



ASSOCIATION OF PROGRAM COORDINATORS IN RADIOLOGY

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Dear Fellow APCR Members,

Happy Fall Y'all! The holidays are right around the corner. Hoping this letter finds everyone doing well even though we are knee deep into interview season! As APCR President, I wanted to touch base and catch you up on some exciting things happening with the APCR. We are looking forward to the upcoming AUR Meeting next April 2023. The Program Planning Committee has scheduled some great speakers and presentations. In addition, we will also be hosting a couple of breakfast roundtables at the meeting for APCR members to discuss radiology "Hot Topics". We wanted to be more active throughout the year and provide more opportunities for coordinators that we thought would be helpful.

The theme for this year's AUR 71st Annual Meeting is *"Imagine, Create, Innovate – Exploring Radiology's Imaginarium"*. Thank you to President-elect Sheik Amin and the Board of Directors for their hard work in planning the upcoming meeting. Despite the last few years being off kilter, we are dedicated to reclaiming the great APCR! We have been working on ways to improve membership and by providing up to date information and hoping for more member engagement.

We recently released our new social media accounts – Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. This will allow our members to have easier access to group information, or simply to ask questions and support one another.

I have provided some updates on some of our committees below and what they have been working on behind the scenes. We encourage you to join one of our committee groups. If any of them speak to you or if you are just wanting to get more involved, please reach out and let us know. We welcome all the participation!

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Mentoring Committee

Chairs: Amanda Hicks

The goal for the mentoring committee this year was to build up the number of mentors on the committee, have quarterly meetings to touch base with committee members, and reach out to mentees over the year. They are also making plans for the APCR Meet & Greet at the AUR Meeting.

This committee is also working on the pre-existing Foundations Course. In the past, the Foundations Course for new coordinators was presented at the AUR Meeting. Instead, we have decided to break it down into quarterly sessions and make available to members throughout the year. Sessions are geared towards new coordinators but anyone can attend if they are just looking for a refresher. It is basically going over the Coordinator Timeline step by step. We have already presented one Foundations Course in September. Another session will be held in January.

Membership Committee

Chair: Angela Huff

This committee encourages and assists in the recruitment of new members and works hand in hand with the Mentoring Committee. Angela is working closely with Amanda in the planning phase of our Meet and Greet at the AUR Meeting as well as helping facilitate the Foundations Course online.

Wellness Committee

Chair: Sandra Palma

We had our first APCR Wellness Journal Club event on November 8th! Journal articles were sent to members and then we had a nice discussion over the topic of coordinator burnout and self care. Sandria Wong facilitated the discussion.

The APCR Wellness Committee is also excited to announce its continued support for the Annual Radiology Winter Doldrums Week celebration to be held from Feb 13th to the 17th 2023!

The week is coined “Radiology Winter Doldrums Week”, as those from the northern climates will attest, February is a bitterly cold month and can often lead to the doldrums.

The Wellness Committee has been working on some great ideas for members as well. They are planning some fun activities at the AUR Meeting that APCR members can participate in such as – evening cruise, lunch and evening walks, yoga session. More detailed information to come.

Electronic Communications

Chair: Amy Spencer Co-Chair: Amanda Hicks

Electronic Communications kicked us off with the new social media accounts – Facebook, Instagram, & Twitter. This will allow our members an easier method for up to date information and happenings with the APCR! They are also working on updates to the APCR website which will include more current information. We are also working on having the YAPP APP available year round.

IR/DR Committee

Chair: Ranitta McDowell

This committee shares best practices and collaboration in the areas of IR Residency program management. More discussion on committee goals will take place at the AUR Meeting 2023.

Scholarship Committee**Chair: Ranitta McDowell**

This committee oversees the APCR Scholarship Fund. They will review applications for the upcoming AUR Meeting and select recipients who meet the guidelines. We would like to offer more scholarships to members. Since the meeting is a hybrid format, we would like members to apply for scholarship for a chance to have their registration fee covered for those who cannot attend in person as well as a scholarship for a member whose program does not cover the cost for you to attend the meeting.

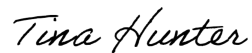
Professional Development**Chair: Susan Lamey**

The Professional Development Committee is planning to do a pre-conference newsletter. They will work on getting one sent prior to AUR 2023. They are currently brainstorming ideas for the APCR lunch at AUR.

As was mentioned before, if you are interested in participating on a committee, please let us know. We will send out an APCR Survey in the Spring and you will have a chance to sign up then as well. Other committees that were not mentioned above will be updated either before or at the AUR Meeting. You can find the list of committees on the APCR website.

Wishing you and your programs a very successful Match this year!! Happy Holidays!

Best,



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