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2021 State of the State Report

TOP ACCOMPLISHMENTS

FIT Leadership Series: With the goal of increasing fellow-in-training engagement and retention, Ohio-ACC launched an innovative educational experience for first-year fellows, the FIT Leadership Series. The series covered important topics for FITs that are not traditionally covered within fellowship training, such as considerations for the job search post-training (academics vs private practice, job contracts), financial planning, the path to FACC, specific requirements required by the ACC during fellowship training, and prerequisites for board exams. We had excellent participation, with participants from across Ohio and other states, and outstanding feedback from participants. The series featured early career faculty from across the state with input from Program Directors. The content was captured and turned into enduring education for our website and will be continued annually. This will ensure increased engagement with the Ohio-ACC among fellows, early career faculty, and program directors while advancing actionable knowledge for our fellows.

Transition to Virtual Meetings: Given the pandemic-related challenges to hold live meetings, Ohio-ACC successfully transitioned to virtual meetings, which were able to retain member engagement successfully including participation from fellows in training, CV Team members, and support from industry. The Spring Summit in April 2021 and the Annual Meeting in October 2021 were both conducted on an innovative virtual platform that allowed engagement with faculty from participants, networking and social features (408 discussion messages), breakout sessions for fellows and CVT members, and virtual exhibits from vendors who provided financial support for the meeting. Both meetings had high participation (Spring Summit = 206, Annual Meeting = 215), turned a profit and had outstanding feedback ratings from participants.

INCREASE RELEVANCE AS THE CV PROFESSIONAL HOME

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Launched the **Ohio-ACC Women in Cardiology Shine the Spotlight Campaign**. This initiative showcases Ohio-ACC female cardiologists on www.ohioacc.org to offer networking, mentoring, and research and clinical opportunities. We hope that this campaign will also highlight a cardiology career to our talent pipeline.
- Successful Virtual FIT, Resident, and CV Team ePoster Showcase, which included poster presentation video recordings and poster pdf's. These become part of our enduring education on www.ohioacc.org.
- Continued FIT/resident/CV Team case of the month initiative to spotlight cases and research presented by fellows, residents, and CV team members to increase member engagement.
- Increased number of poster judges for our virtual annual meeting, which engages our early career members.
- Active CV Team Council.

OPPORTUNITIES

- Continue to develop innovative content for all facets of our membership and garner engagement. Maximize CV team membership as the dues transition from voluntary to mandatory.

GENERATE AND DELIVER ACTIONABLE KNOWLEDGE

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Rolled out a unique webinar for CV team members entitled *How to Write a Case Report, Put Together a Research Presentation & Create a Poster*. Also held CV team webinars on *Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension: The Diagnosis You Don't Want to Miss* and *Improving the Outlook for Heart Failure: Incorporating New Agents and New Guidance*.
- Provided webinars for members on 1) *Managing Elevated LDL-C: New Guidelines and New Agents* and 2) *Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension and Post-Capillary Pulmonary Hypertension Related to Left Heart Disease*.
- Continue to engage our pharmacists through a special work group that provides pharmacy updates for our e-newsletter and updates for members on prior authorization for specific drugs.
- Promoted our grand rounds hub for faculty to highlight their area of interest as a grand round speaker

around the state.
- Delivered a successful Virtual Spring Summit and Virtual Annual Meeting with 200+ participants, an ePoster Showcase, and virtual exhibits. The content was captured and turned into enduring education for our website.
- Developed another top-notch FIT Bootcamp engaging 116 FITs from across the state and the world with early career faculty. The content resides on our website as enduring education.

OPPORTUNITIES

- Need to increase content for early career members.

ADVANCE QUALITY, EQUITY, AND VALUE OF CV CARE

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Held a virtual Advocacy Forum in the Spring. We collaborated with the OSMA and the AHA to discuss top legislative issues and held targeted virtual legislative appointments.
- Successful participation in the ACC Virtual Legislative Conference with 19 Ohio-ACC participants and 9 meetings with legislators.
- Our advocacy work group weighed in on a number of state legislative issues, including telehealth, COVID vaccination policy, healthy beverage policy, copay accumulators, and more.
- Mindful of diversity and inclusion for our board elections and volunteer opportunities.

OPPORTUNITIES

- Increased advocacy engagement among members.

ENSURE ORGANIZATIONAL GROWTH AND SUSTAINABILITY

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Participated in the Regional WIC She Looks Like a Cardiologist: Developing Pathways for High School Girls to Pursue a Career in Cardiology. This program was intended to inspire female junior and senior high school students with an interest in science, research, or medicine to consider the exciting field of Cardiology.
- Developed an EP task force to engage EP subspecialists within Ohio-ACC and held its first meeting.
- Continued active FIT Council representation from programs across the state.

OPPORTUNITIES

- Create new volunteer opportunities for non-board members to increase chapter engagement.
- Continue to strive for a state chapter that reflects the gender/social/ethnic diversity of our patient population.