Healthcare Technology Foundation News

New Board Members to be Announced

The annual meeting of the Board of the Foundation will take place in Chicago preceding the HIMMS meeting and ACCE Symposium. The earlier call to the ACCE membership to recommend new board members or to volunteer to be board member achieved a strong response and the Foundation thanks everyone who responded you their ongoing interest. In addition to members from the clinical engineering community we anticipate having new board members this year from the FDA, and from the insurance and medical device industries. These new board members will be announced after their formal election at the annual meeting.

Additional Volunteer Opportunities

Besides serving as a board member, the Foundation always needs additional interested and dedicated people to work on its programs. In Foundation parlance these people have become known as the “doers” and they are essential. We continue to work on the issue of improving clinical alarm processes, and on the next patient safety brochures. We also have initiatives in other areas of broad interest to clinical engineering and healthcare delivery. We are always interested in hearing from people who want to join our efforts.

Donations to the Foundation

Tax season is good time to think about donations. Do you need more deductions? Remember the Foundation. Do you donate regardless of the federal subsidy? Remember the Foundation. Also remember that “in honor/recognition of…” donations are always welcome and they will be recognized with a suitable communication to the honoree. Such donations have a very low carbon footprint compared to other alternatives.

Certification

Certification in Clinical Engineering continues to a program of the Foundation, although all of the intellectual work of certification is handled by the Healthcare Technology Certification Commission and the US Board of Examiners for Clinical Engineering Certification. All of the personnel associated with the Commission and the US Board are volunteers. Thank them for their service when you get the chance. http://www.acce-htf.org/certification.asp

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