held in North America next year in Montreal, Canada! April 2-5, 2014 www.isoppxiv.org



Did you even know that there was a webpage for the PRN? If not, take a look at My Account on the website and the Hematology/Oncology link is under the heading Practice and Research Networks (or you can just use the address: <u>http://www.accp.com/prns/entrance.aspx?prn</u> <u>=hmon</u>).