



Dear VACVPR Members,

It is with great excitement and gratitude that I begin my term as President of the Virginia Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation. Serving on the VACVPR Board has been a rewarding experience, and I am honored to have the opportunity to now serve as President. I am incredibly grateful for the dedication of our members, volunteers, past presidents, and board members who have helped make VACVPR the organization it is today. Our association is strengthened by the passion and expertise of the professionals who continue to advocate for and advance cardiovascular and pulmonary rehabilitation across Virginia.

As we look ahead to this year, I am excited about the opportunities in front of us. My goal is to continue building a strong, engaged, and sustainable organization that provides meaningful value to our members while advancing the field of cardiovascular and pulmonary rehabilitation. One area I hope to focus on is strengthening member engagement and involvement. VACVPR is at its best when our members have opportunities to connect, share ideas, learn from one another, and contribute their unique perspectives. Whether through our annual conference, educational opportunities, committees, volunteer roles, or simply becoming more involved in the association, there is a place for everyone within VACVPR.

I also hope to continue developing stronger organizational processes and succession planning. As our organization grows, it is important that we create systems that support continuity from one leadership year to the next. By documenting processes, developing future leaders, and creating opportunities for members to become involved at different levels, we can reduce the need to continually reinvent the wheel and ensure VACVPR continues to thrive for years to come.

Another priority will be finding new ways to expand the value of VACVPR beyond our annual conference. While our conference remains an important part of what we offer, I believe there are opportunities throughout the year to provide education, networking, professional development, and resources that support our members in their day-to-day work. Most importantly, I want this to be a year where we continue to listen to our members. I encourage you to share your ideas, your successes, your challenges, and the ways VACVPR can better serve you. The future of this organization depends on the involvement and voices of its members.

Thank you for trusting me with the opportunity to serve as your President. I look forward to an exciting year of growth, collaboration, and continued commitment to our patients and our profession.

Warmly,

Whittney Trump, MS, CCRP
President