

# Restructure of SAAC/AAPD and the Creation of AACPD SAAA and AAAC

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# History of SAAC/AAPD

- Society of Academic Anesthesiology Chairs (SAAC)... 1967 - 2008
- Association of Anesthesiology Program Directors (AAPD) ... 1986 – 2008

Very Similar organizations

# AAPD Preamble

“The principle purpose of the Association of Anesthesiology Program Directors is to provide a forum for the discussion and development of educational, financial, and administrative policies concerning graduate medical education in anesthesiology.”

# AAPD Membership (historical)

- Program Directors of anesthesiology residency programs in the US that have been approved by the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) ...
- American Board of Anesthesiology required the Program Directors to be the Chair of the Department

# SAAC Membership (historical)

- “...ordinarily limited to the administrative head of a Department or Division of Anesthesiology in an LCME-approved or provisionally approved Medical School in the US and Puerto Rico.”
- “...active member... of ASA...”

# SAAC/AAPD History

- Hence, all SAAC/AAPD members were chairs of their Anesthesiology Departments
- Others attended as guests

# Annual Meeting: topics

- Leadership development
- Resource for new chairs
- Faculty development
- Sharing innovations
- Educational improvements
- Research promotion
- Program development

# Annual Meeting: (continued)

- Administrative challenges
- Economic challenges
- Networking
- Reports/discussion from ASA, RRC, ABA, ITE, ACGME and others
- A voice in the course of national academic affairs

# Now

- ACGME prefers that the person most closely associated with running the residency program is the Program Director
- ABA no longer requires the Chair to be the Program Director
- Proliferation of subspecialty programs with varying requirements for accreditation and/or certification

# Number of Accredited Programs

- Core Residency 131
- Critical Care Medicine 47
- Pain Medicine 94
- Pediatric 45
- Adult Cardiothoracic 44

# Other Fellowship Programs

- Obstetrical Anesthesia
- Neuroanesthesia
- Regional Anesthesia
- Ambulatory
- Research
- Administrative
- others

**Restructure SAAC/AAPD**

# Theme of Resturcture:

- Keep chairs and program directors in a department working together, going in the same direction
- Working together to fulfill the core educational mission of the department

# Society of Academic Anesthesiology Associations (SAAA)

- Association of Academic Anesthesiology Chairs (AAAC)
- Association of Anesthesiology Core Program Directors (AACPD)
- Association of Anesthesiology Subspecialty Program Directors (AASPD)

# SAAA Annual Meeting

- Same flavor and format
- 1-day for separate association meetings
- 1.5 days for all associations combined

# Society of Academic Anesthesiology Associations

SAAA:  
Governing Board  
(see next slide)

AAAC

President  
Pres-Elect  
Past-Pres  
Secretary

4 council members

AACPD

President  
Pres-elect  
Past-Pres  
Secretary

4 council members

AASPD

President  
Pres-elect  
Past-pres  
Secretary

4 council members

SAAA:  
President AAAC  
Pres-elect AAAC  
Past-Pres AAAC  
Sec/Treas AAAC  
AACPD President  
AASPD President  
4 AAAC council members  
2 AACPD council members  
2 AASPD council members

AAAC  
President  
Pres-Elect  
Past-Pres  
Secretary  
4 council members

AACPD  
President  
Pres-elect  
Past-Pres  
Secretary  
4 council members

AASPD  
President  
Pres-elect  
Past-pres  
Secretary  
4 council members

# Association of Anesthesiology Core Program Directors 2008

- Form association
- Appoint members
- Nominate and elect next President and Council
- Have first council meeting
- Select representatives to SAAA (Council of Associations)
- Begin work on issues

# Registered Members:

- 79 in last three months

# Next Steps

- Questions?
- The first business meeting of AACPD (end of this session Oct 31):
  - Elect next president
  - Elect council members
  - Generate list of issues and concerns
- First Council meeting lunch Nov 1
  - Select council members to serve on SAAA
  - Begin work on issues

# Business Meeting:

Association of Anesthesiology  
Core Program Directors

# Next President and Council Election:

- Nominations from amongst membership
- Nominations according to bylaws:
  - Immediate past President of AAPD
  - President of AACPD
  - “ensure the widest possible participation amongst the states represented”

# President-Elect Nominees:

- Jane Fitch, MD
  - University of Oklahoma
- Joy Hawkins, MD
  - University of Colorado
- Ted Sanford, MD
  - University of Michigan

# Council Topics:

- Selection of secretary and SAAA reps
- Mission statement
- Interaction with SEA
- Rep to Organization of Program Director Associations (OPDA)
- ASA Nat meeting Program Director panel
- ListServ and Eblasts
- NRMP violations
- Other issues:

Other Issues or Concerns?

# Council Election:

Robert Craft	U Tennessee (Knoxville)
Stephen Kimaitan	Penn State U (Hershey)
James Kindshcer	U Kansas (Kansas City)
Catherine Kuhn (Lineberger)	Duke
Donald Mathews	NY Medical College
Mohammed Minhaj	U Chicago
Leila Mei Pang	NY Presbyterian (Columbia)
Scott Schartel	Temple
Karen Souter	U Washington (Seattle)