

## ACC Iowa Chapter Newsletter July 7, 2020

Dear Iowa ACC Chapter members,

Hope you are staying safe in the Pandemic. I would like to share a few updates from the Iowa ACC.

- **Fellow Education Lecture Series:**

We have completed 9 out of 12 weeks of a very successful Iowa ACC Fellow Education and Board Prep series. This has been very much appreciated and very well received by fellows all across the United States, along with fellows from Canada, Mexico and other countries. **We had a total of 39 talks involving 30 speakers, and I am proud to say 73% of all speakers and 77% of all talks were from Iowa.** I would like to give a quick shout out and a quick **round of applause to all our speakers**, without whose active participation, preparation and commitment to education of future generations, this lecture series would not have been possible. I would like to thank our planning committee members, specifically our **FIT Co-Chair - Shubha Deep Roy**, who was with me most Saturdays as we moderated the sessions, and played a big role in the organization, communications with the presenters, and the social media. I would like to thank **Nancy Adams, our Chapter Executive** for all the organization behind the scenes, along with **Kurt Bjorkman, our FIT Co-Chair** for assisting with the Adult Congenital part of the lecture series.

As a testament to our success, we have been approached by ACC Early Career Council to host the Interventional Cardiology Lecture Series. We plan to host the Interventional Cardiology Board Prep with nationally renowned speakers virtually in August. Please watch out for more details.

- **WIC Council:**

In addition to all the wonderful things about the lectures, we are excited to start the Iowa ACC Women in Cardiology (WIC) Council, to be chaired by **Dr. Rafat Padaria**. We are **looking for additional members**, to engage the community in a virtual manner. More details will be coming soon. Please respond with your interest.

- **Call for Council Members:**

As you are all probably aware, we have added **two new Council members - Dr. Ketan Korrane** from Mason City, who serves as their Program Director and **Dr. Troy Rhodes from University of Iowa, Iowa City**. We are looking for additional Council members. This will be an excellent opportunity for you to be involved with Iowa ACC and also open opportunities to be involved with ACC Nationally. **Please respond with your interest to me and Nancy along with your CV and statement of interest by August 15th.**

Thank you all for being members of the Iowa ACC.

Please let me or Nancy know if there is anything we can help you with, including any Advocacy issues.

Stay safe.

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