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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Howdy Friends and colleagues!

The Texas Chapter has had another productive year in 2019 and 2020 looks to be another. The leadership team is back from the Congress in Orlando and busy planning even more activities and value for your membership.

I must start by expressing my sincere appreciation for the hard work the leadership team provided over the past year and express special thanks to the members rolling off their positions. We welcome the new members to the leadership team and look forward to hearing and enacting their ideas for advancement of the Chapter.

I am sincerely grateful and honored to be selected to serve as YOUR president this year. I am a surgical intensivist at Houston Methodist Sugar Land for the past four years. Prior to that I served as a trauma surgeon/intensivist in Tyler at the Level I trauma center, the former East Texas Medical Center. I am a native Houstonian, graduating from the High School for Health Professions. I have been a member of the Texas Chapter since the reinstitution of the Chapter in 2008. I have served on the board of directors (2014-2016), and as your secretary (2016-2018) and president-elect (2019-2020). In addition, I have worked with the membership, research and symposium committees. I hope this exposure will place me in a position to lead our Chapter to continued success.

The Texas Chapter is the largest chapter of SCCM and our membership is a diverse and talented group of professionals. We have had numerous educational events throughout the five regions (Houston, El Paso, Austin, San Antonio and Dallas). Included in these educational opportunities, we had several of these simulcasted throughout the state. We have sent numerous members to Congress, including members using the professional development award. At this year's congress, Texas had six members inducted as fellows (FCCM) in the American College of Critical Care Medicine! I would like to see others inducted next year, if you believe you are a candidate, please review the requirements. The Nominations Committee will oversee the Mentor-Mentee program to hopefully result in success in achieving the FCCM designation.

As we enter this new decade, our leadership team have several goals for the year. The first goal for the year is bringing you continued pertinent educational programming. I hope to work with the Programming Committee to bring a diverse and interesting series of presentations and encourage members to join the Speakers Bureau available the website. Also, I will continue to use our technology to make programming available by simulcast. I would also like to engage our nearly 700 members and encourage involvement in committee appointments and leadership. I would also like to put our brand in the spotlight of the community by having several community engagement activities throughout the year. I encourage you to look at our website and check out the opportunities available. Time commitments are variable. I will also work with the membership committee and nationals to work out some the issues some of our members have had. Finally, the 9th annual SCCM Texas Chapter Symposium is being planned. The symposium is tentatively planned to be September 25-26, 2020 at Children's Hospital in San Antonio. This represents the second time the symposium has traveled to San Antonio.

In closing, I want to remind you all, this is YOUR organization. If you have any questions, concerns, ideas, I encourage you to reach out to me or the leadership team. I look forward to working with our team of volunteer leaders to bringing you continued value for your membership.

Best Regards,

DARRELL E. R. ALLEY, MD, MBA, FACS, FCCP, FCCM

Reagan Collins, PharmD,
BCCCP (Past Chair)

SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEE



9th Annual SCCM Texas Chapter Symposium

Date: Friday, September 25, 2020 and Saturday,
September 26, 2020

Location: Children's Hospital of San Antonio (333 N.
Santa Rosa St., San Antonio, TX)

We need your help in planning another successful
symposium, See volunteer opportunities below.

Congratulations to Dr. Utpal Bhalala as he will be taking
over as Symposium Committee Chair.

Please email symposium@sccm-texaschapter.org if you are
interested in any of the following volunteer opportunities
below, click on each opportunity to get more
information:

- [Symposium Committee Member](#)
- [Symposium Planning Charge Representative](#)

COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE UPDATE

ANNETTE LISTA, PHARM D, BCCCP

The **Communications Committee** is responsible for the dissemination of information between our chapter and its members. With that being said, we have created an Instagram account (@SCCMTXChapter) in addition to our other social media platforms. Please follow to see our latest pictures of our events, membership, and any special announcements. Did you stop by our recent community engagement event? Have you attended the SCCM Texas Chapter Symposium? Did you enjoy the most recent evening educational programming in your area? We love to share what our members are doing across the state of Texas. So, tag us in your pictures! You can tag us on Instagram by using the hashtag #SCCMTexasChapter.

Since most of the volunteers on the Communications Committee work behind the scenes. I'd like to introduce a few of our members. **Mahmoud Sabawi**, PharmD, BCCCP is a Critical Care Pharmacy Specialist at Houston Methodist Hospital. Mahmoud is the coordinator for the Texas Chapter's Facebook/Twitter account. He has been in his role for almost two years. **Jennifer Mireles**, RD, LD, CNSC is continuing to volunteer for San Antonio area communications. Jen has been practicing in the critical care setting for almost 10 years and is especially passionate about nutrition support. She is currently serving as President of the Texas Alamo Chapter of the American Society of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (ASPEN) and is excited about representing dietitians in SCCM.

Please continue to look for our emails (texaschapter.sccm@gmail.com), website (www.sccmtexaschapter.org), Facebook and Twitter (@SCCMTXChapter), and now Instagram (@SCCMTXChapter) for meeting announcements and general organizational communications. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to stay up to date on each of our events!



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RESEARCH COMMITTEE

MICHELLE HORNG, PHARMD, BCPS, BCCCP

It has been a busy time for the Research Committee and we have a lot to share with you! First, we would like to congratulate the winner of the Alan I. Fields awards. Please join us at the annual business/awards meeting for his platform presentation when it is rescheduled.

Effects of SMOFLIPID® vs. INTRALIPID® on liver enzyme changes in patients with chronic liver disease

Jesse E. Harris, PharmD, Jonathan L. Balk, PharmD, BCCCP, Michael Sirimatueros, PharmD, BCNSP, BCCCP, FCCM

Second, we would like to encourage all members to submit for the chapter's Joseph L. Nates Grant of \$4000. This annual research grant is intended for clinical research designed to enhance the care and outcomes of critically ill patients. The application deadline is June 15, 2020. Please go to the Society of Critical Care Medicine Texas Chapter home page or <http://www.sccmtexaschapter.org/research-grant/> for more information on eligibility, expectations, and the application process.

Lastly, the research committee is currently in need of reviewers who are nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, respiratory therapists, or other allied health professions. We would love to have you as part of the team. Please review the information on the SCCM-Texas Chapter website Research tab or contactresearch@sccmtexaschapter.org for more information on joining the research committee.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Rebecca Attridge, PharmD, MSc, BCPS

The elections for leadership positions on the SCCM Texas Chapter Executive Committee and Board of Directors are now complete. Congratulations to all who were elected to a leadership position. We thank the chapter for the high number of votes in this year's election and the many candidates who volunteered to serve the chapter. Thank you for your participation!

The chapter would also like to thank Sharla Tajchman for her time spent a Treasurer for the last 4 years as well as Dr. Bhalala, Daniel Arellano, and Becky Halfon for their dedication and time while serving on the Board of Directors these past three years. Congratulations to the newly elected!

The results of this year's election are:

Executive Committee

President- Elect:

Daniel Arellano, PhD, APRN, ACNP-BC,
CCRN, CEN, CFRN, EMT-P
Advanced Practice Provider – Critical Care
University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer
Center - Houston

Treasurer:

Reagan D. Collins, PharmD, BCCCP
Clinical Pharmacist Specialist, Critical Care
University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer
Center – Houston

Board of Directors

Physician Seat:

Deepa Bangalore Gotur, MD, FCCP, FCCM
Intensivist
Houston Methodist Hospital

At Large Seats:

Monica de Freitas, PT, DPT
Physical Therapist
Texas Children's Hospital

Melanie Madorsky, PharmD, BCPS, BCCP
Clinical Pharmacist Specialist, Cardiac Critical
Care
Memorial Hermann Texas Medical Center -
Houston

If you have any questions regarding the nominations or elections process and how to become more involved, please contact the Nominations Committee at nominations@sccmtexaschapter.org.

GET TO KNOW YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Each newsletter will feature a few members of our SCCM Board of Directors (BOD).



LISA CUSHMAN, MS,
RN NE-BC

BOD Position: Nurse

Job Title: Director Patient Care - Coronary Care Unit

Hospital: Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center, Houston

SCCM Texas Chapter member: 6 years

What do you enjoy about being a SCCM Texas

Chapter member? Multidiscipline

membership/networking state wide, educational opportunities (Annual Symposium), research sharing

Favorite Hobbies: Spending time with family, going to the beach, fishing, camping, hiking, reading, and puzzles

DEEPAR GOTUR, MD,
FCCP, FCCM

BOD Position: Physician

Job Title: Intensivist (MICU)

Hospital: Houston Methodist Hospital, Houston

SCCM Texas Chapter member: 8 years

What do you enjoy about being a SCCM Texas

Chapter member? Networking

Favorite Hobbies: Medical Illustrations



MELANIE MADORSKY,
PHARMD, BCPS, BCCP

BOD Position: At-Large

Job Title: Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Cardiac ICU

Hospital: Memorial Hermann Texas Medical Center, Houston

SCCM Texas Chapter member: 2 years

What do you enjoy about being a SCCM Texas Chapter member? Opportunity to network with other healthcare professionals

Favorite Hobbies: Hiking



PROGRAM COMMITTEE UPDATE

Andro Herrera-Mendoza, DBA, RRT-NPS, RPFT, FACHE

HAPPY SPRING! The Programing Committee enjoyed an active 2019 with a robust programing schedule that included relevant Adult and Pediatric Critical Care programming throughout all our member regions. Additionally, our chapter instituted Lunch and Learn programs designed to provide another convenient format to engage our members. For 2020, the Program Committee will look to recruit a dynamic leader that can continue to advance our program objectives which will include, increased non-sponsored programs, additional programs for our Neonatal and Pediatric constituencies and extended use of web-enabled platforms to link not only our member chapters but also bring timely education to underrepresented areas in our state. So, if you are interested in leading our program committee I invite you to contact our leadership and advise of your interest, Lastly, if have not had an opportunity to attend a local program, I encourage all members to utilize their member-benefit by attending and gaining insight into new modalities and treatment interventions being practiced in critical care medicine today.

Date	Location	Topic	Speaker	Sponsor
1/22/2020	Brennan's of Houston—Houston	Ceftazidime/avibactam and its use in clinical practice	Joshua Rosenberg, MD	Allergen
2/19/2020	Maggiano's Little Italy—Houston	Prophylaxis of Acutely Ill Medical Patients and Treatment of DVT/PE	Sanjay Kunapuli, MD	Janssen
3/25/2020	Fleming's Prime Steakhouse—Houston, Austin, and San Antonio Ruth's Chris Steak House—Dallas and El Paso	End of the Year Business Meeting	N/A	SCCM Texas Chapter

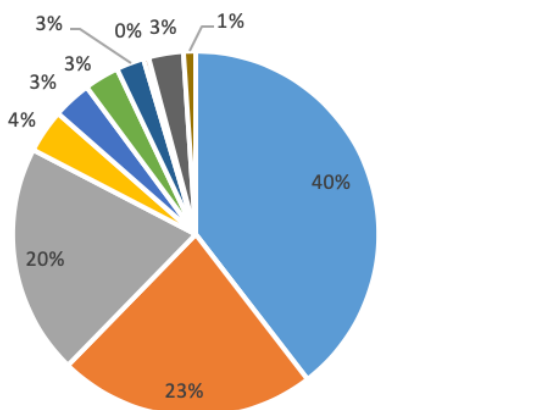
The Program Committee welcomes members interested in planning future chapter meetings and events! We also welcome ideas or suggestions you may have for programming across the state. If you are interested in becoming actively involved in the Program Committee, please contact programs@sccmtexaschapter.org.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

MAGGIE MA, PHARMD, BCPS

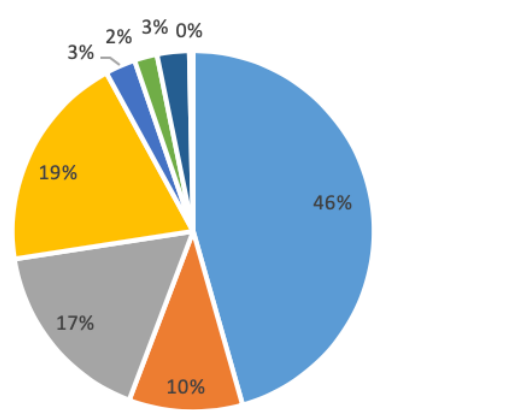
We have entered a new year, and a new decade – so just a reminder that membership referrals have reset. Congratulations to Eden Cadiang-Gopal for referring 4 new members in 2019! Our current membership is steady at 650 members. Here is a snapshot of what our membership looks like broken down:

Membership by City / Region



■ Houston ■ Dallas ■ San Antonio ■ Austin ■ West Texas
■ North Texas ■ South Texas ■ East Texas ■ Out of State ■ Unknown

Membership by Discipline



■ Physician ■ Nurse Practitioner ■ Nursing ■ Pharmacy
■ Physician's Assistant ■ Physical Therapy ■ Respiratory Therapy ■ Dietitian

Friendly reminder to send all your membership referrals to membership@sccmtexaschapter.org to start accumulating your referrals for a free membership next year! Remember, you only need to refer 3 new members (if you are an SCCM member), and 4 new members (if you are not an SCCM member). As always, please send any membership questions or concerns to membership@sccmtexaschapter.org.

AWARDS COMMITTEE UPDATE

OLGA RODRIGUEZ, MSN, RN, CPHQ

Thank you to those who submitted nominations for the annual awards. We are looking forward to acknowledging our members at the end of the year meeting scheduled for March. We also want to acknowledge our members who received the Professional Development Award and were able to be supported in attending Congress this year. Congratulations to **Elizabeth Dozier, Daniel Arellano, Beth Cook, Paige Baize, and Ada Juba!** We hope you had an excellent experience at Congress. The Professional Development Award is provided to members each year who are seeking to attend Congress in order to gain professional growth. The Award provides up to \$1000 for registration and travel reimbursement. Applications will be open again in September 2020. Be on the lookout for information this summer.

We also want to acknowledge our committee members this year. Special thanks to **Olga Rodriguez, Monica Damasceno de Freitas, Diane Santiago, Ashley Selby, Ana Paula Cassiano Silveira, Sidnei Ziotti Junior, and Jen Mireles** for your time and willingness to serve on the committee. If you are interested in volunteering as committee member for the upcoming year, please reach out to us at awards@sccmtexaschapter.org. We would like to see members from across the state as well as across disciplines.

Lastly, 6 SCCM Texas Chapter Members were inducted into the **American College of Critical Care Medicine at the Convocation of Fellows** at Congress this year.



(Left to Right)

Darrell Alley, MD, MBA, FCCM

Deepa Gotur, MD, FCCP, FCCM

Anne Rain Brown, PharmD, BCCCP, FCCM

Jennifer Cortes, PharmD, BCPS, BCCCP, FCCM

Brian Dee, PharmD, BCCCP, BCNSP, FCCM

Teresa Allison, PharmD, BCPS, BCCCP, FCCM

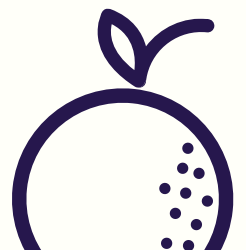
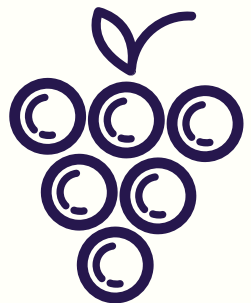
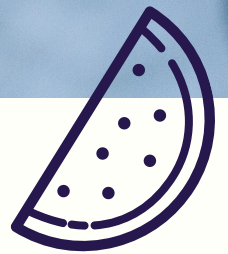


VICKY FAN, PA-C

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Are you interested in opportunities to be more involved with your local community? Are you looking for volunteering events to fulfill work or organizational requirements? Sign up to volunteer in our upcoming events around town. It is a great way to meet members of SCCM and a fun way to make an impact on your local community!

If you are interested, please email
communityengagement@sccmtexaschapter.org.



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