Welcome to our current, returning and new members. We are delighted to have you as part of our membership. Membership is a lifelong journey we are looking forward to being beside you on this journey. As promised, we have been working diligently in providing you opportunities to gain access to more CEUs throughout the year.

This year, we partnered with the Suncoast Chapter to provide you with a monthly Lunch and Learn Journal Club. This format has been well received, and we intend to continue with this partnership in the future.

Please bookmark our website (www.acrpnet.org/CentralFL), where you will find complete information on our programs and activities. If you are part of the Facebook or LinkedIn online community, be sure to become a fan of our Central Florida Chapter, where we post pictures and make event announcements.

Currently, we are gearing up for our upcoming chapter election. All members will be receiving a Call for Nominations email soon, where you can nominate yourself or someone else (with their permission of course) who would be interested in participating on the Chapter Board to contribute and help shape the direction of the Chapter. Board leaders serve one-year terms and are expected to actively participate in monthly Board meetings, Chapter events and planning meetings during the term year. Look for the election announcement in November.

The Central Florida Chapter is your chapter! We want to be completely transparent in all that transpires within the Chapter. Therefore, we would welcome you to be part of the election process. The meeting for the chapter election discussion will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2019 @ Panera Bread, Orlando. RSVP to any of the officers, if you are interested in attending.

I understand that life can get very busy, but I personally hope you will make time to participate in our future events. And as usual, be sure to let us know what you are interested in by emailing CFLACRP@gmail.com
Vice President’s Message – Susan Nelson

I found Christmas decorations at Sam’s last week, so I’m guessing it’s almost the end of the year! It has been a busy 2019. Part of our strategic plan for this year was to find new ways to provide our members with additional opportunities to earn CEU’s, because many members voiced that they were not able to fulfill the requirements for renewal at a reasonable price.

What’s better than free CEU’s, if you are a chapter member! An opportunity came about with the Suncoast chapter to collaborate on the monthly Journal Club that Jessica spoke about above. The discussion topics come from requests and suggestions made on the ACRP “Online Community” forum, so the education provided each month is very relevant to our day-to-day responsibilities. So far this year, we have provided you the opportunity to earn 7 CEU’s (Feb thru Aug) through the Journal Club. The next opportunity will be in October, so be on the look out for the registration announcement coming soon. Take advantage of these opportunities and make your Chapter membership work for you!

For the second year, the chapter offered a CCRC Exam Study Group in July, which was very well attended. We heard from the first group last year that it was extremely helpful to familiarize with the exam format, content, and review example questions. Several members had inquired if it would be offered again this year, and we said “of course!” While there are no CEU’s offered for this event, it is a valuable resource to our members who are obtaining their ACRP certification.

The chapter will continue to strive towards bringing events to the members that are educational, realistic, helpful, and inexpensive throughout the next year. But we cannot continue to grow and develop new offerings without the member attendance support. Please consider making a personal commitment to participate in the events and avail yourselves of all that the ACRP Central Florida Chapter has to offer and help us make the Chapter bigger and better for all every year!
ABOUT THE CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER
We proudly serve Orlando and the surrounding areas to provide up-to-date information, continuing education credits and networking for the Central Florida research community. We are a comprehensive organization of clinical research professionals from a variety of backgrounds. Our mission is to provide a readily accessible mechanism for regional program development for clinical research professionals to foster professional interaction, continuing education, problem-solving, and discussion of professional issues. Our desire is to position our members to be leaders in their field and be at the forefront of the evolving challenges and developments in clinical research.

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS:

Journal Club Lunch & Learn:
When: Tuesday, October 22nd from 12:30pm – 1:30pm
Professional Development for the CRC:
A Shared Responsibility
by Joy Jurnack, RN CCRC CIP FACRP
Where: GoToMeeting Web-conference
Registration details coming soon via email!

Social Media
We are happy to announce that our Social Media is up and ready to use. Social media is a part of our daily lives and a powerful tool to share latest information and engage with our fellow members.

- Join us on LinkedIn
  https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12088155
- Become a fan on Facebook
  https://m.facebook.com/groups/170507360375829
Please note that both pages are closed groups and access must be requested.

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