PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Lisette Gonzalez, CCRA

Welcome our final newsletter for 2013 and the close of our 10th anniversary year. We would like to thank everyone who supported the chapter and attended our events this past year. There is so much happening in the upcoming months that I would like to share with you.

Our last event of the year will be the 10th Annual Holiday Networking Party, which will take place on Thursday, December 5th. As previously reported, the location will be the 8th Floor Cafe at Saks Fifth Avenue. In our last newsletter, I wrote that the decor would be new as a result of renovations but we have been informed that they decided to postpone the renovations until Spring of 2014. Nevertheless, it will be a lovely location and the Rockefeller Christmas Tree will have been lit the previous evening. As a follow-up to our 2012 specialty cocktail, the Snowflake, our specialty drink this year will be Pomegranate and Cranberry Bellinis. The early bird registration expires on November 25th at 11:55 PM so be sure to visit the Upcoming Events page of our website for a copy of the flyer and to register for the event. Aerotek (Gold Sponsor) and Walden University will be present at the event.

Heads up ACRP-Certified New York Metropolitan Chapter members! It is that time again, time to submit your documentation to be reimbursed for the cost of contact hours purchased for any 2013 New York Metropolitan Chapter events you attended. The deadline for submission is December 9th. Please click here for the requirements and instructions on the how, what and where to submit your documentation.

The first set of 2014 ACRP certification exams will take place from February 27 to March 22, 2014. The chapter has decided to hold another Certification Classroom Prep Course on either January 11th or 18th. We are in the process of finalizing the date and we will be sending out additional information once the details are available. You can always check our Upcoming Event page or Global ACRP’s Certification and Professional Development pages for registration information. The cost will be the same as for the July 2013 prep course: $250 New York Metropolitan Chapter ACRP member, $275 ACRP member and $300 Non-Member.

We would like to thank our members who cast their votes for the 2014-2015 Secretary and Treasurer positions. The Treasurer position resulted in Gabrielle Gaspard and Nancy Hogle receiving an equal number of votes. In order to break the tied results, all New York Metropolitan Chapter members will be receiving an email from Global ACRP asking those members who did not have a chance to vote before the close of elections last week to please cast their vote by Friday, November 22nd. We look forward to being able to announce our 2014 board members to you next week, please help us do that by voting.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Saks on December 5th. Please enjoy your upcoming holidays and have a wonderful New Year. See you in 2014!

Best regards,

Lisette
As we come to the close of another year, the Education Committee would like to thank our members and the larger, local research community for helping to make our educational programs more well attended than ever!

We hope that means that we are doing our job of listening to your ideas and suggestions, and therefore we encourage you to continue to make recommendations for event topics in 2014 either by completing a survey at one of our events or by emailing us directly at nymetroacrp@gmail.com.

Our agenda is coming together for 2014 based on feedback we have received from you over the past few months, but please feel free to continue to contribute your ideas for a topic or even a venue!
PAST CHAPTER EVENTS

September 20, 2013: 5th Annual Clinical Research Symposium
For those who were unable to attend our full-day annual symposium, you missed out on a unique collection of speakers who each shared a piece of their story as it related to the event's theme, "Crisis Management in Clinical Research." The audience heard accounts of how different companies or institutions dealt with a crisis, as well as, how to best prepare for and prevent a crisis escalate or even happen in the work environment.

Congratulations to our prize winners: Diane Agar (iPad Mini from the NY Metropolitan Chapter of ACRP), Bogdana Dikovitska (ACRP Webinar from the NY Metropolitan Chapter of ACRP), Mary Scranton (Window Solar Cling Charger from BioStorage Technologies), Marlene Kern (iPod Shuffle from Bio-Optronics), Donna Watridge (Mobil Gear Tech Kit from Walden University) and Janet Scherer ($100 AMEX Gift Card from BRANY).

October 30, 2013: With All Good Intentions: Has Ethical Review of Human Subjects Research Gone Rogue?
Our last educational program took place on October 30th. We were fortunate to have internationally renowned and highly esteemed speaker, Dr. Greg Koski, give a presentation on "With All Good Intentions: Has the Ethical Review of Human Subjects Research Gone Rogue?" at the NYU College of Dentistry.

Sowmya Sreekanth and Ingrid Gherson each won the opportunity to have the chapter donate $25 to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation's Time for Research initiative as part of Breast Cancer Awareness month. Each $25 donation supports 30 minutes of clinical research time. Each winner was able to specify a special person to be listed on the site's donation honor roll.

Pictures from these and other past events will be posted on the Past Chapter Events page of our website.

CHAPTER & MEMBER NEWS

We would like to acknowledge our chapter members who appear in print. If you have an article published in the Monitor or another journal, please send us the information so that we can include it in our Spring 2014 newsletter, which is due to be released in March. Please see the 2013 list of chapter member publications in the Monitor below. In addition, we have provided a list of Chapter and Board members who will be presenting at the 2014 ACRP Global Conference in San Antonio, Texas. Please let us know if we have missed any chapter members on this listing and we will be sure to list your presentations in the next newsletter.

CHAPTER MEMBERS IN PRINT


CHAPTER MEMBERS PRESENTING AT THE ACRP GLOBAL 2014 CONFERENCE
April 26-29, 2014 in San Antonio, Texas

W003 - Best Practices to Become a Preferred Site (Friday, April 25th, 8 AM - 5 PM)
Janet Holwell, Lisette Gonzalez and Lyn Goldsmith

S208 - Coverage Analysis, Budgeting and Pre-Award Practices Limiting Fiscal Risk in Clinical Research
Erika J. Stevens and Tina Noonan

PS408 - Remote Monitoring: How Far Can We Go?
Lyn Goldsmith and Michael Hamrell

S509 - Ensuring Success through Smarter Site Selection and Study Feasibility
Janet Holwell

S607 - Facilitating Remote Monitoring with a Paperless Clinical Trial Management System
Lyn Goldsmith

S1301 - The Challenges of Implementing a New CTMS at a Large AMC
Halley Rogers

FREE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

UPCOMING WEBINAR
Finding Your Patients and Updating Your Patient Recruitment Strategy
Tuesday, December 3rd at 12:00 PM Central Time
Presented by Forte Research Systems

PRE-RECORDED WEBINARS
The Characteristics of a High Performance Human Research Protection
Program (HRPP)  
Presented by Huron Consulting Group

Streamlining Effort Reporting While Strengthening Compliance  
Presented by Huron Consulting Group

Creating a Culture of Research Compliance  
Presented by Forte Research Systems

eConsent for Clinical Research: Considerations in Implementation and IRB Review  
Presented by Quorum IRB

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Welcome!

to our new and returning chapter members!

We currently have 242 active members to date with 20 new members joining us in the last quarter. We would like to give a warm welcome to:

Michelle Ashe, Michael Belotto, Dionne Bobb, Jennifer Boroff-Turner, Nicole Cappillino, Kara Crowley, Kate Dalton, Anthony Denison, Linda Hollenweger, Gila Klein, Christina Koutoudis, Jessica Little, Jayne Peister, David Reiner, Meggin Sabatino, Rodriq Stubbs, Sarah Tometen, Puspa Utomo, Mark Wygonik, and Qinsha Yang.

For membership questions, email Jun Loquere at al2061@columbia.edu. You can also log on to www.acrpnet.org for ACRP and chapter membership applications.

WANT TO POST SOMETHING IN OUR NEWSLETTER OR JOB BOARD?

For information on placing advertisements in the quarterly newsletter or posting positions on the monthly Job Board, click here. You can also send your comments or suggestions to vl2126@columbia.edu.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Marketing Committee is currently seeking sponsorship for our last 2013 and upcoming 2014 events. Corporations, recruiters, or institutions interested in sponsorship of any of our events should contact Janet Ellen Holwell at jholwell@aol.com or (718) 263-4160. We have several levels of corporate sponsorship available.

The Marketing Committee is always looking for volunteers. Any members interested in becoming more involved in the chapter should also contact Janet.