



# APCR Newsletter

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Celebrating 10 years  
of Excellence!

## Annual Meeting Is Here!

The annual meeting this year is being held in San Diego. It is also the 10th year anniversary of the APCR! Listed below are a few of the APCR sessions:

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#### Tuesday, March 23rd

**8:30 - 12:00pm**  
*APDR/APCR Joint Session: Program Directors 101 & 201*

**6:30 - 7:30pm**  
*APCR Reception*

#### Wednesday, March 24th

**4:00 - 5:30pm**  
*APCR Business Meeting 1 - Open to all members*

**6:30 - 8:30pm**  
*AUR Welcome Reception*

#### Thursday, March 25th

**7:00 - 8:15am**  
*APCR Session #1 Challenges in Our Profession*

**8:30 - 10:00am**  
*APDR/APCR Leadership Meeting*

**4:00 - 5:30pm**  
*APCR Session #2*

#### Friday, March 26th

**7:00 - 8:30am**  
*APCR Committee Meetings - Open to all members*

#### Friday, March 26th

**8:00 - 9:30am**  
*APDR/APCR Session Point/Counterpoint: Controversies in Radiology Training*

**10:30am - 12:00pm**  
*APDR/APCR Session: Resident Portfolios: What Why and How?*

**2:00 - 3:30pm**  
*APCR Business Meeting #2 - Open to all members*

## TAGME Update



The assessment tools for Diagnostic Radiology were accepted by the TAGME Board and Diagnostic Radiology is now in the position to offer TAGME certification to those coordinators who wish to apply for certification.

This is voluntary and APCR does not obligate its members to seek certification. The first sitting for certification will take place on Monday, March 22, 2010 the day before the annual AUR meeting begins. Several candidates have applied for certification and will be taking the assessment in San Diego.

Congratulations to our first group of TAGME certified coordinators!

**Gloria Jorge  
Madeline Mateo  
Sherry Bucholz  
Pauline Marek  
Lynn Lammers  
Katherine Dixon  
Glenn Clarke  
Tammi Teeters-McDade**

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## Awards & Recognition

Congratulations to the Professional Development Committee for their poster, Recruitment Guidelines Using ACGME Competencies or How to Select a Candidate in Six Easy Steps. We are pleased to announce that they WON AN AWARD at the CGEA Meeting!

***Best RIME new investigator - Dora Thompson, Recruitment Guidelines Using ACGME Competencies or How to Select a Candidate in Six Easy Steps***

***Note: (RIME=Research In Medical Education)***

Thanks to all members of the Committee, and especially to Dora Miller and to Lois Shuman for representing the Professional Development Committee and the APCR at the CGEA meeting. We are all very proud!!

### Dora Miller

#### Outstanding Coordinator of the Year 2008

From 1989 to 1996, Ms. Miller was the events coordinator for Parkview Community Hospital Medical Center in Riverside, California. In 1996, she began her career in medical education and has experience on both the residency/fellowship and medical student aspects of training. Programs she has worked in include Anesthesiology and Family Practice at Maricopa Medical Center in Phoenix, Arizona; OB/GYN at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, Utah; and Vascular Surgery at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In 2002, she received her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Ms. Miller is an active member of the Association of Program Coordinators in Radiology and is a new author on a poster presented at AUR and RSNA. This same poster was also presented at the 2009 CGEA where it won an award for best new investigator for research in medical education. She has served on the Program Planning Committee, Awards Committee, and Website Committee and is Chairman to the Professional Development and Membership Committee. She has been at her current position since April 2007.

## Coordinator Spotlight -



**Three Things about Jessica Bazo**  
**Residency Program Assistant**  
**UC San Diego Medical Center**

#### Three Favorite TV Shows

House  
Big Bang Theory  
American Idol

#### Three Places I have been

London  
Paris  
Rome

#### Three Places I have lived

San Diego! Only home I've ever had.

#### Three Jobs I have had

Barista  
Ballet Teacher  
Tutor

#### Three of my favorite foods

Cream cheese wontons  
Spinach dip  
Peruvian stuffed potatoes

#### Three Names I go by

Jess  
Jessi  
Bazo

#### Three Things I am Looking Forward to

Next shopping spree at the craft store  
Tulips blooming in my garden  
Summer nights at Sea World

### Three Things about Dianna Otterstad

#### APCR Founding Member

#### Three Favorite TV Shows

CSI Miami  
Animal Cops  
American Pickers

#### Three Places I have been

Paris, France  
Charleston SC  
Washington DC

#### Three Places I have lived

Waxahachie TX  
Lubbock TX  
Odessa TX

#### Three Jobs I have had

Administrator,  
Neighborhood Youth Corps  
Mortgage loan processor  
Administrative Assistant  
Texas Tech

#### Three of my favorite foods

Jalapeno cornbread  
Asparagus  
Peach cobbler

#### Three Names I go by

Dianna  
Dinaner (don't even ask)  
Nana

#### Three Things I am Looking Forward to

Grandchildren  
Moving to East Texas, away from the city  
Driving trip to Minnesota-Wisconsin (where my husband's from)

## Celebrations!

### APCR Work Anniversary Dates

January 3	Mandy Velligan (2006)
January 5	Beth Washa (1976)
February 2	Mary Botero (2009) Kathy Dixon (2005)
February 13	Anne Jones (1999)
February 22	Jennifer Kelly (2010)
February 26	Camille Dykas (1990)
March 14	Lori Dyar (1993)
March 21	Judy Fast (1974)
March 22	Lynn Lammers (1999)



### Happy Birthday!

January 6	Camille Dykas
January 11	Olga Ortega
January 22	Stella Martinez
January 23	Patti Horvath
January 24	Rosemary Belz
January 26	Cedell Cook
February 5	Jessica Bazo
February 8	Lakesha Hudson
February 10	Ginger Tubbs
February 17	Patty O'Kelly
February 18	Eutropia Rhodes
February 19	Roseanne Linkowski
March 10	Elaine Wymer
March 14	Carla Claussen
March 25	Tina Kutsuma
March 26	Barbara Madison
March 31	Janet Palmer

## What's new in Radiology

The RRC News for Diagnostic Radiology recently e-mailed it's newsletter to all programs.

Please visit the link below to review the latest from the ACGME:

[http://www.acgme.org/acWebsite/RRC\\_420\\_News/DR\\_Mar10.pdf](http://www.acgme.org/acWebsite/RRC_420_News/DR_Mar10.pdf)

The NRMP voted to proceed to institute a managed scramble starting in 2012. Under the new plan unfilled positions will be offered and accepted during Match week via the R3 system every three hours. To learn more please visit: <http://www.nrmp.org>

## APCR Survey

Fees for Completion of Verification  
of Training Forms (April 2009)

Does your program/department/GME office charge a fee for the completion of verification of training forms for former residents?

**Yes—31% No—68.6%**

What is the average range of the fee being charged?

**\$10-\$25 = 51.5% \$25-\$50 = 36.4%;  
\$50-\$75 = 9.1% >\$75 = 3%**

Is there a different charge amount depending on the # of years that have passed since the resident left or for multiple requests received for the same resident?

**Yes—45.5% No—45.5%**

For the remainder of the results and to view other surveys, please visit:

<https://www2.apdr.org/members/welcome.cfm>

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## History of APCR

The Association of Program Coordinators in Radiology was conceived in the spring of 1998 during a conversation between Jerry Arndt, MD, former program director at Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas, and George Curry, MD, program director at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas. Following the 1998 annual meeting, Dr. Arndt, founder of the Association of Program Directors in Radiology, told Dr. Curry he was considering new projects for the APDR, and Dr. Curry suggested an association for program coordinators.

Dr. Curry and Dr. Arndt then approached Dianna Otterstad, program coordinator at UT Southwestern, about the feasibility of such an organization. During the following year Dr. Arndt and Dianna had several discussions about the best way to start an organization of program coordinators, and Dr. Arndt began to make inquiries to the APDR officers and directors to get their reaction to such a project.

Immediately following the 1999 APDR meeting, Dr. Arndt recommended contacting as many coordinators as possible to determine if there was sufficient interest in a coordinators' organization to pursue the matter further. The newly-installed president of the APDR, Dr. Murray Janower, and several other APDR leaders supported such an organization, and Dr. Arndt felt this would be a favorable year for organization. Dr. Arndt and Dianna developed a survey and emailed it to approximately 50 coordinators. The response was overwhelmingly positive. Dianna then wrote to Dr. Janower, president of the APDR, regarding the possibility of a coordinators' organization, and in July 1999 Dr. Janower invited the program coordinators to attend the next annual meeting scheduled for April 2000 in Orlando, Florida.

About this time Sherry Bucholz of Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, Washington, volunteered to assist with organizing the meeting, a most welcome offer. Since we did not have a mailing list at that time, the meeting announcements were addressed to "Residency Program Coordinator" and sent to all radiology programs listed in the green book. Sherry and Dianna wrote an invitation letter that was included in the coordinators' registration packets.

Thirty-five coordinators attended the inaugural meeting of the Association of Program Coordinators in Radiology in Orlando. We held two organizational meetings and decided on an official name for our organization. The membership of the APDR approved the concept of a program coordinators' organization at its Orlando business meeting.

Following the Orlando meeting, we went to work in earnest. The Membership Committee conducted a survey of all radiology program coordinators and compiled a complete database with names and contact information for all coordinators. We conducted our first membership campaign and began planning for the 2001 meeting in Toronto, Canada. We submitted an official letter of request and the APCR Rules of Operation to the APDR Board of Directors, which they officially approved at their December 2000 meeting. The last remaining step would be approval by the APDR membership in Toronto.

The Toronto meeting was a great success, with 59 coordinators attending. Dr. Coralie Shaw, who succeeded Dr. Janower as APDR president, announced that the APDR had officially approved affiliation of the APCR with the APDR. APCR members are designated as Coordinating Members of the Association of Program Directors in Radiology and receive all mailings of the APDR except the journal. Membership dues for the first year were fixed at \$50. Thus, the long road to official recognition and acceptance was completed, and the Association of Program Coordinators in Radiology looked forward to a productive and mutually beneficial relationship with the APDR.