

AACC Southeast Section Annual Report 2009

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AACC Southeast Section – 2009 Activities

April, 2009

The Southeast Section of AACC spring meeting included sponsoring a dinner meeting prior to the national AACC infectious diseases meeting, which was held at the Omni Hotel in Atlanta. Approximately 40 people attended and heard Dr. Corrine Fantz from Emory University in Atlanta give an excellent talk on *“Defining and Reporting Critical Laboratory Values”* as well as enjoyed a wonderful dinner. We also held an important business meeting beforehand that was attended by 13 members. At this meeting several key decisions were agreed on, including resurrecting the Gadsden Award and creating the Chris Frings and Gerald Cooper travel awards.

July, 2009

At the 2009 AACC Annual Meeting, we held a joint mixer on Wednesday afternoon with the North Carolina and Texas Sections, which gave us a chance to socialize and to meet face-to-face about plans for the fall tri-section POCT meeting in New Orleans. It was attended by about 25 people.

November, 2009

The Southeast Section of AACC in cooperation with the North Carolina and Texas Sections held a joint Tri-Section meeting on “*Contemporary Clinical & Regulatory Issues in Point of Care Testing*” at the newly renovated Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans from November 5-7. This meeting was well attended with 156 registrants from all over the USA and a few international attendees as well. We attracted 18 vendors that had exhibit booths and supported the meeting. There were 12 outstanding speakers that spoke to a full house each day. Thursday evening our keynote speaker Dr. James Nichols spoke about “The Future of Point of Care Testing” and Peggy Mann spoke about “Point of Care Coordinator Mentoring and Point of Care specialist Certificate Program”. Friday contemporary issues in POCT were covered including “POCT in Glycemic Control and Anticoagulation” (Dr. Paula Santrach), “Point of Care Reproductive Testing” (Dr. David Grenache), “Critical Care/Blood Gas Analysis” (Dr. Anthony Okodudu), “Rapid HIV Testing” (Dr. Sheldon Campbell), which included a group sing-along, and finally “Cardiac Markers – Perspectives of a Clinical Laboratorian and Emergency Dept Physician” (Drs. Fred Apple and Alan Storrow). Saturday POCT regulatory issues were covered by speakers from CLIA (Ann Snyder), CAP (Becky Damiani) and the Joint Commission (Cherie Ulaskas). The reception Thursday night was also well attended and held in the same room as the vendor exhibits which was well received by the vendors. A business meeting attended by 10 members was held after the last speaker presented on Friday.

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