



# APCR Newsletter

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## President's Report

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Sally Jones, C-TAGME  
APCR President

Greetings!

I hope this letter finds you well as you conclude the 2015-16 academic year and begin 2016-2017!

It has been a few months since the Annual Association of University Radiologists (AUR) meeting in San Diego. If you were able to attend, I hope you found it both informative and useful. We had many excellent presentations, including guest speakers from the ACGME, AIRP, ERAS and from our very own membership. We also hosted our very first Program Coordinator's Competition to test our knowledge of accreditation guidelines and program requirements. Congratulations to the winning team, "3 Days In" (see page 2)!

If you were unable to attend the meeting, you can review many of the excellent presentations online via the "members only" section of the APCR website. In addition, our President-Elect, Sylvia Zavatchen, is already working diligently with her Program Planning Committee to create an exciting program for the next meeting in Hollywood, Florida (May 8-11, 2017). We hope you can attend!

Since the meeting, time seems to have flown by as we prepared to graduate our seniors and orient the newest members of our programs. The next few months will prove to be no less eventful as we all work diligently to complete our ADS updates and prepare for the upcoming recruitment season in the midst of many other projects and responsibilities!

As I reflect on how our roles as Program Administrators/Coordinators/Managers continue to expand and become

*Do you have news you'd like to share? Or would you like to nominate someone for our Coordinator Spotlight? If so, please contact Jacqueline. [jdwilliams@uams.edu](mailto:jdwilliams@uams.edu)*

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increasingly more complex, it reminds me of the importance of being a part of a national association that keeps us abreast of crucial information and provides us with opportunities to consult and network with our colleagues.

Therefore, I am extremely grateful to be a part of the APCR and am honored to serve as your President this year. My heartfelt thanks to Marleen Viola, Mandy Velligan, Lynn Lammers, Kathy Dixon, Lois Shuman and many others for the encouragement to get involved and their guidance in preparing for this role.

I hope you will feel free to contact me if you have any questions, suggestions, or if I can be of any assistance over this next year ([sajone2@uky.edu](mailto:sajone2@uky.edu)).

Warm Regards,

Sally A. Jones  
APCR President

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## PC Competition at AUR

There was friendly competition at the Annual AUR Meeting in beautiful San Diego, California. The winning team "**3 Days In**" Sheik Amin, Ann Atiyeh, Heather Gottfried, Anne Jones, Gloria Jorge, Lisa Kempton, Madeline Mateo, Sydney Nestor, Michelle Roth and Sylvia Zavatchen! Congratulations!!



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## ACGME Updates

### Common Program Requirements

The multiple FAQ documents addressing various sections of the Common Program Requirements (Clinical Competency Committee and Program Evaluation Committee, Duty Hours, Program Letters of Agreement, and Resident/Fellow Eligibility) have been combined into a single document, titled **Common Program Requirements FAQs**. This consolidated document also includes questions addressing Milestones assessment (page 10) and requirements specifying minimum ABMS Member Board take rates (page 14). The FAQs can be found on the **Common Program Requirements** page of ACGME website.

### NEW - Milestone Summary Report

A new Milestone report has been added to ADS for individual residents. The **Summary Report** provides an enhanced version of the completed Milestones evaluation form in PDF format. It will be posted to ADS after the completion of each evaluation window along with the existing Milestone **Narrative Report**. The **Summary Report** is now available in ADS for the most recent Milestones evaluation and all historical evaluations of individual residents.

This new report can be found on a program's "Reports" tab - select "Milestone Evaluations" and choose an academic year and schedule window. Within the presented list of residents, click the "Summary Report" button to access this report.

E-mail [ADS@acgme.org](mailto:ADS@acgme.org) with any questions.

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## ERAS

ERAS opens for Diagnostic Radiology programs September 15, 2016!

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## NRMP News

This is a great opportunity to enhance your presentation skills and build your portfolio!!

NRMP Annual Conference is accepting proposals for breakout sessions! Proposals are being accepted for breakout sessions focusing on themes related to medical education, the Match, and preparation for residency. All breakout sessions are 90 minutes in length, and submissions not accepted may be considered for a poster session. All submissions must include learning objectives that detail the "take away" points for attendees.

### Submission Requirements and Review

Submissions are limited to 300 words and must identify all proposed speakers, their titles, and academic affiliations. Proposals involving multiple stakeholders - medical students, resident physicians, GME training directors, and medical school educators - are encouraged.

NRMP does not discount the registration fee or pay travel expenses for breakout session speakers, but the registration fee will be waived for medical students and residents presenting as part of an accepted proposal.

For detailed information please click link:

<http://www.nrmpconference.org/submit.html>

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## SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Sherry Bucholz and Janet Palmer were chosen to be two of twelve members appointed to the new ACGME Coordinator Advisory Group. They were selected from a group of over 200 candidates.

Sherry Bucholz is the Radiology Residency Program coordinator at Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, Washington. She was also the recipient of the 2015 APCR Outstanding Coordinator Award.

Janet Palmer is the Radiology Residency Program Coordinator at Baylor University Medical Center at Dallas (BUMC), and also serves as a Board Member-at-Large on the APCR Board of Directors.

The Coordinator Advisory Group will serve as a consultative group to ACGME administration on matters related to improving graduate medical education and the coordinator role.

It is quite amazing that 2 of 12 group members are representing Radiology! Congratulations Sherry & Janet!

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## APCR ELECTRONICS COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

The Electronics Communication Committee (ECC) has been hard at work since the big meeting at AUR in San Diego. Some highlights include:

- LinkedIn – We currently have 111 APCR members who have joined the APCR LinkedIn group. Do you have a question that you need answered? Why not [start a conversation with the group...](#)
- Introducing the [NEW APCR Google Calendar](#). The calendar contains important dates and events for radiology program administrators, such as NRMP Match dates, ABR exam dates, important ACGME meetings dates agenda deadlines, etc. You do not need to have a Google account to view the calendar. If you already use Google calendars, you can easily add it to your list of calendars – placing all the information at your fingertips. A link to the calendar is also available on the [APCR website](#).
- 2016 AUR Meeting Presentations – available on the [APCR Google Drive](#) or the [APCR Website](#). APDR sessions are also available on the [APDR website](#).

Any inquiries regarding APCR electronic resources should be directed to the ECC Chairperson, Joseph Stuckelman: [joseph.stuckelman@cshs.org](mailto:joseph.stuckelman@cshs.org)

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## SURVEY COMMITTEE: APCR Policy on Survey Processing

We can always use a reminder about APCR policies!

### APCR Policy on Survey Processing

(in accordance with APDR Policy) (Updated February 2013) The Members of the Association of Program Coordinators in Radiology (APCR) may use the Membership e-mail list, free of charge, to collect and gather information that will be of interest and of use to the membership.

Examples:

- . Conduct surveys
- . Request and obtain ideas on various topics

The APCR e-mail list is not available to non-members.

The process to submit a request is as follows:

- You must be an APCR member to make a request.
- Send request to the Survey Committee: [sajone2@email.uky.edu](mailto:sajone2@email.uky.edu) . The Survey Committee will review the request and, if accepted, enter it in SurveyMonkey and submit it to the APCR President (or the President's designee) for final approval or rejection.
- Upon the APCR President's approval, the Survey Committee will forward the survey to the APDR Account Manager, for distribution to APCR members via e-mail.
- The Survey Committee will obtain a report/summary of the survey responses in SurveyMonkey and forward the report/summary to the member who requested the survey and to the chair of the Long Range Planning Committee for the newsletter.
- All survey reports/summaries will be posted in the Members Only section of the APCR website.

If you are interested on becoming a member of the Survey Committee please contact Sally Jones via email: [sajone2@email.uky.edu](mailto:sajone2@email.uky.edu)



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## NEW FOUNDATION COURSE: Debut 2017 AUR

We are thrilled to announce that, in response to member feedback, we have expanded the APCR New Member Boot Camp from a one-hour session to a half-day affair!

In recognition of the expanded content, the Boot Camp has been renamed the Foundation Course and will be held *before* the official start of the AUR, on the same day as the APCR Reception.

Foundation Course  
Sunday, May 7  
1:00-5:00pm

***TIP! TIP! TIP!*** Please make travel arrangements accordingly if you plan to attend.

Over the past eight years, new and changing requirements from the ACGME have increased the responsibilities of and skill set needed by PCs. Training and support have not kept up with these demanding conditions. A 2014 survey of radiology PCs revealed that 73 percent of respondents had received no training for the position. So in 2015 the APCR Board, under the direction of then-President Mandy Velligan, developed a Boot Camp which targeted PCs with less than two years' experience to help the APCR's newest members understand the expectations of the position and the professional resources available.

In the spirit of quality improvement, we have been enhancing this every year. At the 2017 AUR, the Foundation Course will be composed of three sections: A Year in the Life, Resources, Open Q&A. All are welcome to attend, but the content will be geared toward PCs with fewer than two years' experience.

- *A Year in the Life* will review month-by-month responsibilities and how and when to prepare for them.
- *Resources* will introduce the many organizational and educational internet resources available to Radiology PCs.
- *Open Q&A* will provide a non-judgmental forum within which novice PCs can ask questions and raise any concerns they have.

Keep reading the newsletter for more details about the Foundation Course as we draw closer to AUR!

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## DON'T FORGET!



To submit an article, picture, quote, etc to the newsletter, please contact Jacqueline Williams via email [jdwilliams@uams.edu](mailto:jdwilliams@uams.edu)

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