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MSRC Legislative Day 2007

February 21, 2007 is the annual MSRC Legislative Day at the Missouri State Capitol in Jefferson City, Missouri. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come. Make appointments with you representatives for that morning. For more information, contact your district officers.

Missouri Sputum Bowl Teams a Success

The Professional team from Missouri (Chalaine Bell, Heather Neil, Mike McFall, and Clint Hudson) made 5th in the nation in the Sputum Bowl competition in Las Vegas during the AARC International Congress in December 2006. The student team from Missouri Southern State University (Kristi Howard, Devin Hurn, Cory Brewer, and Leona Robinson) made 8th place in the nation.



District Updates

District 1: Our elected interim District Representative is Sandy Uhlemeyer. Her contact is sandylee@msn.com or 314-576-6700 X 526. Anyone interested in becoming more involved in the MSRC is welcomed to run in the 2007 District I election for President, Vice President, District Representative and Secretary. Please contact current officers for more information or to nominate a candidate.

March 21st the district is co-sponsoring a Pulmonary Rehab Week Program with St. Luke's Hospital from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. Application made to AARC for 3 CRCEs and a lunch is included. Free to MSRC members, \$15.00 to non-members. For additional information or to register please contact Karen Lane at 314-205-6849 or karen.lane@stlukes-stl.com. Watch for information and registration form on the website.

District 2: A meeting with CEU's is currently being planned for February with a date and time to still be determined. Please check the MSRC webpage for updates.

District 3: District 3 has a call for officer nominations for 2007. If interested in nominating someone, please submit their name to MSRC election chairperson Warren DuBois. Contact info for Warren is included in the Call for Nominations section below.

District 4: District IV is meeting January 23rd, 7:00pm, at Chappell's Restaurant and Sports Museum in North Kansas City. Maridee Jones, Maridee Jones, MSN, RRT, AE-C, FAARC will be speaking on Asthma-Allergic vs Non-Allergic. Ms. Jones recently spoke at the National Convention in Vegas, and is very involved in developing the new asthma guidelines. For more information contact any of the District IV officers.

District IV is sponsoring along with Hill-Rom, two seminars the 23rd and 24th of February on Airway Clearance. The 23rd will be 6 CRCE's, and the 24th will be 4 (you will only be able to attend one of the sessions). If you have

not received a brochure or have questions, please contact Mary Lou Guy at:

mguy@saint-lukes.org .

District 5: No Report.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

It is once again time to call for nominations from the MSRC membership. The Vice President-elect, Treasurer, Alternate Delegate and a Director-at-Large office are open for nominations. Only active and life members in good standing shall be eligible for nomination. The following excerpts are from Article IV and Article V of the MSRC Bylaws. To access MSRC Bylaws go to www.msrc.pixeleffect.com.

Vice-President-elect - The Vice-President-elect shall serve as member of the Program Committee and shall assume the duties of the Vice-President in the event of the Vice-President's absence, resignation, or disability, and shall perform such other duties as shall be assigned by the President or Board of Directors.

Treasurer - The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds and securities of the Society; endorsing checks or other orders for the payment of bills; disbursing funds in accordance with the approved budget and depositing funds as the Board of Directors may designate. The Treasurer shall see that full and accurate accounts are kept; make written quarterly financial reports to the Board of Directors and a complete written yearly report of the Society for the preceding year to the Board of Directors. The term of office for the Treasurer shall be two (2) years.

Alternate Delegate - The Delegate and Alternate Delegate of the Society shall be elected in accordance with, and shall perform such duties as specified in, the AARC Bylaws at www.aarc.org and shall each serve a term of two (2) years.

Director-at-large - The Directors shall represent the members of the Society at the Board of Directors meetings.

Nominations can be directed to:

Warren J. DuBois – MSRC Election Chairperson
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 Rolla, Missouri 65401
 Phone: (573) 458-0160
 Fax: (573) 458-0164
 Email: wdubois@rolla.k12.mo.us

***Remember MSRC odd numbered districts will hold elections in 2007.*

Better Breathers Club Going Strong

Perry County Memorial Hospital in Perryville, MO celebrated Christmas with the Better Breathers' Support group December 5, 2006. The Better Breathers' Group meets Quarterly with attendance of about 20 members. Several of the members bring their spouses or loved ones along for support and to gain added information. Lori Sutterer, RRT and Renee Grim, RRT, CPFT organize the group and plan the Sponsors and Speakers for each meeting. December's meeting was sponsored by Healthcare Equipment Supply who catered the main course for the Holiday celebration. Speakers included Lori Sutterer, RRT "Dreaming Your Way to a Better Life" on the topic of sleep apnea and Leigh Flood, RRT, NPS from Hill-Rom who spoke about "The Vest".



Pictured: Lori Sutterer, RRT; Respiratory Therapist & Better Breathers at Perry County Memorial Hospital, Perryville, MO.

Asthma Educator Certification (AE-C) Offering

This Asthma Educator Certification Preparation Course is a 1 1/2-day course designed to assist respiratory therapists, nurses, pharmacists, and other health care professionals who are actively involved in asthma education and want to earn the Asthma Educator-Certified (AE-C).

The program will be held February 24 and 25 at the Dallas Marriott Solana hotel, located between Dallas and Fort Worth. It has been approved for 10.2 hours of continuing education credit (CRCE) for respiratory therapists and 10.2 hours of CE for nurses by the Illinois Nurses Association.

Links for More Information:

Program and Site -

http://www.aarc.org/education/meetings/ae-c_tx

Reasons to Earn Credential -

http://www.aarc.org/headlines/ae-c_reasons.cfm

Mini-Poster -

http://www.aarc.org/marketplace/media_kit/asthmaad.pdf

OTC Graduates Present at AARC Conference

Eleven members of the May, 2006 graduating class at Ozarks Technical Community College recently returned from giving poster presentations at the 52nd Annual International Respiratory Congress in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Congress, which was held December 11 – 14, 2006, set a record for the largest attendance figure ever recorded for an AARC annual meeting. More than 7,500 practitioners were in attendance from thirty-nine countries making this a truly international meeting.

Attendees heard Acting Surgeon General Rear Adm. Kenneth P. Moritsugu, MD, MPH share his thoughts on the nation's health care system and also had the opportunity to hear world renown individuals speak on a variety of respiratory and health care issues. The four-day Congress

offered over 235 lecture topics and 255 poster presentations.

The OTC group gave the following five poster presentations:

- Comparison of Auto-PEEP Readings and Measurements on Six Ventilators— Rachel Myers, RRT and Glenna Muse, RRT
- Leak Compensation Comparisons in Mechanical Ventilation—Joe Warren, RRT and Ryan Totten, RRT
- Pressure Support vs Automatic Tubing Compensation: Pressures Seen at the End of Endotracheal Tube in Bi-Vent/APRV Mode— David Frana, RRT, Carrienne Mankey, RRT, and Corey Paulsen, RRT
- Comparison of Static Compliance on Six Ventilators—Chris Davies, RRT and Mechelle Wilson, RRT
- Special Concerns Relating to the Administration of Aerosols— Brian Hoskins, RRT and Terry Jones, RRT

All research was performed in the respiratory care lab on the campus of Ozarks Technical Community College in Springfield, MO.

The former OTC students' work was scrutinized by two icons in the field of respiratory care, Rich Kallet and Robert Chatburn. Mr. Kallet is affiliated with the Cardiovascular Research Institute at San Francisco General Hospital and Mr. Chatburn is director of respiratory care at University Hospitals of Cleveland and associate professor of pediatrics at Case Western Reserve University. As moderators of the two-hour open forum session where nine of the OTC graduates presented, Kallet and Chatburn asked tough questions of the former students but at the same time gave them advice on preparing future research in the field of respiratory care.



OTC faculty and May, 2006 graduates at the Open Forum in Las Vegas

Front Row L to R: Mechelle Wilson, Rachel Myers, Glenna Muse, Ryan Totten, and Doug Pursley. Back Row L to R: Aaron Light, Chris Davies, David Frana, Joe Warren, and Corey Paulsen. Not Pictured: Brian Hoskins, Terry Jones, and Carrienne Mankey.



OTC graduate David Frana at the Open Forum podium in Las Vegas

Also pictured: Rich Kallet and Robert Chatburn

JCAHO NPSG & OSA

The Joint Commission currently has a field review under way for possible additions to their National Patient Safety Goals (NPSG) for 2008. One of the suggestions involves obstructive sleep apnea. Depending on the response and evaluation, OSA may become a NPSG in 2008. The details are below

Obstructive Sleep Apnea

Goal 17

Reduce the risk of post-operative complications for patients with obstructive sleep apnea.

Requirement 17A

The organization screens for obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) prior to surgical procedures involving the use of centrally-acting anesthetic and/or analgesic agents.

Rationale for Requirement 17A

OSA places patients at increased risk for post-operative respiratory complications after receiving a centrally acting anesthetic and/or analgesic agent. It is estimated that 80-90% of patients with OSA are undiagnosed. By screening patients for OSA, organizations will reduce the occurrence of peri-operative respiratory complications in at-risk patients.

Implementation Expectations for Requirement 17A

1. Anesthesia evaluation includes screening patients who may be at risk for OSA.
2. The anesthesia plan of care takes account of identified risk factors.
3. The organization develops an OSA protocol based on recommendations from identified best practices.
4. The organization's OSA protocol is applied to the anesthesia care of both known OSA patients, as well as those patients identified to be at risk by the screening process.

This potential safety goal is available for comment through January 26, 2007. To offer your feedback online go to:

http://www.jointcommission.org/AccreditationPrograms/Hospitals/Standards/FieldReview/08_hap_npsg_fr.htm

Then click "Click Here To Complete Field Review"

For questions, contact Jennifer Hoppe - Division of Standards and Survey Methods - at (630) 792-5936 or jhoppe@jcaho.org