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Disaster Medicine Section Annual Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Philadelphia Convention Center



THESE MINUTES ARE PENDING APPROVAL BY THE DISASTER MEDICINE SECTION AT THE 2024 MEETING. ANY CHANGES WILL APPEAR IN THE MINUTES OF THAT MEETING.



AMERICAN COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS
Section of Disaster Medicine
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AGENDA

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| I. Call to Order, Agenda Review | Dr. Eric Goralnick (1100-1105) |
| II. Introductions | Dr. Eric Goralnick (1105-1110) |
| III. Presentation of Disaster Medical Sciences Award | Dr. Eric Goralnick (1110-1115) |
| IV. AT&T Presentation | AT&T (1115-1130) |
| V. Board Liaison Remarks | Dr. Gabor Kelen (1130-1135) |
| VI. 2022/2023 Initiatives | |
| A. EMS/Disaster 21 st Century Workgroup | |
| B. Disaster Mentorship Program | |
| B. Disaster Lecture Series | |
| D. Newsletter/Website Report | |
| VII. Disaster Committee Report | Dr. Angela Cornelius (1215-1220) |
| VII. Council Report | TBA (1220-1225) |
| VIII. Liaison Reports | |
| A. ASPR | Dr. Rick Hunt (1225-1230) |
| IX. Transfer of Leadership | Dr. Eric Goralnick (1240-1245) |
| X. New Business | Dr. James Phillips (1245-1300) |
| A. New Chair Welcome Message/Introduction | |
| B. ACEP Disaster Medicine Agenda 2023-2024 | |
| C. Election Results | |
| D. Other new business | |
| XI. Adjourn | |

Dr. James Phillip



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Attendance: 58 section members/guests, 1 staff liaison, 1 board liaison, 3 AT&T Sponsor Personnel

Meeting Minute Notes:

- 1100: The meeting was called to order by Dr. Eric Goralnick. Introductions of those in attendance were performed.
- 1108: Insert language regarding task from the reimaged group.
- 1112: Dr. Eric Goralnick presented the Disaster Medical Sciences Award to the 2023 recipient, Dr. Marc Rosenthal. At the conclusion of the award, photos were taken, and the opportunity to present a few works was given to Dr. Rosenthal.
- 1120: The Disaster Medicine Section sponsor, AT&T, along with First Net, provided a presentation on the latest news with First Net within Disasters.
- 1139: The section meeting was open to the floor to answer any questions those in attendance may have about the EMS/Disaster Workgroup, along with any general questions. A conversation occurred regarding the need for more education focused on disaster medicine presented at ACEP's annual meeting. Feedback from many members on the floor is that they are unaware of the process of submitting any presentations and have trouble locating the information on the website. At this time, Dr. Ira Nemeth provided a little insight into the Disaster Section regarding education presentations at ACEP's annual meeting, including the ACEP24 deadline. ACEP staff liaison George Solomon located the ACEP24 education submission link and provided it to the disaster section via the online community platform.
- 1225: Dr. Eric Goralnick presented to the section of the Disaster Mentor Program. An informational sheet was made available online before the meeting, and copies were made available for distribution during the meeting. The call for both mentors and mentees was made to the Disaster Section, and if interested in either role, to send an email.
- 1232: An information update was provided regarding the Disaster Lecture series. Conversations were held with questions regarding ACEP to support awarding CE.
- 1236: Dr. Angela Cornelius provided a Disaster Committee update to discuss some of the key objectives for the 2024 year. (Objectives can be found on the ACEP Disaster Committee Website)
- 1240: Dr. Richard Hunt provided an update about various initiatives with ASPR.
- 1245: Dr. Eric Goralnick transferred leadership of the Disaster Medicine Section to Dr. James Phillips for 2023-2025. An award was presented to Dr. Goralnick for his dedicated commitment and leadership to the disaster section during the previous two years.
- 1247: Dr. James Phillips supplied the section with an introduction speech and welcoming to the Disaster Section. Dr. Phillips further discussed some of the key initiatives, in addition to the ones noted above, that he would like the Disaster Section to focus on, including Education, Defining Disaster Medicine, and bringing greater transparency to the section.
- 1255: Dr. James Phillips announced the election results of the 2023 Disaster Medicine Section.
- 1300: Dr. James Phillips adjourned the meeting.

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Disaster Medicine Mentorship Program Charter

Purpose:

The purpose of the Disaster Medicine Mentorship Program is to provide mentorship opportunities for disaster medicine physicians at all stages of their careers, from medical students to senior faculty, to facilitate professional development, knowledge sharing, and growth of the next generation of leaders in the field.

Goals:

- Provide mentorship to disaster medicine physicians to support their ongoing education, skill development, research initiatives, and career advancement.
- Create opportunities for networking, collaboration, and leadership development.
- Share insights and perspectives to help mentees successfully navigate their careers.
- Cultivate future leaders and educators in disaster medicine.
- Develop an online mentor/mentee matching system to connect participants based on interests, experience levels, and goals.
- Maintain an active roster of mentors willing to provide career guidance, collaborate on research, offer publication advice, and more.
- Enable short-term and long-term mentorship relationships as desired.

Membership:

- The Disaster Medicine Mentorship Program is open to all disaster medicine physicians who are members of the American College of Emergency Medicine, including but not limited to:
 - Medical students interested in disaster medicine.
 - Emergency medicine residents pursuing disaster medicine electives/fellowships.
 - Disaster medicine fellows and junior faculty seeking early career advice.
 - Mid-career and senior faculty focused on disaster response and/or research.
 - Physicians transitioning to retirement who want to share their knowledge.

Mentor/Mentee Matching Process:

- Mentors complete an online form indicating their background, interests, and capabilities to guide mentees.
- Mentees submit requests explaining their needs and desired duration of mentorship.
- Mentor roster is reviewed monthly to identify potential matches.
- Matches made based on alignment of mentor expertise and mentee goals.
- Public call for additional mentors if gaps exist between mentee needs and current mentorship capacity.
 - If an appropriate mentor match is not readily identified, an advertisement can be placed in the Disaster Section newsletter at the requesting party's discretion to aid in finding a mentor aligned with the mentee's needs.

Activities:

In addition to customized mentor-mentee partnerships, programming will also include:

- Networking events at conferences to connect participants.
- Pathways for mentees to gain teaching and leadership experience.
- Career coaching and CV/research review by mentors.
- Online forum for ongoing conversations and advice.
- Providing recognition to exemplary mentors, mentees, and mentor/mentee partnerships that demonstrate exceptional commitment to achieving the program's goals of facilitating professional development, knowledge sharing, and cultivating future leaders in disaster medicine. Recognition may include awards, feature profiles in Disaster Section communications, or other methods to highlight their dedication and positive impacts.

Governance:

The Disaster Medicine Mentorship Program will be overseen by a Mentorship Advisory Committee made up of 5-7 members who will provide strategic direction and support operational management. Committee members will be appointed to 2-year terms. The committee will meet monthly to update the roster, to match new requests, and to discuss operational objectives.

Evaluation:

The program will be evaluated annually through surveys and interviews to assess effectiveness and identify areas for improvement. Metrics will include program satisfaction, mentor-mentee engagement, and qualitative impacts on professional development.