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President's Corner



Greetings Texas SCCM Membership,

As COVID-19 hospitalizations begin to decline across the state, I hope you are planning to focus on wellness and recovery this summer. Take some time to **reflect on your needs and focus on key elements of self-care** such as exercise, diet, and proper sleep.

We are excited to **welcome the return of our monthly programming** in each region. A **special thank you** to our **programs committee and regional coordinators** for ensuring high quality educational content across the state. Regional meeting announcements are sent via email so make sure to follow the instructions to RSVP and cancel if you are unable to attend.

Our Symposium committee has been busy planning the **10th Annual Texas SCCM Symposium, "ICU: It's All About Resilience," hosted in San Antonio October 8-9, 2021**. We are excited to welcome **SCCM President, Greg Martin, MD for the keynote address**. The Community Engagement committee is planning a **pre-symposium event** and details are forthcoming. **Registration** for the symposium will open in the next few

weeks. We look forward to meeting in person for some exciting and engaging programming.

The Texas Chapter received a grant in the Spring to offer a **completely free and virtual FCCS course** to members in our state. We have tentively planned to host this event via Zoom July 30-31. Registration will be prioritized to those most in need of critical care training and will be limited based on availability. Stay tuned for more details on this exciting opportunity.

Lastly, the deadline for the **Joseph L. Nates Research grant** is July 1st. Please visit the chapter website to learn more about how you can obtain \$4000 to support your clinical research project.

If you have any questions or suggestions about the Texas Chapter, please do not hesitate to email me at:
president@sccmtexaschapter.org.

Daniel Arellano, PhD, RN, APRN, ACNP-BC, CCRN, CEN, CFRN, EMT-P
President, Texas Chapter



Mark your calendars!

10th Annual Society of Critical Care Medicine Texas Chapter Symposium

ICU: It's All About Resilience

Featuring:

Keynote speaker: Dr. Greg Martin, current president of SCCM
and
Wellness and Jeopardy offerings!

Friday-Saturday October 8th and 9th, 2021

Hybrid in-person at Children's Hospital of San Antonio and
virtually via Zoom Webinar

See next page for more information

Presentation schedule and registration details coming soon

If you are interested in joining the symposium planning committee or have any questions, please contact the Symposium Committee Chair, Utpal Bhalala (utpal.bhalala@bcm.edu).



Communications Committee

The Communications Committee is responsible for the dissemination of information between our chapter and its members.


Please check our accounts out on **Instagram** (@sccmtxchapter), **Facebook** (SCCM Texas Chapter), and **Twitter** (@SCCMTXChapter)! Please follow to see our latest pictures of our events, membership, and any special announcements. We love to share what our members are doing across the state of Texas. **So, tag or send us in your pictures!** You can tag us on Instagram by using the hashtag **#SCCMTexasChapter**.

We have a **volunteer opportunity** available!
Please email communications@sccmtexaschapter.org if you are interested in becoming the

Austin Communications Coordinator:

- Send communications for Austin programming
- Work with Programming Committee to collect RSVPs and prepare sign in sheet for Austin Programming
- Average time commitment: 2-3 hours/month

As a reminder, to **reduce the likelihood** of emails ending up in your **spam or junk mail:**

- Periodically check your spam or junk folder
 - Add us to your contact list (texaschapter.sccm@gmail.com)
 - Consider changing your email on file to your personal email address by contacting membership@sccmtexaschapter.org
 - Check our social media sites for meeting information and other announcements
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Research Committee

July 1st is the application deadline for the chapter's **Joseph L. Nates Grant of \$4000**. The research committee would like to encourage all members to apply for this annual research grant which is intended to **support clinical research designed to enhance the care and outcomes of critically ill patients**.

Please visit 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.

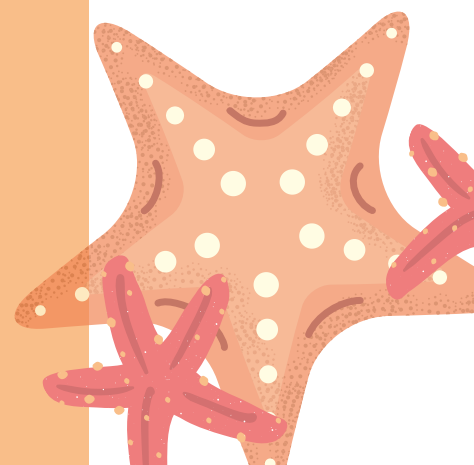
The **2021 Annual Symposium** will be held both virtually and in person at the Children's Hospital of San Antonio from October 8 - 9, 2021. It is time for you to **get started on your abstracts for presentation** to showcase the amazing research our membership is doing! **Abstracts submissions are currently open and the deadline is July 30th**. If accepted, your abstract will be presented as a PowerPoint research snapshot platform presentation. Additionally, it will be considered for one of two awards for **Best Symposium Abstract**. Recipients **will receive up to \$500** to be utilized for attending the symposium as well as free registration. Note, you can present your abstract at both the chapter symposium as well as the Annual SCCM Congress.

Application Process

- Application includes the abstract, a short bibliography, and a conflict of interest form
- All application materials must be submitted on-line by **midnight (CDT), July 30, 2021**

Please see the Annual Symposium tab on the Society of Critical Care Medicine- Texas Chapter website for more information.

Finally, in an effort to increase the outreach of the research committee in the coming year we are looking for members who are interested in research to **join our team**. We are in particular need of nurses, nurse practitioners, respiratory therapists, dietitians, physical or occupational therapists, physician assistants and other **allied health professionals**. Please review the information on the SCCM-Texas Chapter website Research tab or contact research@sccmtexaschapter.org for more information on joining the research committee.





Nominations Committee

FCCM Mentorship Program update:

We had a successful 2021 mentorship program and will be following up with both mentees and mentors to elicit **feedback** on the program this year.

We are also anxiously awaiting to hear from those who applied for fellowship this year!

If you are interested in applying for fellowship to the American College of Critical Care Medicine (ACCM) in 2022, please consider joining the mentorship program. We will be sending out the application process in early July with the hopes of matching mentors and mentees by September.

We also encourage everyone to review additional information related to the program, including qualifications, on our website at

<https://www.sccmtexaschapter.org/fccm-mentorship-program/>

If you have any questions about the FCCM Mentorship Program or would like to get involved with the Nominations Committee, please email us at nominations@sccmtexaschapter.org.

Programs Committee

In person programming has returned. I'm so happy to see everyone's face again. Our Annual Business Meeting in March was a success with a Multi City presentation.

The Programs Committee will continue to provide **educational topics and networking opportunities** that interest our members. We are grateful for our sponsors who have presented over different areas in the state of Texas. Below are some of the past events in May and **those upcoming June.**

In case you missed it:

BTG Pharmaceuticals hosted us in Houston (Maggiano's Little Italy), Dallas (Chamberlain's Steak and Chop House), and virtually on May 19th. Dr. William Banner presented "Crotaline Snakebite Management: The Role of Crofab."

Penumbra hosted us in San Antonio (Fleming's) for stroke month on May 20th. Dr. Lee Birnbaum and Dr. Justin Mascitelli presented "Large Vessel Occlusions and Advances in Treatment of Intracranial Aneurysm"

Zoll hosted us in San Antonio (Ruth's Chris Steak House) on June 2nd with presentations about high quality CPR with real time feedback and post ROSC TTM.

Coming up:

Wednesday, June 23rd at 7pm

"Andexanet alfa"

Perry's Steakhouse and Grille

1997 West Gray Street, **Houston**

Speaker: Hansel Huval

Sponsor: Alexion

Tuesday, July 13th at 6:30pm

"The Future of Resuscitation & TTM"

Juliet Italian Kitchen

1500 Barton Springs Road, **Austin**

Speaker: Adam Kessler

Sponsor: Zoll

If you have ideas or topics to discuss, please reach out to your local area Program Coordinators.

San Antonio: Andro Herrera-Mendoza, DBA, RRT-NPS, RPFT, FACHE

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Houston: Anne Rain Brown PharmD, BCCCP, FCCM

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Austin: Robert Huff RN, CCRN

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Membership Committee

The Membership Committee just wrapped up our **cookie giveaway** - we want to thank everyone who entered.

Congratulations to our winners:

**Cameron Dezfulian, MD, Geevarghese George, RRT,
and Pedro Chavez, MD!**

We are planning to hold another cookie giveaway in the fall/winter of this year, so make sure to keep your eyes peeled for that.

Summer Membership Drive!

Be on the lookout for an upcoming email or social media post (Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook). If you share our post on your social media and tag us or post a membership flyer at your workplace and send us a photo for proof, **your name will be entered into a raffle to win an amazing prize.**

All new members who join during the membership drive period will also be entered into a **separate raffle**. In addition, new Texas Chapter members will now receive a **welcome kit** which includes SCCM Texas Chapter swag, another incentive to get your colleagues and coworkers to join our chapter.

To conclude, we would like to highlight one of our Texas Chapter members:

Rebecca McClay, DNP, ACNPC-AG, CCRN-CMC-CSC, NPD-BC.

She is a critical care nurse practitioner. Her favorite part of her job is helping patients go from their worst days to being able to leave the hospital. Outside of work she enjoys hiking and reading.



Awards Committee

Thank you to those who submitted nominations for the annual awards. We acknowledged our members at the end of the year meeting in March.

We also want to recognize our members who received the **Professional Development Award** and were able to be supported in attending Congress this year.

Congratulations to Laura Blackburn, Jeannee Campbell, Brandon Sterling, Shyanne Locke, and Brian Dee!

We hope you had an excellent experience at Congress.

The Professional Development Award is provided to members each year who seek to attend Congress to gain professional growth. The award provides up to \$1000 for registration and travel reimbursement. Applications will be open again in September 2021. Be on the lookout for information this summer.

We also want to acknowledge our committee members this year. **Special thanks** to Linette Ewing, George Geevarghese, Ellen James, Bunnany Pekar, and Ashley Selby for your time and willingness to serve.

If you are interested in **volunteering** as a committee member for the upcoming year, please reach out at awards@sccmtexaschapter.org. We would like to see members from across the state as well as across disciplines.





Community Engagement

We are working on events to get our brand out to the public and healthcare providers. We have discussed **water safety education** in the Houston area community. More information on this soon.

We are also working on **FCCS course** based on the grant provided to us. The dates are July 30-31, 2021. If you are interested in participating, please contact Daniel Arellano (danielrx911@yahoo.com) or Darrell Alley (criticalcarealley@gmail.com).

We are planning a **community engagement event for the San Antonio symposium** in October. If you have interest or ideas, please contact Darrell. Also, the committee is **looking for members to provide input and assist in getting programs developed.**

Lastly, **the committee is also looking for a new chair** to take the reins. If you know that may be interested, please contact Daniel Arellano or Darrell Alley.

10th ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM

ICU: It's All About Resilience

Children's Hospital of San Antonio
TEXAS CHAPTER OF SOCIETY OF CRITICAL CARE

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

GREG S. MARTIN, MD, MSc, FCCM

Society of Critical Care Medicine President

SAVE THE DATE | OCTOBER 8th and 9th | SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Day 1 SESSIONS

Disaster Management and Resilience

COVID, Post-COVID Syndromes and
Therapy Updates

Women in Medicine

Critical Care Potpourri Session

Day 2 SESSIONS

Learners in the ICU

"Choosing Wisely" for Critical Care
Takes Grit

Death and Dying in the ICU

Multidisciplinary CME credits will be awarded

Multidisciplinary program content and speaker panels with clinicians from across Texas



Please visit the SCCM Texas Chapter website for more details on the schedule of events, registration, and hotel information for the 10th Annual Symposium on Friday, October 8 and Saturday, October 9, 2021



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