



Forensic Medicine Section-ACEP 2022 Meeting Minutes

Friday, October 1, 2022, 1-3pm PST

Attendance: Dr. Henin, Dr Pitzele, Dr. Linden, Dr. Jim d 'Etienne, Dr. Rozzi, Dr. Riviello, Dr. Jodi Wieters, Dr. Scott Wieters, Dr. Sampsel, Dr. Finnell

- **1:08PM:** Welcome – Dr. Sally Henin, Section Chair
- **1:10PM:** Review and Approval of ACEP 21 Minutes –Dr. Sally Henin
- **1:15PM:** Dr. Henin announced Section leadership election results
 - Dr. Judy Linden- Chair
 - Dr. Monika Pitzele-Vice Chair
 - Dr. Heather Rozzi-Newsletter/Secretary
 - Dr. Jessica Hobbs-Councillor
- **1:16PM-** Dr. Riviello provided the Section Grant update. The Domestic Violence handbook has been compiled and edited. The handbook has been sent to ACEP to format. Section Liaison Mari Houlihan has been in communication with ACEP's education department to finalize the handbook layout.
- **1:20PM:** Dr. Pitzele provided an update on the Council meeting
- Resolutions introduced in 2022:
 - Resolution 53: Law Enforcement and Intoxicated Patients in the ED. There are 2 parts of this resolution. The first part suggested investigation of alternative models of evaluation of patients in police custody (such as telehealth). The second part encouraged law enforcement to remain with patients who are altered/intoxicated/agitated until the physician determines that their assistance is no longer needed. This resolution was amended and referred to the board.
 - Resolution 41: Addressing Stigma in the ED. ACEP would develop educational resources, including diversity, gender, SUD, homelessness-adopted with amendments
 - Resolution 31: Decriminalization of All Illicit Drugs. This resolution suggested that ACEP should endorse and support the decriminalization and personal possession and use of small amounts of all illicit drugs, making it a civil penalty with referral to treatment – not adopted

- Resolution 51: Implementation of Social Determinants of Health Screening in the ED-adopted

Update on resolutions from 2021:

- Resolution 32: Firearm Ban in EDs excluding Active-Duty Law Enforcement (amended)—assigned to the Public Health and Injury Prevention Committee to consider all types of security arrangements for emergency departments and develop policy statement
 - Resolution 33: Formation of a National Bureau for Firearm Injury Prevention – assigned to Advocacy and Practice Affairs staff for federal advocacy initiatives
 - Resolution 51: Medical Bill of Rights for Detained and Incarcerated Persons While Receiving Emergency Medical Care. In 2021 it was referred to the board of directors. It was expanded to include other vulnerable groups; the Ethics committee will develop a medical bill of rights for all ED patients that includes rights for vulnerable patient groups and detained or incarcerated persons.
 - Resolution 52: Standardization of Medical Screening Exams of Arrested Persons Brought to the ED—in the committees with a goal of developing a policy statement and Policy Resource and Education Paper.
 - Resolution 54: Understanding the Effects of Law Enforcement Presence in the Emergency Department—in the committees with a goal of developing a policy statement and Policy Resource and Education Paper.
- **1:33PM**-Board Liaison Dr. Finnell provided up an update to the group. He announced 82 resolutions were passed at last year's Council meeting, and 65 were reviewed this year. He announced the results of the Board election and highlighted updates to ACEP.org. Additionally, CEDR (Clinical Emergency Data Registry) is being reintroduced as EMDI (Emergency Medicine Data Institute). EMDI's goal will be to gather data on every ED interaction nationwide. Dr. Finnell also announced ACEP's new strategic plan is available on the website, and the college will be launching an app in 2023.

1:45PM: The group discussed the new Women's Health Task Force with Dr. Finnell. He explained the task force has been formed and members have been assigned. Section members expressed interest in contributing to the task force.

2:10PM: Dr. Kari Sampsell presented "How to Save a Life-Human Trafficking in the ED"

3:07PM: Meeting adjourned