Healthcare Technology Foundation News

Foundation Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Board of the Foundation will take place in Chicago preceding the HIMMS meeting and ACCE Symposium. The annual meeting is an important opportunity for the Foundation to assess its progress, plan for the future, and elect new officers and Board members. Although the Foundation is a separate entity, it remains aligned with ACCE with respect to interests and programs and ACCE President Jennifer Jackson serves on the Foundation Board. Input from and direct participation by ACCE members is always welcome.

Board Membership

As with all volunteer organizations, the success of the Foundation depends on the service of dedicated and productive individuals. The possible appearance of cliquishness as names reappear in various roles across multiple organizations is actually a result of the relatively few names that people can think of when asked “who can we ask to do…?” Volunteering to serve on the Board or one of its committees is an excellent way to become one of the recognized “doers” and future leaders. Short of volunteering yourself, suggestions are always welcome.

Patient Safety Brochures

Two patient safety brochures from the Foundation, “Fire Safety & Oxygen: A Patient Guide” and “Can I bring my own medical device with me to the hospitals?” are available from our website as free tri-foldable downloads in both English and Spanish. Limited numbers of printed copies remain available, as is co-branding of the brochures with prior permission. Please remember this resources if these issues come up in your hospital, or be proactive and bring them to the attention of appropriate personnel. Suggestions for additional brochure topics are welcome, especially if you want to help write one!

The Foundation PSO

The Foundation has re-registered as a Patient Safety Organization using the Final Rule form from AHRQ. We continue to develop our PSO plans and welcome new team members in fulfilling this role of the Foundation..

Awards

Two awards are administered by the Foundation: the Marvin Shepherd Patient Safety Award (co-administered by ACCE) and the Excellence in Clinical Engineering Leadership (ExCEL) award. Further information on these prestigious awards can be found at the Foundation website: http://www.accefoundation.org/.
Donations to the Foundation

Whether you are a year start or year end donor, remember the Foundation in your personal and corporate giving. And also remember that “in honor/recognition of…” donations are welcome. All donations are tax deductible.

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