

CRITICAL AND POINT-OF-CARE-TESTING DIVISION NEWSLETTER

Greetings CPOCT Division Members!

It's hard to believe but the Annual Meeting and Clinical Laboratory Expo in Chicago is almost here! Where has the time gone!

First, I'd like to congratulate the following AACC award winners:

- **2018 POCC of the Year** | [More](#)
Christiane Nooney, Duke University Health Care, Durham, NC
- **Outstanding Contributions to POCT** | [More](#)
Jeff DuBois, PhD, Nova Biomedical
- **2018 Best Abstract Award** | [More](#)
Title: Comparison of the time required for manual and semi-automated Urinalysis and Pregnancy testing with associated EMR manual entry errors.
- **2018 Penny Jones Travel Award** | [More](#)
JoAnn Crain, MS, CLS, UMass Memorial Medical Center, Worcester, MA



All award winners will be announced and recognized during the CPOCT Business Meeting and Mixer, Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at the Regency Ballroom A/B (Level 2), Hyatt Regency McCormick Place, 2233 S. Martin Luther King Drive, in Chicago.

I look forward to seeing many of you there!

In the past few months, I've been involved in a number of planning committees and we have some great programs coming up for POCCs including...

- **The 16th Annual POCC Forum** | [More](#)
THE CHALLENGES OF POINT-OF-CARE STANDARDIZATION IN A HEALTH SYSTEM
Thursday, August 2, 2018 | Chicago, IL
- **AfterGlow 2018** | [More](#)
THE POCC SOCIAL OF THE YEAR
Tuesday, July 31, 2018 | Regency Ballroom A/B (Level 2), Hyatt Regency McCormick Place
- **POCC Sessions and Brown Bags** | [More](#)
Check out some of the great events for POCCs at the AACC Annual Meeting

Two other 'Save the Date' events coming up that you won't want to miss are...

- **27th AACC International CPOCT Symposium** | [More](#)
THE ROLE OF POINT-OF-CARE TESTING IN A VALUE-BASED HEALTHCARE LANDSCAPE
September 26-29, Washington, DC
- **Point of Care Testing Boot Camp** | [More](#)
COMMUNICATING, CONNECTING AND COLLABORATING
November 1, Portland, OR

Each of these items are detailed on the following pages so check them out and make plans to attend.

Until then, if you have any questions or comments on the CPOCT Division, don't hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,
Kerstin Halverson, BA, MS
CPOCT Division Chair
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2018 POINT OF CARE COORDINATOR OF THE YEAR

CHRISTIANE 'CHRIS' NOONEY, MBA/MHA, MT(AMT)
DUH POC SUPERVISOR, DUKE HOSPITAL, DUKEHEALTH, DURHAM, NC

Chris Nooney received her AAS in Medical Laboratory Technology from the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Jackson County Campus, she received her BS in Health Occupations Teacher Education from North Carolina State University, and her MBA/MHA from Pfeiffer University.



Chris has a long career working in various areas of the clinical laboratory from phlebotomist to Supervisor. Currently she is the Point of Care Testing Supervisor for Duke Hospital, Duke Health. She is also an active member of the North Carolina POC Network and is a Member-at-Large for the AACC Critical and Point of Care Testing Division.

For more, [visit the POCC of the Year Award page.](#)

2018 OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO POCT

JEFF DUBOIS, PHD, MBA, MS

VP MEDICAL & SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS, NOVA BIOMEDICAL, WALTHAM, MA

At Nova Biomedical, Jeff directs a team of 5 doctoral level Medical & Scientific Affairs Directors who are responsible for global clinical evaluations with >150 collaborators.



He also chaired the AACC CPOCT Division in 2011.

For more, visit the [Outstanding Contributions to POCT page.](#)

2018 BEST ANNUAL MEETING ABSTRACT AWARD

JOHN R. PETERSEN, PHD, NRCC, FAAC

PEGGY MANN, MS, MT(ASCP)

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL BRANCH, GALVESTON, TX

Dr. Peterson and Ms. Mann received this award for their abstract titled, 'Comparison of the time required for manual and semi-automated Urinalysis and Pregnancy testing with associated EMR manual entry errors.'



John Petersen, PhD,
NRCC, FAAC



Peggy Mann,
M.S., MT(ASCP)

For more, [visit the Best Abstracts Award page.](#)

2018 PENNY JONES TRAVEL AWARD

JOANN CRAIN, MS, CLS

UMASS MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, WORCESTER, MA

JoAnn Crain is the manager of Point of Care Testing at UMASS Memorial Medical center and is the first recipient of the Penny Jones Travel Award. This award is intended to support the attendance of a non-doctoral level CPOCT Division member at the AACC Annual Scientific Meeting & Clinical Lab Expo. Recipients must demonstrate a financial need and applications will be evaluated by the CPOCT Awards Committee.

For more, [visit the Penny Jones Education Travel Awards page.](#)

16TH ANNUAL POCC FORUM

THE CHALLENGES OF POINT-OF-CARE STANDARDIZATION IN A HEALTH SYSTEM

August 2, 2018 | 7:30–10:00am | McCormick Place | Chicago, IL USA

The need for standardized Point of Care Testing across a growing healthcare system is a challenge that more and more of us face with each passing year. At the 16th Annual POCC Forum, together, our speakers will present a holistic picture of standardization from many aspects of the process.

The four areas of focus for the presentations will be:

- Regulatory challenges and system inspections;
- Challenges of standardizing policies and procedures, education, training, and competency assessment across a large and growing system;
- Contracting and leveraging the increased purchasing power that comes with system growth.

Speakers/Presenters

- Jean Ball, Laboratory Accreditation Program Inspection Services Team Lead CAP
- Brenda Suh-Lailam, Assistant Director, Clinical Chemistry, Mass Spectrometry Lab, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's, Chicago
- Lou Ann Wyer, Director, Laboratory Services, Sentara Healthcare, Norfolk, VA
- Lilah Evans, Point of Care Testing Coordinator, Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Philadelphia PA

Following the presentations, our panel will answer questions from the audience, and share their pitfalls, successes, and lessons learned.

[Register today on the AACC website.](#)

AFTERGLOW 2018

July 31, 2018 8:00 PM - 11:00 PM | Hyatt Regency McCormick Place, Chicago, IL

On the heels of 10-plus years of successful events, the AACC CPOCT Division is once again hosting AfterGlow, an event made possible by point-of-care (POC) vendors, that will begin immediately following the CPOCT Division Meeting and Mixer.



Please join your fellow CPOCT Division members and friends for this evening of fun activities, music, and dancing. The 2018 AfterGlow theme is “Baseball,” so plan to wear your favorite team’s jersey, t-shirt, sweatshirt, and/or baseball cap. The event will also include food and a cash bar.

Space is limited for AfterGlow, so please [register by July 1, 2018](#).

27TH INTERNATIONAL CPOCT SYMPOSIUM

THE ROLE OF POCT IN A VALUE-BASED LANDSCAPE

The 27th International CPOCT Symposium: The Role of Point-of-Care Testing in a Value-Based Healthcare Landscape will take place on **September 26 – 29, 2018** at the Renaissance DC Downtown Hotel, Washington, DC. The 2018 Symposium will focus on the current and future role of point-of-care testing in a healthcare environment with a focus on value and quality of care. Session topics will include public health and disease prevention, diagnosis and monitoring disease for the critically ill, at-home patient self-management, direct-to-consumer testing, and new/emerging technologies.

Organizing Committee:

- Leslie Donato, PhD, Mayo Clinic (Chair)
- T. Scott Isbell, PhD, St. Louis University School of Medicine
- Karen Jenkins, BS, MT(ASCP) Emory University Hospital Midtown
- Brad Karon, MD, PhD, Mayo Clinic
- Nichole Korpi-Steiner, PhD, University of North Carolina
- Rob Nerenz, PhD, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center,
- Brenda Suh-Lailam, PhD, Lurie Children’s Hospital

11.0 ACCENT® and 11.0 CME credit hours will also be available. ACCENT® credit is accepted in all states where documentation for continuing education is required, including the following states: California, Florida, Louisiana, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Tennessee, and West Virginia. Please [visit the conference website](#) for updates.

TOPIC TRACKS AND SESSIONS

POINT-OF-CARE TESTING AT AACC 2018

POCT TOPIC	SESSION #	DAY/DATE	TICKET
Rise and Shine! The Essential Elements of a Point-of-Care Testing Boot Camp—Part 1	191003	Sunday, July 29, 2018	Yes
Afternoon Reveille! Continuing the Essential Elements of a Point-of-Care Testing Boot Camp—Part Two	192009	Sunday, July 29, 2018	Yes
Blood Gas Testing: Basics and Beyond	192012	Sunday, July 29, 2018	Yes
Challenges of Implementing Rapid HIV Testing into an HIV Testing Algorithm	32104	Monday, July 30, 2018	No
Enhancing Patient Care Using POCT: Tackling Current and Future Challenges	32418	Monday, July 30, 2018	No
Guidance for Evaluating the Hypoxemic Patient in the Critical Care Setting	33122	Tuesday, July 30, 2018	No
Emergency Department Workflows: Data-Driven Approaches to Common Questions	43106/53206	Tuesday, July 30, 2018	Yes
There's No Place Like Home: Exploring Hospital at Home Care Strategies	43108/53208	Tuesday, July 30, 2018	Yes
Innovations in Body Fluid Testing	34216	Wednesday, July 30, 2018	No

More details can be found on the [AACC 2018 Conference Program](#).

POINT-OF-CARE TESTING BOOT CAMP AND BEYOND: COMMUNICATING, CONNECTING AND COLLABORATING 2018

November 1, 2018 | 8:00 AM - 05:00 PM | Portland, OR

Demand continues to grow for rapid diagnostics (point-of-care testing) making it necessary for more healthcare professionals to be trained, and to able to train others, in point-of-care testing (POCT). This event focuses on skills and tools to successfully communicate, connect, and collaborate with POCT staff and management successfully in any patient care setting.

Whether you are new to POCT or a POCT veteran, attendees will gain new insights and skills at this highly interactive and engaging event. The faculty will consist of experts who have tackled and overcome the unique challenges and requirements of POCT in their own professional careers.

6.0 ACCENT Credits and several interactive group activities are featured in this program intended to arm attendees with greater confidence and skills to collaborate and resolve POCT-related issues with their healthcare colleagues.

Space is limited so [register today](#).

ARE YOU PART OF THE AACC ARTERY?

The AACC Artery is the newest communication offering for AACC members. Forums on AACC Artery offer collaborative spaces for AACC members to ask questions, share knowledge, and refine ideas by connecting with their peers. The AACC Artery is a private online community of laboratory medicine professionals accessible only to AACC members. In AACC Artery, you can:

- Discuss scientific practice and research issues with like-minded professionals in AACC's scientific divisions.
- Communicate with other members of AACC Local Sections and continue conversations between meetings.
- Search the Member Directory to find members in your area or members with similar interests.

[Visit the AACC Artery](#) today!

AACC 'EXPRESS MEMBERSHIP' LEVEL INCLUDES AACC ARTERY!

The AACC has created a newly-designed membership category that will meet the needs expressed by the point of care community. The new membership category will be called Express Membership: it will cost \$65 a year, and benefits of this membership will include access to the new community portal, AACC Artery.

AACC Artery has an established and highly engaged point of care forum, to which many of you are presently contributing, and that represents a big step-up in the game of networking and knowledge sharing. Those of you contributing to the AACC Artery have already expressed your endorsement and preference for the additional kinds of interactions you can have within the Artery.

So tell your colleagues about this new opportunity and visit <https://artery.aacc.org/home> for more on the AACC Artery!

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