



**American College of Emergency Physicians
Forensic Medicine Section Meeting
Scientific Assembly 2015
Monday, October 26, 2015
11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Westin Waterfront – Hale Room
Boston, MA**

MINUTES

Members in Attendance

Ralph J Riviello, MD, MS, FACEP, FAAEM; Chamé C Blackburn, MD, FACEP; Juan Francisco Fitz, MD, FACEP; Lawrence J R Goldhahn, FACEP, MD, FACEP; Sally S Henin, MD, FACEP; Jacqueline Johnsen, DO; Jennifer Kimbrell, MD; Judith Linden, MD; Wendy Macias Konstantopoulos, MD, MPH; Andres Mendez, MD; Tony Rosen, MD; Heather V Rozzi, MD, FACEP; Lucy Shieffelbien; Tracey Smith, MD; Makini Chisolm Straker, MD; Todd G Thoma, MD, FACEP; Grace Ting, MD; Michael L Weaver, MD, FACEP; Dale Woolridge, MD, PhD

Debra Perina, MD, FACEP; Board Liaison
Cynthia Singh, MS; Staff Liaison

Agenda

- A. Welcome and Introductions – Heather Rozzi, MD, FACEP
- B. Review and Approval of Minutes – Heather Rozzi, MD, FACEP
- C. Presentation: Human Trafficking - Wendy Macias Konstantopoulos, MD
- D. Presentation: Telemedicine - Joan Meunier-Sham, RN, MS
- E. Human Trafficking Collaboration – Ralph Riviello, MD, MS, FACEP
- F. National Projects Update - Ralph Riviello, MD, MS, FACEP
- G. Section Grants Update – Heather Rozzi, MD, FACEP
- H. Council Update – Lawrence Goldhahn, MD, FACEP
- I. ACEP16 Session Proposals – Heather Rozzi, MD, FACEP

Dr. Heather Rozzi welcomed everyone to the meeting. The meeting attendees introduced themselves.

The 2014 Forensic Section Meeting Minutes were approved.

Ms. Meunier-Sham provided a presentation titled The National Telenursing Center: From Development to Implementation. This project was funded by a NIJ/OVC/OVW grant and was focused on improving sexual assault evidence collection, chain of custody and supporting advocacy efforts.

Dr. Riviello reported on a variety of activities:

1. Human Trafficking Collaboration
 - Presented Work Being Done, Including Raise Awareness of the Issue
 - Submitted A Proposal For Two-Hour ACEP16 CME Course
 - Reviewing An Informational Paper On Human Trafficking - Board Currently Reviewing
2. National Pediatric Protocol
 - In Process
 - Dr. Riviello And Joan Meunier-Sham Working On Project
3. OVC – Sane Operational Guide
 - Dr. Riviello On Advisory Board
 - ACEP Logo Will Be On Document
 - Interactive Website
 - In Process Of Review
4. Visual Journal of Emergency Medicine
 - Dr. Riviello is Associate Editor of this Peer Reviewed Journal
 - CME Credit
 - Encouraged to Submit Articles

Dr. Wendy Macias Konstantopoulos gave a presentation on Human Trafficking and the Role of Emergency Medicine. Facts included:

- Labor Trafficking Is The Most Prevalent Type
- Case Studies On Faces Of Human Trafficking
- 63% of Survivors Sought Care In Ed
- Provider Barriers To Care Of These Patients In The ED include,
 - Lack Of Education For Health Professionals On Human Trafficking
 - Lack Of Reliable Data
 - Lack Of Policies And Protocols
 - Competing Issues/Resources

Dr. Goldhahn provided a Council Update, which included issues such as powered alcohol and marijuana legalization.