

# Leadership opportunities

Enjoying committee service within ACOOG

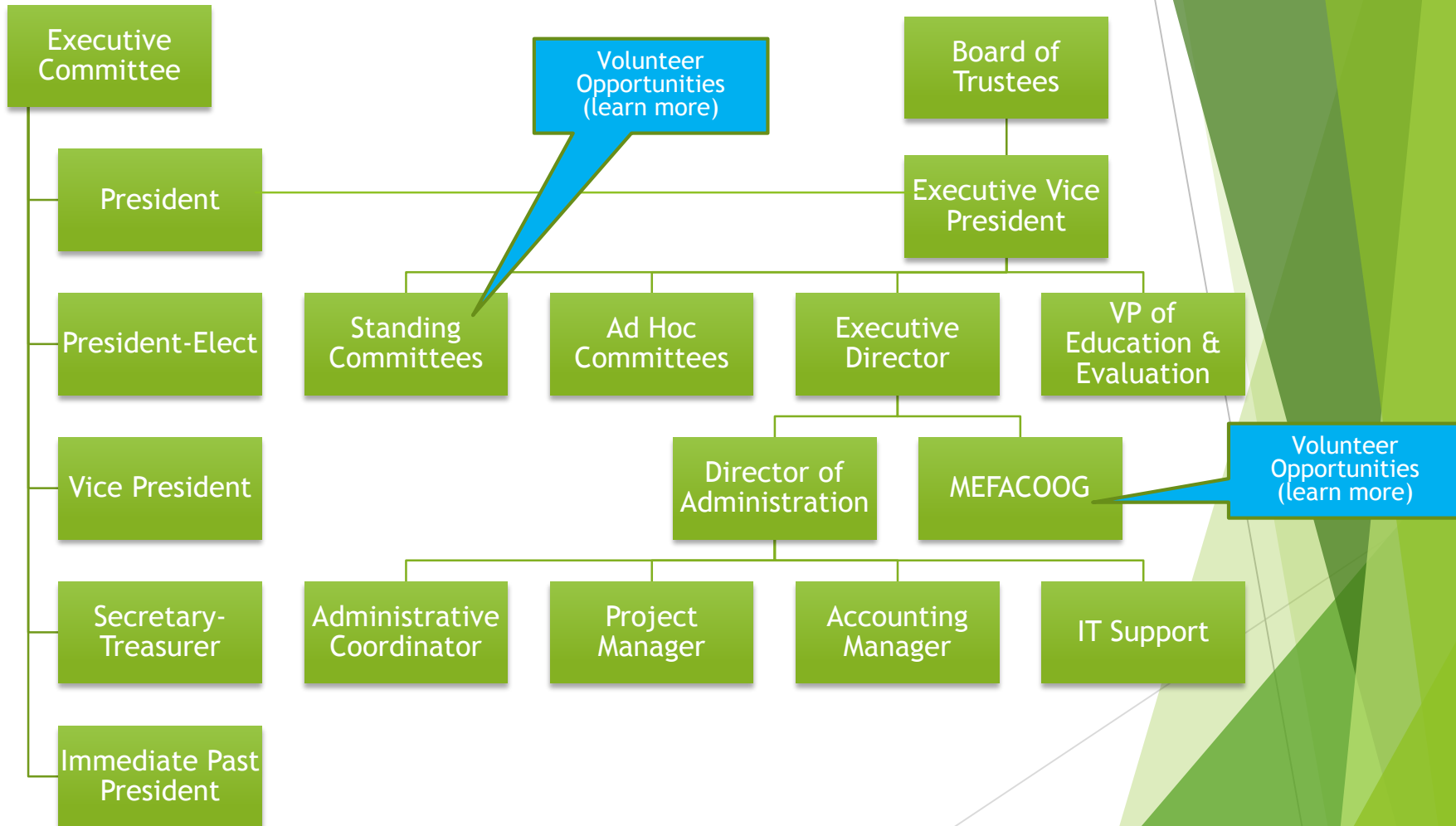
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# To learn more about Committee service within ACOOG

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The committees allow for rewarding opportunities to serve within ACOOG.

# ACCOOG Organization structure



# Executive Committee Board Officers

- ▶ President- Dr. James Perez
- ▶ President Elect- Dr. David Boes
- ▶ Vice President- Dr. Octavia Cannon
- ▶ Secretary - Treasurer-Dr. Jeannine McMahon
- ▶ Immediate Past President-Dr. Eric Carlson

# James Perez, DO, FACOOG(Dist) President



Dr. James Perez is the Program Director for the OB/GYN Residency program at Doctors Hospital Ohio Health, Columbus, Ohio. He is a graduate of Rutgers University, and received his Osteopathic degree from the University Of Health Sciences College Of Osteopathic Medicine in Kansas City. He completed his internship and residency at Doctors Hospital in Columbus Ohio and is board certified by the AOBG. Professional includes AOA, ACOOG, APGO-CREOG and the AIUM.

He is known for his expertise in Operative Laparoscopic Surgery, including pioneering work in Laparoscopic Presacral Neurectomy, and Laparoscopic Hysterectomy. He has contributed to multiple textbooks, including Operative Laparoscopy - The Masters' Techniques in Gynecologic Surgery, Principles of Laparoscopic Surgery: Basic and Advanced Techniques. He has lectured nationally and internationally.

He received the title 'Distinguished' Fellow bestowed by the ACOOG March 2005. He served the ACOOG as a member of the REC (Residency Evaluation Committee now renamed the Postgraduate Evaluation and Standards Committee - PESC) and as an editor for the recently published AIUM / CREOG / ACOG / ACOOG Ultrasound Lecture Series - learning modules for OB/GYN Residents. He presently serves as an examiner and question writer for the AOBG (American Osteopathic Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology), as a member of ACOOG's Board of Trustees (now as Secretary Treasure) and ACOOG's Postgraduate Education Committee.

At Doctors Hospital he has twenty five (28) years of leadership experience. He served as Chairperson and or Vice Chairperson of the department of Ob/Gyn on several different occasions, has been Program Director of the Ob/Gyn program since 1994, served as Vice Chairmen of the OB/GYN CORE RPAC since its inception and is now Chairmen of the Ob/Gyn CORE RPAC. He is a Clinical Associate Professor of Ob/Gyn for OUCOM. In addition to serving on numerous committees over the years, he presently also serves on the Doctors Hospital Ohio Health Credentials Committee, the Clinical Quality Committee and as a Member at Large. His commitment to Physician leadership education continues by attending (past and present) the Ohio Health Leadership Academy programs.



# David Boes, DO, FACOOG (Dist) President-elect

- ▶ Program Director 2014-present
- ▶ MetroHealth Hospital Grand Rapids
- ▶ Program Director 1994 - 2014  
Obstetrics and Gynecology Residency Program  
McLaren Greater Lansing/MSUCOM
- ▶ Associate Professor - Obstetrics and Gynecology  
Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine
- ▶ Immediate Past Chair - Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology  
McLaren Greater Lansing
- ▶ Practice: MetroHealth Women's Clinic
- ▶ Medical School: Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine
- ▶ Residency: Riverside Osteopathic Hospital, Detroit Osteopathic Hospital

# Octavia Cannon, DO, FACOOG (Dist)

## Vice President



Octavia Cannon is a native of East Lansing, Michigan and is an Honors graduate of Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina. She received her medical training at Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Miami, Florida and completed her residency at St. John/Detroit Riverview and Hutzel Hospitals in Detroit, Michigan. During her residency, she served as the Resident Representative of the Residency Evaluation Committee; which is now known as the Postgraduate Evaluations and Standards Committee. Dr. Cannon is the former Director of the Women's Health Division of Gaston County Health Department and served as Chair of the Ob/Gyn Department at Gaston Memorial Hospital in Gastonia, North Carolina. She left Gastonia after six years of service and joined Arboretum Obstetrics and Gynecology. She is currently a co-owner of this practice; which is now the only privately-owned ob/gyn practice in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Throughout her career, Dr. Cannon has enjoyed her service to ACOOG. Her committee service has included: Membership and Promotions, Strategic Planning and Continuing Medical Education. She has co-chaired two Annual Conferences and currently serves as the chair of the Bylaws Committee and is a member of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Cannon's other interests include her twenty-seven year service membership in the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. She is also an active member of the Junior League of Charlotte. She volunteers in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Public School system and enjoys giving talks on women's health in local churches and meetings. She also serves proudly on the Board of Directors of Florence Crittenton Services of North Carolina; a non-profit organization that helps pregnant and non-pregnant yet at-risk girls and women.

# Jeanine McMahon, DO, FACOOG

## Secretary-Treasurer



- ▶ Graduated CCOM in 1987
- ▶ OB/GYN residency at CCOM - graduated in 1992
- ▶ Married since 1992
- ▶ In private practice for 22 years in Crown Point, Indiana. Managing partner of the corporation.
- ▶ Have served as chairperson of OB/GYN department at hospital for 10 years, as well as on Board of Directors of hospital system for 5 years.
- ▶ Served on Finance Committee 2008-2011. Trustee since 2011 and assumed role as Secretary-treasurer in 2014.



# Eric Carlson, DO, FACOOG(Dist) Immediate Past President



Dr. Carlson received his Osteopathic degree from the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey-School of Osteopathic Medicine.

He also completed his General Rotating Internship and Ob/Gyn Residency at the New Jersey School of Osteopathic Medicine and Kennedy Memorial Hospitals- University Medical Center. He completed his Maternal Fetal Medicine Fellowship at Eastern Virginia Medical School and Sentara Norfolk General Hospital in Norfolk, Virginia.

He is a Clinical Associate Professor at Thomas Jefferson University-College of Medicine. He is a partner of Main Line Perinatal Associates, a full service MFM practice at Main Line Hospitals in Southeastern Pennsylvania, a tertiary perinatal center with an OB/GYN residency.

He was a member of the 2008 NIH Fetal Monitoring Workshop Panel which instituted the current guidelines utilized for fetal monitoring.

He was a member of the Cervical Length Education and Review (CLEAR) Panel which formulated the current guidelines for transvaginal cervical length measurement.

He is a member of the ACOOG Board of Trustees and currently serves as the College's Vice President. He is married to Joanna with whom he has four children, and lives in a noisy home in Haddonfield, New Jersey

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# Trustees of the Board

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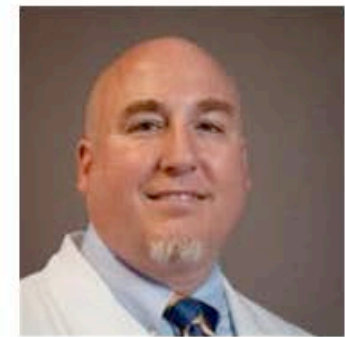
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# Michael Geria, DO, FACOOG (Dist) Executive Vice President



Dr Michael Geria was born and raised in Philadelphia PA. He received a bachelor's degree in biology from Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia PA. He is a graduate of Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine.

He completed a rotating internship and OB/GYN residency at UMDNJ-SOM/Kennedy Memorial Hospital in Stratford NJ.

He is a graduate of the Costin Institute of Midwestern University.

He is currently the director of medical education and OB/GYN program director at South Jersey Health System in Vineland NJ. There he started and oversees eleven Osteopathic training programs including the first Osteopathic fellowship in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery.

He is a clinical assistant professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey-School of Osteopathic Medicine and clinical associate professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Dr Geria currently lives in Mullica Hill NJ with his wife, Dr Cathy Geria.

# William Bradford, DO, FACOOG (Dist)

## Vice President of Education & Evaluation



- ▶ Dr. Bill Bradford completed medical school at the College of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Science in Des Moines Iowa.
- ▶ Rotating internship was at Humana Hospital of South Broward
- ▶ Residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology was at Community Hospital of Lancaster, PA
- ▶ Service to ACOOG includes: Member of the BOT, Sec/Treas, Hospital Residency Program Inspector, Residency Program Director and committee appointments to the PESC.
- ▶ Clinical Examiner for AOBORG since 1996, Member of the AOBORG Board, and current Clinical Exam Chair.
- ▶ Dr. Bradford is a generalist practicing in Lancaster, PA. Married with 6 children, 3 daughter-in-law's and 2 grand children.
- ▶ A passion in life surrounds the ability to teach skill sets of which he is rated by the FAA to offer training in single and multi-engine aircraft.

# Valerie Brennan, CAE

## Executive Director



Valerie Brennan has 17 years of experience with osteopathic associations and holds the Certified Association Executive credential through the American Society of Association Executives.

She has been with ACOOG since 2005. Previous experience includes service as a Regional Affiliate Consultant with the American Osteopathic Association Division of Affiliate Affairs, Executive Director of the Alabama Osteopathic Medical Association, and participation on the Boards of the Society of Osteopathic Specialty Executives and Association of Osteopathic State Executive Directors.

Prior to association work, her background was in practice management and quality assurance at a community medical center where osteopathic students trained. One of the most gratifying aspects of her career is seeing many of those students and the student members of ACOOG become leaders and educators in the profession.

# Standing Committees

- ▶ Bylaws Committee
- ▶ Continuing Medical Education Committee
- ▶ Editorial Committee
- ▶ Ethics and Professional Standards Committee
- ▶ Finance Committee
- ▶ Government Affairs Committee
- ▶ (more)

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# Standing Committees (continued)

- ▶ History and Traditions Committee
- ▶ Membership and Promotions Committee
- ▶ Postgraduate Evaluation and Standards Committee
- ▶ Postgraduate Curriculum Committee
- ▶ Research and Awards Committee
- ▶ Strategic Planning Committee



# Ad Hoc Committees

Temporary committees to address specific needs of the college

- ▶ Ad Hoc Resident Council
- ▶ Ad Hoc OMM Technical Position/Committee Opinion
- ▶ Ad Hoc Leadership Development Council
- ▶ Ad Hoc Legacy Society
- ▶ Ad Hoc Media/Position Response Committee



# Bylaws Committee

- ▶ Duties and Description
- ▶ Complimentary Personality Traits or Skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on investment
- ▶ Current Chair Person-Dr. Octavia Cannon
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# Bylaws Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits or Skills

- ▶ Willingness to serve
- ▶ An interest in the governing documents and structure of ACOOG

# Bylaws Committee

## Duties/Description

To Study all proposed and necessary amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws

To draw up in proper form all suggested amendments and to send a copy of these proposed amendments to the Executive Vice President of the College not later than December 1 of each year

# Bylaws Committee Commitment

8 hours or less per year

2 teleconferences per year

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# Bylaws Committee

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Meeting like-minded members
- ▶ Networking
- ▶ Knowledge of the ACOOG governance structure
- ▶ Leadership experience and opportunities
- ▶ Distinguished Fellow points-2 per term

# Continuing Medical Education Committee

- ▶ Brief Description
- ▶ Detailed Description
- ▶ Complimentary Personality Traits or Skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chair person- Dr. Thomas Dardarian
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# CME Committee

## Brief Description

- ▶ Members create and design continuing medical education programs with the goal of ensuring the availability of current and appropriate academic materials for the practicing osteopathic obstetrician and gynecologist

# CME Committee

## Detailed Description

- ▶ The committee consists of a chair and twelve (12) members inclusive of the program chairs and co-chairs of the next three scheduled conferences and a resident representative. Ex-officio members will be the Executive Vice President. Term will be a three year appointment with a maximum of 2 terms per member.

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# CME Committee

## Detailed Description, Cont.

- ▶ To insure that all members, as set forth by the Board of Trustees, meet the minimal standards for continued postgraduate education in obstetrics and gynecology as required by this college and approved by the American Osteopathic Association
- ▶ To review and recommend program curricula submitted by program chair(s) to the ACOOG Board of Trustees
- ▶ (more)

# CME Committee

## Detailed Description, Cont.

- ▶ To review and recommend to the Board of Trustees Candidates for the position of Program Chair(s) for the annual scientific convention and the midyear postgraduate program
- ▶ To review evaluation forms received from program attendees
- ▶ To develop long range CME course curricula
- ▶ (more)

# CME Committee

## Detailed Description, Cont.

- ▶ To assist the Postgraduate Evaluation and Standards Committee with incorporating the inclusion of Osteopathic principles and practices in obstetrics and gynecology
- ▶ To assure the inclusion of appropriate Osteopathic content in the Continuing Medical Education programs presented by ACOOG

# CME Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills

- ▶ Creativity
- ▶ Strong organizational skills
- ▶ An interest in academic medicine
- ▶ Willingness to work hard and well with others
- ▶ Comfort with approaching and obtaining speakers

# CME Committee Commitment

- ▶ In person meeting during fall conference
- ▶ 6 teleconferences/year
- ▶ 60 hours/year if working on conference
- ▶ 8-10 hours/year for online modules
- ▶ Possible impromptu meeting at annual conference (not required)

# CME Committee

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Satisfaction of creating relevant and valuable educational programs
- ▶ Involvement in a very active and highly visible committee
- ▶ Working with speakers and cutting edge academics
- ▶ Meeting and networking with the leadership of the College
- ▶ Distinguished Fellow Points-5 points (max 10)

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# Editorial Committee

- ▶ Description
- ▶ Complimentary Personality traits and Skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chairperson- Dr. Ellen Wood
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# Editorial Committee

## Description

- ▶ The chair shall be the editor of the ACOOG newsletter
- ▶ The committee members shall act as guest editors for the ACOOG newsletter
- ▶ To cooperate with the editorial department of the AOA and assist in editing obstetrical and gynecological writing intended for publication
- ▶ The committee consists of a Chairperson and 4 members as determined by the president



# Editorial Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills

- ▶ An understanding of medical writing and/or statistics
- ▶ Communication skills
- ▶ Bonus skill-history of publication
- ▶ Willingness to critically read and review articles

# Editorial Committee Commitment

- ▶ Majority of time is spent via email communication to discuss topics and articles
- ▶ Availability for teleconference if necessary

# Editorial Committee

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Being first to read current research articles
- ▶ Working with likeminded academic individuals
- ▶ Strengthening of writing skills
- ▶ Distinguished Fellow points- 2 (max x 4)

# Ethics and Professional Standards Committee

- ▶ Brief Description of Duties
- ▶ Complimentary personality traits and skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chair Dr. Mark Neerhof
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# Ethics and Professional Standards Committee

## Brief Description

- ▶ To enforce the Code of Ethics of the College
- ▶ To review, investigate and hold hearings as may be necessary with regard to allegations or complaints of violations by any member of the Constitution, Bylaws, Code of Ethics, unprofessional conduct or failure to exercise sound judgment and a reasonable degree of skill in the diagnostic and therapeutic procedures involved in the practice of obstetrics and gynecology

# Ethics and Professional Standards Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits/Skills

- ▶ Proven history of leadership in ACOOG and/or hospital and/or community organizations
- ▶ A fair, even tempered personality
- ▶ Bonus skills- legal training or participation/knowledge in ethics

# Ethics and Professional Standards Committee Commitment

- ▶ Minimal time commitment; primarily on an as needed basis

# Ethics and Professional Standards Committee

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Satisfaction in helping to maintain the high ethical standards of the college
- ▶ Helping to assure membership that quality and professional standards continue to be associated with the college
- ▶ Working with intelligent, like minded individuals
- ▶ Distinguished Fellow points-2 (max x4)

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# Finance Committee

- ▶ Description
- ▶ Complimentary personality traits or skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chair person- Dr. Jeannine McMahon
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# Finance Committee

## Description

- ▶ 3 members including the Secretary-Treasurer as chair, the Vice President and one member appointed by the President from the membership at large
- ▶ To prepare a budget of the anticipated expenditures and income for the ensuing year. This budget will be presented to the board of trustees during the midyear meeting
- ▶ To review the auditors report and all matters of financial nature involving the utilization and expenditures of the funds of the college

# Finance Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills

- ▶ Organizational skills
- ▶ An understanding of basic accounting and financial statements
- ▶ Bonus-investment knowledge

# Finance Committee Commitment

- ▶ 12-18 hours yearly for the chairperson
- ▶ 4 hours for regular members
- ▶ 2 teleconferences yearly-one prior to each Board of Trustees meeting

# Finance Committee

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Understanding and helping to monitor the finances of the college
- ▶ The opportunity to work with long term College leaders
- ▶ Distinguished Fellow points- 2 (max x4)

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# Government Affairs Committee

- ▶ Brief Description
- ▶ Detailed Description
- ▶ Complimentary personality traits and skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chair person-Dr. Sherman Dunn
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# Government Affairs Committee

## Brief Description

- ▶ Monitoring and reporting of legislative and regulatory issues important to women's health
- ▶ The committee keeps the ACOOG membership abreast of issues at a Federal and State level that affect the practice of obstetrics and gynecology

# Government Affairs Committee

## Detailed Description

- ▶ This committee shall consist of five members, one of whom is the Chair and one resident representative. Resident term will be one year to be served in the third or fourth year of training. In addition, the Executive Vice President shall be an ex-officio member of this committee.
- ▶ The primary goal is reporting of governmental issues important to women's health to the board of trustees of ACOOG
- ▶ Members function as liaison between the ACOOG and the government relations committees of other national organizations pertinent to women's healthcare
- ▶ The committee reports to the Board of Trustees at least twice yearly at both the annual and fall meetings



# Governmental Affairs Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits or Skills

- ▶ An interest or education in public policy involving women's health care
- ▶ Political experience or connections
- ▶ Involvement in local or regional organizations
- ▶ Ideally committee membership should encompass members from rural and urban practices as well as hospitalists and those in academia. The goal is to maintain a broad based perspective and to embody the unique issues and concerns of all aspects of our membership.

# Governmental Affairs Committee Commitment

- ▶ Members should be active in their state societies or serve as a member of the annual AOA House of Delegates
- ▶ Members should be committed to attend DO Day on the Hill to advocate for our patients

# Government Affairs Committee

## Return on Investment

- ▶ A cutting edge awareness of current policies in women's healthcare, which in turn allows members to be at the forefront on advocacy issues, as well as helping to dictate the direction of our practices and patient care issues.
- ▶ Active participation and commitment that can affect practice issues, patient advocacy and outcomes.
- ▶ The ability to be involved in shaping political change
- ▶ Working and networking with political figures and helping to institute change for the better of women's health
- ▶ Distinguished Fellow points- 2 (max x4)

# History and Traditions Committee

- ▶ Brief Description
- ▶ Detailed Description
- ▶ Complimentary personal traits and skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chair person-Dr. Richard Polk
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# History and Traditions Committee

## Brief Description

- ▶ The committee maintains a written history of ACOOG in order to preserve its legacy
- ▶ The committee has a role in recognition of current members achieving milestones
- ▶ The committee collects historic information then includes documents, photographs, print materials or electronic recordings

# History and Traditions Committee

## Detailed Description

- ▶ The chair of the committee will be designated the Historian of the college and must be a Distinguished Fellow-service is for 3 years with no term limits-If unable to be present at the annual meeting another Distinguished Fellow will act as Historian for that year
- ▶ The committee shall consist of a Chair and four members plus a resident representative, and at least two members will be Distinguished Fellows. They shall serve three year terms and be staggered initially to allow for change in membership more frequently than every three years. The resident member will serve a one year term during the third or fourth year of training. [\(more\)](#)

# History and Traditions Committee

## Detailed Description cont.

- ▶ The committee will recommend actions, activities and keep a log of significant events by the membership of ACOOG
- ▶ The committee will keep a written history complete with photographs, documentation and other personal and professional information of significant events of the ACOOG in order to preserve its legacy
- ▶ The committee will meet at least once a year at the annual meeting

# History and Traditions Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills

- ▶ Enjoyment of the social aspects of the college
- ▶ Strong communication skills
- ▶ An interest in the past as well as current events of ACOOG
- ▶ A willingness and interest in spending time interviewing members and collecting information
- ▶ Bonus skill- writing



# History and Traditions Committee Commitment

- ▶ Variable-the hours will depend on the current or ongoing projects
  - Approximately 24-48 hours on average
- ▶ Attendance at annual conference is required
- ▶ 1-2 teleconferences yearly in addition to a meeting during the annual conference

# History and Traditions Committee

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Meeting and networking with interesting people who are active and involved
- ▶ The satisfaction of helping to create the legacy of ACOOG
- ▶ Knowing the history of the college- who we were and helping to document where we are going
- ▶ Distinguished fellow points-2 (max x4)

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# Membership and Promotions Committee

- ▶ Brief Description
- ▶ Detailed Description
- ▶ Complimentary personality traits or skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chair person- Dr. Marydonna Ravasio
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# Membership and Promotion Committee

## Brief Description

- ▶ To investigate and contact any individual who has a special interest in obstetrics and gynecology and invite him/her to apply for membership
- ▶ Development and maintenance of methods and standards to promote new membership
- ▶ To maintain current membership and their active involvement in ACOOG

# Membership and Promotion Committee

## Detailed Description

- ▶ The committee is made of of a chair and 8 members. The members are appointed for a 2 year term with a maximum of 2 terms-plus the Executive Vice President and one resident representative. The chair is appointed annually by the president and has no term limits.
- ▶ The committee is to investigate and contact any individual who has a special interest in obstetrics and gynecology and invite him/her to apply for membership in the college
- ▶ The committee is to contact the chairs of Departments of obstetrics and gynecology in osteopathic hospitals to encourage members of their departments who qualify to apply for College membership

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# Membership and Promotion Committee

## Detailed Description, cont.

- ▶ The committee works to develop and maintain methods and standards to promote new membership in the College, maintain current membership and their active roll in the college
- ▶ The committee recruits former members and encourages their active involvement
- ▶ The committee investigates, reviews, and evaluates all information and material submitted by the applicant in support of the application fro membership
- ▶ The committee also makes certain that the applicant is favorably known in his/her own locality as being engaged in the practice of osteopathic obstetrics and/or gynecology
- ▶ (more)



# Membership and Promotion Committee

## Detailed Description, cont.

- ▶ The committee ensures that the applicant is in good standing with the AOA
- ▶ The committee reports to the Board of Trustees at the annual meeting and the fall meeting a summary of these investigations
- ▶ The committee notifies the applicant if he/she has been rejected for membership and the reason for rejection
- ▶ The committee recommends to the college how it can support and educate its member physicians in providing total women's health care

# Membership and Promotion Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills

- ▶ Strong communication and organizational skills
- ▶ Enjoys working with others
- ▶ Willing to volunteer time and effort
- ▶ Open-mindedness
- ▶ Willingness to travel to at least one medical school per year in order to perform a Visiting Professor Program
- ▶ Bonus -Interest in detective work



# Membership and Promotion Committee Commitment

- ▶ Attendance at the Fall Conference to attend the Membership and Promotion Committee meeting and the National Student Society meeting
- ▶ Attendance at the Annual Conference to assist at the Awards Ceremony
- ▶ 2-3 teleconferences yearly lasting approximately 60-90 minutes
- ▶ 1-2 hours of preparation prior to the teleconference

# Membership and Promotion Committee

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Contributing to the future of ACOOG by acting as a role model for our student membership
- ▶ Working with engaged and outgoing individuals
- ▶ Satisfaction in helping the college to maintain an active membership
- ▶ Meeting new people
- ▶ Helping to ensure quality membership
- ▶ Distinguished fellow points-2 (max x4)

# Postgraduate Evaluation and Standards Committee (PESC)

- ▶ Brief Description
- ▶ Detailed Description
- ▶ Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chair person- Dr. Patrick Woodman
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

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# PESC

## Brief Description

- ▶ To develop and revise basic standards and guidelines for AOA approved training programs in Obstetrics and Gynecology and its sub-specialties
- ▶ To make yearly evaluations of all GME trainees and ongoing evaluation of residency and fellowship training programs

# PESC

## Detailed Description

- ▶ The committee consists of 9 members-1 must be a member of an osteopathic medical school faculty, appointed for 3yrs with a 2 term limit, plus 1 resident representative and the Executive Vice President
- ▶ To promulgate goals and objectives as minimum standards and guidelines for AOA approved training programs in obstetrics and gynecology and its sub specialties. These shall be contained in the College's basic documents for residency training in obstetrics and gynecology and sub specialties
- ▶ [\(more\)](#)

# PESC

## Detailed Description, cont.

- ▶ To cooperate with the AOA in the formation, supervision, and improvement of the postgraduate training programs in the field of obstetrics and gynecology by:
  - ▶ Reviewing programs annually in accordance with AOA policy
  - ▶ Making a yearly evaluation of all residents and residency training programs
  - ▶ Assisting residents in training by counseling and by constructive criticism of their training programs
  - ▶ Substantiating compliance with the research requirements as outlined in the approved Basic Standards for Residency Training in obstetrics and gynecology
- ▶ (more)

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# PESC

## Detailed Description, cont.

- ▶ Conducting a yearly meeting of the program directors of obstetrics and gynecology and sub-specialties
- ▶ Assisting the AOA in the evaluation of applications for new training programs
- ▶ Enhancing interaction with the American Osteopathic Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology
- ▶ Assisting in the inclusion of and evaluation of osteopathic principles and practice in the training programs in obstetrics and gynecology and sub-specialty training programs
- ▶ Coordination of Postgraduate Evaluation and Standards Committee actions with the appropriate AOA bureaus, councils, and committees

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# PESC

## Detailed Description, cont.

- ▶ To evaluate postgraduate training program inspection reports submitted to the AOA
- ▶ To hold regular meetings as mandated by the AOA
- ▶ To assist the continued development of curriculum in obstetrics and gynecology in the osteopathic colleges
- ▶ To address those issues pertinent to Osteopathic education in obstetrics and gynecology.
- ▶ To act in an advisory capacity to the Editorial, Research and Awards Committees in order to encourage and sponsor basic and clinical scientific research in obstetrics and gynecology at pre and postdoctoral levels



# PESC

## Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills

- ▶ Dedication to quality, education, and training
- ▶ History of working with Trainees
- ▶ Energetic
- ▶ Curious and inquisitive
- ▶ Attention to detail
- ▶ Feeling of justice
- ▶ Like to have your finger on the pulse of graduate medical education

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# PESC

## Commitment

- ▶ 3 - ½-full day meetings and travel, emails, time to review files, teleconferences

- ▶ General member-

$(3 \times 24 \text{ hours}) + (4-8 \text{ hours}) + (2-10 \text{ hours}) = 72 \text{ hours} + (6-18 \text{ hours}) = 78-90 \text{ hours/year}$

- ▶ Executive Committee-

$(3 \times 24 \text{ hours}) + (8-16 \text{ hours}) + (2-10 \text{ hours}) = 72 \text{ hours} + (10-26 \text{ hours}) = 82-98 \text{ hours/year}$

Number of meetings-3

Chairman also has a position on the Strategic Planning Committee

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# PESC

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Staying abreast of ACOOG and AOA changes in standards and rules
- ▶ Connection with residency programs and trainees
- ▶ Recognition of serving on one of the most active ACOOG committees
- ▶ Satisfaction of helping to shape and protect resident training in an environment of increased administrative and regulatory control

# Research and Awards Committee

- ▶ Brief Description
- ▶ Detailed Description
- ▶ Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chair person- Dr. Gregory Willis
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# Research and Awards Committee

## Brief Definition

- ▶ The goal is to help promote original research publications and manuscript submission to the current medical literature

# Research and Awards Committee

## Detailed Description

- ▶ The Committee consists of a chairperson and 3 or more members as determined by the president, including one senior resident or postgraduate fellow.
- ▶ The goal of this committee is to foster excellence and integrity in its physicians in osteopathic training programs. The committee promotes original research publications and manuscript submission to the current medical literature
- ▶ The committee works with the ACOOG Executive committee and the Executive Vice President to explore funding sources to subsidize research in this specialty
- ▶ The committee encourages and assists those in osteopathic training programs in the preparation and submission of research projects
- ▶ (more)

# Research and Awards Committee

## Detailed Description

- ▶ The committee recommends to the Board of Trustees those research projects in obstetrics and gynecology that shall receive financial support from available funds
- ▶ The committee also works with the ACOOG Executive Committee, and the Executive Vice President of ACOOG to evaluate and grade research projects presented at the annual meeting
- ▶ The committee recommends to the Board of Trustees any outstanding osteopathic physician for a special award that may be given by the college from time to time

# Research and Awards Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills

- ▶ A willingness to devote the time and effort necessary
- ▶ Bonus-An understanding of research methods and statistics
- ▶ Bonus-A history of publication or background in research
- ▶ Bonus- Subspecialty training

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# Research and Awards Committee Commitment

- ▶ Estimated time-30 hours per year
- ▶ Number of meetings- attendance at the annual meeting and midyear conference (at least partial attendance)
- ▶ Teleconference-1 or more per year

# Research and Awards Committee

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Networking and interaction with colleagues as well as building of resume
- ▶ Development of a relationship with ACOOG leadership and staff
- ▶ Satisfaction of providing a service to the College
- ▶ Distinguished Fellow points-2 (max x4)

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# Strategic Planning Committee

- ▶ Description and goals
- ▶ Membership
- ▶ Chair-Dr. Michael Geria

# Strategic Planning Committee

## Description/Goals

- ▶ To review bi-annually the ACOOG strategic plan and recommend to the Board of Trustees additions, deletions, or any other change in the strategic plan, missions and goals of the ACOOG

# Strategic Planning Committee Membership

Members of this committee consist of the 2 most recent Past Presidents with the Immediate Past President as Chair, President Elect, Vice President, and 2 members elected at the general membership meeting to staggered 2 year terms, as well as the chairs of Membership and Promotion, Postgraduate Evaluation, and Continuing Medical Education Committees

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# Postgraduate Curriculum Committee

- ▶ Goals
- ▶ Description
- ▶ Complimentary personality traits and skills
- ▶ Commitment
- ▶ Return on Investment
- ▶ Chair-Dr. Robert Debbs
  
- ▶ I'd like to serve
- ▶ I need more information

# Postgraduate Curriculum Committee Goals

- ▶ The goal of the Postgraduate Curriculum Committee is to foster excellence and integrity in physicians in osteopathic training programs. This committee will identify and develop educational resources to assist programs in meeting the standards set forth by the Postgraduate Evaluation and Standards Committee (PESC) and the AOA.

# Postgraduate Curriculum Committee

## Description

- ▶ Committee consists of chair and six senior members that include five directors of AOA or ACGME accredited obstetrics and gynecology programs. Ex-officio members include PESC chair and ACOOG representatives to other national organizations pertinent to, or involved in, graduate medical education.
- ▶ The committee will work with the Executive Committee and the Executive Vice President of ACOOG to explore funding sources for educational initiatives and resources
- ▶ Terms will be staggered and 3 years in length with a limit of 2 consecutive terms



# Postgraduate Curriculum Committee

## Complimentary Personality Traits and Skills

- ▶ Prior proven leadership with ACOOG, the GME community, or other organizations
- ▶ Shows leadership style that is inclusive and balanced
- ▶ Endeavors engender a broad-based support
- ▶ History of fairness

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# Postgraduate Curriculum Committee Commitment

- ▶ 2 teleconference meetings averaging 2 hours each
- ▶ Participation in workshops

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# Postgraduate Committee Return on Investment

- ▶ Satisfaction in giving back to the College
- ▶ Opportunities to work with and share ideas with other leaders in ACOOG
- ▶ Advancement of career in academic and community medical centers
- ▶ Fulfillment of prerequisites for staff positions in hospitals
- ▶ Distinguished fellow points-2 (max x 4)

# Medical Education Foundation of ACOOG (MEFACOOG)

## Brief Description

Are you looking for a new way to be involved? Do you enjoy developing innovative educational programs or social philanthropy? MEFACOOG volunteer leaders can be physicians, educators, non-physician clinicians, spouses/family of ACOOG members, health care industry supporters....anyone with a passion for women's health! Several positions are open for nomination each year and we need your expertise.

- ▶ [Detailed Description](#)
- ▶ [Commitment](#)
- ▶ [Return on Investment](#)

# MEFACOOG

## Detailed Description

### Board Composition:

The MEFACOOG Board of Trustees will be nine members, with at least five being physician members of ACOOG. Terms shall be three years in length. The Immediate Past President of ACOOG transitions onto the MEFACOOG Board upon completion of their term as ACOOG President. The Board shall elect annually a Vice-Chair and Secretary-Treasurer. The Vice-Chair shall serve one year and automatically ascend to the position of Chair in the second year. [more](#)

# MEFACOOG

## Detailed Description, cont.

Key activities include:

- ▶ Community Service Projects-past projects include work at a youth community center in Chicago, home repairs in New Orleans for Katrina recovery effort, blood drives, and support for a residential center for women in crisis.
- ▶ Resident and Postgraduate Fellow Research Awards and Grants
- ▶ Resident Reporter Scholarships provide an opportunity for residents to attend an ACOOG conference and potential article publication
- ▶ Resident Education Resources (OMM video curriculum, L3 for Residents quarterly learning modules), Online Research Training Course
- ▶ Endowed lectureships for CME (Lifelong Learning for attending physicians)
- ▶ Support for Osteopathic Continuous Certification (Lifelong Learning, Practice Performance Improvement for attending physicians)
- ▶ Annual Golf Tournament
- ▶ Fundraising events such as the 'Evening with the Stars' at the planetarium, Cirque Du Soleil, and Monday Night Football at Cowboys Stadium

# MEFACOOG

## Commitment

The MEFACOOG Board of Trustees meets 2-3 times per year. The primary, in-person meeting of the MEFACOOG Board coincides with the ACOOG Annual Conference. Other meetings are conducted by phone or web conference.

Members of the MEFACOOG Board also formally participate in the President's Day activities during the annual conference.

# MEFACOOG

## Return on Investment

- ▶ Contributing to the future of ACOOG by supporting resident and medical student activities
- ▶ Working with engaged and outgoing individuals
- ▶ Satisfaction in helping the college to maintain an active presence in osteopathic education and advancing osteopathic identity
- ▶ Distinguished Fellow Points-5 per term (max x 1)

This is just an overview of the opportunities that exist with MEFACOOG. We welcome new leaders and new ideas! If you are interested in MEFACOOG Board of Trustees service, please forward a statement of interest and a brief bio or CV to Valerie Brennan, CAE by email to [vbrennan@acoog.org](mailto:vbrennan@acoog.org) or by fax to (817)377-0439 by *February 1, 2015*.



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# Volunteer Form

Download the volunteer form at this link

<http://www.acoog.org/web/Online/About/Committees/Committees.aspx>

Or email [vblile@acoog.org](mailto:vblile@acoog.org) directly and specify the committees you are interested in.

Interest forms are due by December 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

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