AHNS TOWN HALL

“Inaugural AHNS Annual Update”

Wednesday, December 21, 2022, 7:00 pm Eastern
President’s Report

- Continuing the partnership with Stand Up 2 Cancer and awarded first grant funding. This initiative helped launch the AHNS into a new realm of public awareness.
- Continuing implementation of the action items and deliverables from the Executive Committee Retreat, held earlier this year.
- Establishment of four working groups to identify and address topics that were discussed during the retreat:
  - Mission, Vision and Values Working Group; work completed and to be reported in DEI Division update
  - Non-Surgical Working Group; in process
  - Journal Working Group; initial phase completed, in phase 2
  - Marketing Working Group; initial phase completed and finalizing recommendation
- Continuing partnership with our international colleagues with panels during their in-person meetings
- Continuing of educational webinars to reach more of a targeted audience
- Development of the International Conference in 2023, partnering with AACR
- Development of ways to create and advance leadership opportunities within the AHNS
- Evaluation of ATC fellowship training and future options; maintaining status quo
- NEW AHNS Job Board - https://www.ahns.info/post-a-job/
AHNS Year-End Town Hall

Secretary’s Report
December 21, 2022
Reminders

- Please post and subscribe to the Blog, Heads Up! - https://www.ahns.info/category/blog/
- Look for monthly emails highlighting What’s New on the AHNS Website
❖ Cutaneous Cancer: Steven Wang and T.J. Ow

❖ Endocrine Surgery: Brendan Stack and Michael Singer

❖ Mucosal Malignancy: Lisa Shnayder and Miriam Lango

❖ Reconstructive H&N Surgery: Jeremy Richmon and Matthew Old

❖ Salivary Gland: Danny Enepekides and Kiran Kakarala

❖ Skull Base Surgery: Ian Witterick and Shirley Su
❖ What is your Section happiest about in 2022?

❖ What is your Section most hopeful about for 2023?

❖ What is the most pressing issue for your Section right now?

❖ What is the #1 item on your Section’s wish list?

❖ Common themes and action items
Happiest?

- **Cutaneous:**
  - Engagement regulars and new members

- **Endocrine:**
  - Engagement; preconference course Montreal

- **Mucosal:**
  - In–person meeting; ctDNA liquid biopsy Task Force

- **Recon:**
  - 4-part Recon ‘Round the World series; Slack Channel participation

- **Salivary:**
  - Multi-center study Adj. rad. Low grade salivary ca (25+ center, n=600)

- **Skull:**
  - Sinonasal Tumor Alliance (ARS, NASBS, AHNS)
Most Hopeful?

❖ Cutaneous:
  ☉ Engagement: Regulars and new

❖ Endocrine:
  ☉ Increase engagement of junior members

❖ Mucosal:
  ☉ Webinar development

❖ Recon:
  ☉ Increased engagement around the International Meeting

❖ Salivary:
  ☉ Preconference course in Montreal; momentum in collaborative research

❖ Skull Base:
  ☉ Increase collaboration; overlap of ARS and AHNS at COSM
Most pressing issue?

❖ Cutaneous:
  o Be at forefront of dermato-oncology

❖ Endocrine:
  o core shared database resources (e.g. REDCap)

❖ Mucosal:
  o Guidelines for Guidelines, guidance and efficiency for publications

❖ Recon:
  o Engagement of both more and less active members

❖ Salivary:
  o Engagement of current and new members; group communication, Slack Channel

❖ Skull Base:
  o Engagement
#1 on your wish list?

- **Cutaneous:**
  - More air time at national meetings for cutaneous cancer

- **Endocrine:**
  - Clarity/ease of scheduling events, proactive calendaring

- **Mucosal:**
  - Robotics group; feedback for submissions (Gap analysis); video availability

- **Recon:**
  - More feedback on submissions/selection criteria (Gap analysis)

- **Salivary:**
  - Streamline website development

- **Skull Base:**
  - Guidelines for Guidelines, clearer expectations, speedier approval
Common Themes and Action items

❖ Engagement
  • Slack channels, pathways for more and less active section members

❖ Feedback on programming
  • Gap analysis (live meeting selection criteria, virtual events, Guidelines for Guidelines)

❖ Collaboration with other entities
  • AHNS Policies on co-sponsorship and endorsement

❖ Ease of scheduling and sharing work products
  • Website, videos, calendar

❖ Longitudinal projects
  • Courses, task forces, resources
Administration Division Update

Constitution & Bylaws Service – Frank Civantos
Development Service – Maie St. John, Bill Lydiatt
Ethics & Professionalism Service – Andrew Shuman, Alexander Langerman
History Service – Melonie Nance, Joseph Goodman
Finance Service – Mark Zafereo
Nominating Service – Bert O’Malley
Publications & Awards Service – Miriam Lango, Antoine Eskander
Website & Social Media Service – Arvind Badhey, Baran Sumer

– Gregory Randolph and Cecelia Schmalbach
✓ Also IAS New 9 regions designated
✓ New proposed Corporate Liaison group
✓ White paper roadmap 4 types- section town halls
Moral Injury project Andy Shuman

Key Milestones for Program Development

1.) Identifying SPSC volunteers (Nov-Dec 2022)
   - 5 individuals identified and committed (Shuman, Langerman, Colaianni, Chen, Kakawala).

2.) Training volunteers (Jan-Feb 2022)
   - 2.5 hour interactive Zoom training through Dr. Shapiro’s peer support program

3.) Raising awareness (Feb-July 2022)
   - AHNS email blitz; web-based materials; advertising/media presence at AHNS meeting

4.) Tracking utilization (Ongoing)
   - Pilot phase will last during calendar year 2023 with plans to formally reassess thereafter

While the content of the conversations between peer support volunteers and the surgeons who use it would remain confidential (unless the SPSC felt the surgeon was at imminent risk of self-harm or harm to others), tracking deidentified metrics such as number of requests, number of interactions/duration of interactions between counselor and surgeon, and basic topics covered would help us to promote a culture of continuous improvement within this project.

Budgetary needs

$5000 for initial training session and all related materials for onboarding and launch ($2500 in year two; $1000 per year thereafter)

Other needs

Administrative support from AHNS
- Keeping an up-to-date list of volunteer peer counselors
- Organizing annual counselor training
- Connecting requestors to peers
- Publicizing the program
- Tracking utilization of the program

Web design and maintenance
- to build and maintain a simple online portal ideally on the AHNS website.

ANHS annual meeting fee waiver for SPSC (estimated 6 per annum)
AHNS white paper initiative
Multiple parts to this initiative. Overall and over time 3 main domains of work.

1—the people: Assembling Guideline Service Advisory Board (GSAB) –to evolve the current volunteer group into a methodologic group with skills to accomplish what the AHNS in the modern era of high-level evidence-based clinical consensus statements (CSS) and clinical practice guidelines (CPG). AHNS wide email blast sent by AHNS to elicit those with significant proven methodologic expertise resulted in 19 submissions 17 of which are superb.
These plus national leaders [Jen Shin, Lisa Ishman, Jon Irish, Seth Swartz, Louise Davies]. The existing guideline service would serve to complement this leadership GSAB group.
2- **Budget** white paper initiative budget draft considerations:

1- **methodological expertise** per CSS and/or CPG. Methodological resources include individual who will provide: 1- evidence-based literature searches, 2- GRADE Recommendation methodology, creation, and formatting, 3- Metanalyses, 4- generally uphold IOM guidelines standards.

   1-Roger Chou,
   2-JP Brito Mayo methods expert,
   3- [https://www.effectiveevidence.org/](https://www.effectiveevidence.org/),
   4- [https://systematicreview.info/the-team/](https://systematicreview.info/the-team/),
   5- [https://picoportal.org/2022/08/06/PPP/](https://picoportal.org/2022/08/06/PPP/),
   6- Mohammed Toseef,
   7- Ansari Abou-Setta

2- **GSAB may consider purchasing of BRIDGE-Wiz**, Yale Center for Medical Informatics¹¹. application for creation of Key action statements drafting as the AAOHNS does.

3- **GSAB training**—providing resources to allow selected/rotating members of the AHNS GSAB to methodological training-planting seeds for the future. Training opportunities include:

   1-Next G-I-N meeting is in Toronto, CA Sept 22-24, [https://g-i-n.net/](https://g-i-n.net/), [https://g-i-n.net/get-involved/resources/](https://g-i-n.net/get-involved/resources/)
   2- INGUIDE may be a useful resource to you and they are offering courses at GIN, see: [https://inguide.org/](https://inguide.org/)
   3- Attending Cochrane Review meetings
### 3. The Plan

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<td>1.) Objective</td>
<td>To present an up-to-date review of a general important topic at large of interest to clinical surgery/medicine in a scholarly, thoughtful, and well-referenced thorough and evidence-based way. Focus on the current understanding of the physiology of the disease or condition and a discussion update on diagnostic and treatment issues. References should be contemporary (within 5 years) and/or classics (highly cited).</td>
<td>To present key opinions on central focused topics within the field in a scholarly, thoughtful, and well-referenced. Approach should be systematic and utilize evidence-based methodology. Discussion of controversies/opposing views of diagnosis/treatment.</td>
<td>To quantitatively assess whether there is a formal agreement regarding proposed statements about diagnosis, management, complications, and/or treatment¹. More applicable to situations where published evidence is limited or lacking as compared to a CPG and yet there are opportunities to reduce uncertainty and improve care.</td>
<td>To provide recommendations for action or avoidance of action to support evidence based practice arising from a strong, high level of evidence data². The CPG is quality driven, evidence based, efficient in process, transparent in its methodology, with rigorous COI processes, actionable and multidisciplinary.</td>
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1- first vet this table with first the journals (JAMAOTO, Head and Neck, others) to make sure they agree with the basic parameters as they will be accepting these for peer review.

2–Once okayed by the journals then we can introduce through Townhall meetings these categories and their definitions to the AHNS sections.
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Division

Amy Y. Chen
Melonie Nance
• Updated **Mission**
  
The mission of AHNS is to advance education, research, quality of care, and equity for the head and neck oncology patient and care team.

• Updated **Values**
  
  - Excellence
  - Innovation
  - Inclusion
  - Community

• **Approved by EC; await formal approval by By-Laws Service**
Services

- Diversity
- Global Outreach
- International Advisory
- Membership and Credentials
- Women in HNS
- Young members
Ongoing activities

- Webinars
- Mentorship program
- Myers’ Summer Fellowship
- Butler Award
New activities

- Eddie Mendez Fellowship Award
- IAS International Fellows and Young Physicians Group
- Job Board is up
- Removal of FACS requirement for Active AHNS Fellow
- Improved upgrade from TRAINEE to ACTIVE fellow functionality
- AHNS Young Members Corner Podcast: 2 are up
- AHNS Fellows project: exploratory analysis of AHNS fellows’ perspectives of the training program
- Moral Injury peer support program
- Treatment disparities exploration
Diversity Service

- Myers’ Summer Fellowship for 2023
- Eddie Mendez Fellowship Award
Global Outreach Service

- Successful **webinar** with international colleagues in Africa/Haiti earlier this year
- AHNS participation in regularly scheduled African tumor boards
- Goals for coming months:
  - Additional webinars addressing global topics
  - Travel award for international physician to Montreal, 2023
  - Leverage international meeting to publicize and discuss topics of international relevance.
International Advisory Service

• Council approved **re-engineering** of IAS to make it more responsive and more effective relating to global issues
• International Regional Directors and N American Vice-Regional Directors have been appointed representing each of 10 global regions
• **IAS International Fellows and Young Physicians Group**
  - Under development
  - Initial meeting demonstrated interest and promise
Membership and Credentials Service

- **JOB BOARD** is UP!

- Current Membership = 1,836
  - 1,589 U.S./Canada members
  - 248 members outside of U.S./Canada

- Membership Projects Completed in 2022
  - Removal of FACS requirement for Active Fellow category
  - Improved *Upgrade from Resident to Active* form functionality
  - Launched new category for Medical Students
Women in HNS

- **Margaret Butler Award**: nominations/applications are OPEN
- **Mentorship program**: active again this year
- **International Meeting 2023 Panel Submission** (with Diversity Service)
  Challenges and Opportunities in Addressing Underrepresented Surgeons: From Fairness to Effectiveness
  (Drs. Gina Jefferson, Trinitia Cannon, Rodney Taylor, Scott Stringer, Anna Pou, Ellie Maghami)
- **Future Projects**: Partnering other DEI groups to develop podcasts & Webinars highlighting the contributions of women leaders
Young Members

• **AHNS Podcast**, *Young Members Corner*
  2 podcasts are UP!
• **Qualitative Study** AHNS Fellows Project - Exploratory Analysis of Head and Neck Surgical Oncology Fellow Perspectives of American Head and Neck Society Fellowship Training Program
• **Practice Building**: one hour zoom webinar
Questions?

Thank you!
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Education Division

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Babak Givi, MD, MHPE, FACS
Vice-Chair
American Head & Neck Society
Advanced Training Council

AHNS Accredited Fellowships
Advanced Training in Head & Neck Oncologic and Endocrine Surgery

The AHNS Advanced Training Council oversees the Society’s accredited fellowship programs and policies. The fellowship period is one to two years, depending upon the program, with facilities for basic science research for one year in select programs. Training is focused on head and neck surgery with special emphasis on ablative surgery, along with reconstructive, skull base surgery, and understanding of chemotherapy and radiation therapy. A majority of the fellows who have completed training programs now practice head and neck surgery in an academic setting.

Accreditation: Each fellowship program approved by the AHNS Advanced Training Council (ATC) undergoes site review at regular intervals. During these reviews, through a carefully structured evaluation system, the ATC analyzes the program’s strengths and weaknesses to ensure that adherence to the core curriculum, adequate faculty participation, caseload, and overall quality are all maintained. ATC then makes recommendations for accreditation to the AHNS Executive Council. A certificate is awarded by the Society to those candidates who follow the rigid criteria and successfully complete the fellowship.
Head & Neck Surgery Fellowship

Different types of fellowships:

✓ Clinical HNS experience
  • Expected to achieve a level of excellence in patient care, and surgical technique. Emphasis is placed on the multidisciplinary approach for the management of head and neck cancer and organization of ambulatory and inpatient services.

✓ Not all fellowships are alike
  • Many incorporate training in microvascular reconstruction
  • Exposure to particular areas such as cranial base surgery, transoral robotic surgery, head and neck endocrine surgery, etc, may be emphasized based on individual program resources
  • Many fellowships offer opportunities for clinical trials research and development with some offering dedicated research years

✓ Head and Neck Endocrine Fellowships
  • Dedicated training in advanced and cutting edge clinical and surgical techniques in head and neck endocrine surgery and clinical care
Head & Neck Surgery Fellowship

MISSION

• AHNS approved fellowships are designed to meet the educational requirements of trainees who are committed to an academic career in head and neck surgical oncology.

• Their fundamental purpose is to provide comprehensive training for evaluating and treating patients with head and neck cancer, including focused surgical training in extirpative and reconstructive surgical techniques and multidisciplinary clinical decision making inclusive of clinical trial considerations.

• The trainee must acquire important relevant knowledge in other disciplines such as radiation oncology, chemotherapy including targeted therapies and immunotherapies, rehabilitation, surgical pathology, and nutrition.

Through this broad comprehensive training the candidate should be capable of contributing forward and developing other programs in head and neck surgical oncology.
Where are the HNS Fellowships?

- 51 Programs
- 66 Fellowships

AdventHealth
Augusta University – Endocrine
Case Western Reserve/University Hospitals/Cleveland Medical Center
Cleveland Clinic
Emory University School of Medicine
Emory University School of Medicine – Endocrine
Fox Chase Cancer Center/Temple University
Henry Ford Health-Henry Ford Hospital Head & Neck Microvascular Surgery
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
Indiana University School of Medicine
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine – Endocrine
Loma Linda University – Newly Accredited – program page coming soon
M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
Massachusetts Eye & Ear/Harvard Medical School
Massachusetts Eye & Ear/Harvard Medical School – Endocrine
Medical University of South Carolina
Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
Moffitt Cancer Center
Mount Sinai Beth Israel
Nebraska Methodist Hospital
New York University Langone Health
Northwestern University
The Ohio State University
Oregon Health and Science University
Pennsylvania State University
Roswell Park Cancer Institute
Stanford University School of Medicine
Stanford University School of Medicine – Endocrine
Thomas Jefferson University
University of Alabama- Birmingham
University of Alberta Hospital
University of California – Davis
University of California – San Francisco
University of Cincinnati Medical Center
University of Florida
University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics
University of Kansas Medical Center
University of Miami Hospital and Clinics
University of Michigan
University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill
University of Oklahoma
University of Pennsylvania Health System
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center
University of Toronto
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin
Vanderbilt University Medical Center
Washington University School of Medicine
Wayne State University
### Advanced Training Council – Match Results

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Advanced Training Council

- University of Arkansas (new program) site visit completed, pending ATC review
- Six new program directors approved
- Introductory Fellows forum call completed
- First Program Directors forum call of FY2022 completed
- New initiative launching with International Advisory Board for AHNS International Fellows and Young Physician Group
- New Programs Accredited
  - Loma Linda University
- Programs Re-Accredited since last meeting:
  - Cleveland Clinic
  - Stanford University – Endocrine Fellowship
  - University of Wisconsin
  - Case Western/University Hospitals/Cleveland Med Center
  - Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
  - University of California – San Francisco
## Advanced Training Council – Site Visits

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## Advanced Training Council – Subcertification Survey

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<th>How long have you been in practice?</th>
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CME

- Webinars
- Scientific Program
Webinars

AHNS ACTIVITY PLANNING WORKSHEET 2022

ACTIVITY NAME:
ACTIVITY PROPOSED DATE:
ACTIVITY FACULTY:
ACTIVITY FACULTY TOPICS:

1a. Describe the practice gap(s) that will be addressed by this activity. - Please identify the major practice gap(s) to be addressed by this activity. A practice gap is the difference between actual and ideal performance. Include how we know that the learners have this gap (evaluation results, published literature, expert opinion, etc). (100 words max)

2. What do attendees need in order to close these gaps? - Describe what might be provided to the learners, educationally, that would help them improve their knowledge, competence and/or performance. (100 words max)

3. Based on the desired results of the activity, what are the objectives of the activity? Wite your objectives focusing on what the learners will do as a result of this activity. Do not use "understand." Use ACTION words like:
- Analyze
- Classify
- Convey
- Emphasize
- Generate
- Infer
- Organize
- Prioritize
- Relate
- Assess
- Compare
- Create
earn
- Employ
- Identify
- Integrate
- Plan
- Produce
- Select
- Appraise
- Categorize
- Conduct
- Demonstrate
- Differentiate
- Evaluate
- Illustrate
- Interpret
- Predict
- Recognize
- Solve
- Arrange
- Choose
- Construct
- Develop
- Discriminate
- Formulate
- Implement
- Manage
- Prepare
- Recommend
- Use

At the conclusion of the activity, participants will be able to:

4. How will you use this educational delivery method to achieve the desired results/objectives? (25 words max)

5. What ABMS/MOC competency or competencies are related? Are there other competencies related (IOM, ACGME, etc)? Check all that are related.
- Patient Care - Provide care that is compassionate, appropriate and effective treatment for health problems and to promote health.
- Medical Knowledge - Demonstrate knowledge about established and evolving biomedical, clinical and cognitive sciences and their application in patient care.
- Interpersonal and Communication Skills - Demonstrate skills that result in effective information exchange and teaming with patients, their families and professional associates (e.g., fostering a therapeutic relationship that is ethically sounds, uses effective listening skills with non-verbal and verbal communication; working as both a team member and at times as a leader).
- Professionalism - Demonstrate a commitment to carrying out professional responsibilities, adherence to ethical principles and sensitivity to diverse patient populations.
- Systems-based Practice - Demonstrate awareness of and responsibility to larger context and systems of healthcare. Be able to call on system resources to provide optimal care (e.g., coordinating care across sites or serving as the primary case manager when case involves multiple specialties, professions or sites).
- Practice-based Learning and Improvement - Able to investigate and evaluate their patient care practices, appraise and assimilate scientific evidence and improve their practice of medicine.
- Other:
# Webinars

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CME

• AHNS 2023 International Meeting

• CME Service reviewed disclosures for all of individuals involved in the meeting as needed: Planning Committee, Program Committee, International Scientific Review Committee.

• Currently reviewing abstract presenter disclosures and faculty disclosures
Welcoming Back the World: Striving for Innovation, Quality, Compassion, and Collegiality

AHNS 11TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HEAD & NECK CANCER
THE PALAIS DES CONGRÈS, MONTREAL | QC CANADA
JULY 8-12 2023

MEETING LEADERSHIP
President: Brian Burkey, MD, MEd | Conference Chair: Eben Rosenthal, MD | Program Chair: Daniel Deschler, MD
Proffered Papers Chair: Maie St. John, MD, PhD | Poster Chair: Carole Fakhry, MD, MPH

For more info go to https://www.ahns.info/meetings/
Meeting overview

**Special Saturday Courses:** APP Track, Robotic course, Salivary and Endocrine Course

**Also:** Vendor presentations and Shark Tank

**Invited speakers:**
- Conley Lecture – **Timothy Chan**
- Global Medicine Keynote – **Anil D’Cruz**
- Chris O’Brien Lecture – **Hisham Mehanna**
- Keynote – **Rebecca Richards-Kortum**
- Hayes Martine Lecture – **Theodoros Teknos**
AHNS International Abstract Deadline - December 2, 2022

AACR-AHNS Head and Neck Cancer Conference: Innovating through Basic, Clinical, and Translational Research
July 7-8, 2023 | Palais des congrès de Montréal | Montréal, Canada

AACR-AHNS Conference Cochairs:
Joseph A. Califano, UC San Diego, San Diego, CA
Maura L. Gillison, UT MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX
Sana D. Karam, University of Colorado Denver, Denver, CO
Jose P. Zevallos, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA
AHNS Endorsed Publications

- White paper
- Contemporary review
- Position paper
- Clinical management consensus statement
- Practice guideline

- Identification of topic by Clinical Section or AHNS members
- Propose idea
- Education Division votes to approve
- Formal process guidelines
Patient Care Division
Cancer Prevention Service
Mike Moore, Ann Gillenwater, Andrew Holcomb

July 2022: Webinar with Survivorship Service entitled HPV-related oropharyngeal cancer: the importance of early detection and prevention.

Head and Neck Cancer Self-exam smartphone app completed

HPV Vaccination Roundtable of the American Cancer Society

Leukoplakia Survey

January 2023: Partner with AMWA Global Initiative Against HPV and Cervical Cancer HPV Awareness week

AHNS Community Service Awards Application opens 2/23

Work with Head and Neck Cancer Alliance Oral Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week April 11-17
HAT tip Greg Randolph

Augmentation of Service w add't'l methodological experts
Refinement of process akin to ATA Budget
Contemporary standards
Working w journals to coordinate classification of white papers

Patient Care Division

- Practice Guidelines and Position Statements Service
  - Baran Sumer and Ted Gomez

Multiple submissions from Services and Sections
- Oral Cavity Cancer Surgical Nodal Management - Mucosal Malignancy
- Margins in Early Stage Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma - Mucosal Malignancy
- Radiofrequency Ablation - Endocrine
- Mutational Testing in Thyroid Cancer - Endocrine
- Parathyroid Identification and Vascular Assessment in Thyroid Surgery - Endocrine
Survivorship, Supportive Care and Rehabilitation Service
Nishant Agrawal, Heather Starmer

Survivorship Symposium
- Overall Registrants: 840/Attendance: 503
- Nutrition, Swallowing & Feeding Tube Challenges - 296
- Head and Neck Cancer: The Importance of Comprehensive Rehabilitation - 282
- Head and Neck Cancer: Survivorship and Aging - 258
- Financial Burden of Head and Neck Cancer - 160
- Managing Stress and Anxiety - 168
- Dental Care During and Following Treatment - 159

Attendee Survey Feedback
98.6% Indicated that the Symposium was beneficial

2023 Survivorship Webinars
1. Managing and Sharing Your Head and Neck Cancer Diagnosis with Loved Ones – January 18
2. Head and Neck Cancer Clinical Trials -- March
3. Oral Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week/Oral Cancer Awareness Month -- Newly-diagnosed patients -- April
4. Open Forum around a particular topic or particular type of HNC (ACC, HPV+, non-HPV, etc.) -- June
5. Caregiver Needs – August
6. Open forum around a particular topic or particular type of HNC (ACC, HPV+, non-HPV, etc. – December
7. Link to all of the AHNS/HNCA webinars: https://www.headandneck.org/survivorship-webinars/

Third Annual Head and Neck Cancer Survivorship Symposium – October (partnership with HNCA)
2022 AHNS Community Service Award Winners

April Peterson, Nashville, TN – identifying and creating pathways through the existing barriers to head and neck cancer care for the incarcerated.

Carissa Thomas, Birmingham, AL – “Expressions of the Head & Neck Cancer Journey”: A Visual Art Experience for Head & Neck Oncology Patients


Zachary Urdang, Philadelphia, PA – Impact cancer burden: Health communication intervention at community level

Emily Karp, Rochester, MN – Mayo Clinic partnering with Community Health Service Inc. (CHSI) in Rochester to promote awareness and prevention of HNC in the CHSI community through HNC education and screening events.
Value and Quality of Care Service
Vasu Divi, Evan Graboyes

- Launched national quality improvement initiative to address adjuvant radiation start times
- ~45 sites
- Data collection began July 2022 to establish baseline and identify reasons for delays
- Including training for participants on QI methodology

Nov – Dec 2022  Current state analysis and identification of key drivers
Jan 2023 – Mar 2023 Intervention planning and early implementation
April – June 2023  Further implementation/iteration, sustain planning
July 2023 Wrap up and discussion @ AHNS Meeting
Ongoing  Post-intervention data collection
The goal of the Division of Research shall be to be the leader in the promotion of head and neck cancer research.

The objectives of the Division of Research shall be to: support training and career enhancement grants; facilitate collaborative research through Society-supported research initiatives; and manage the future direction and role of the Society regarding outcomes, quality measures, practice guidelines and consensus statements.

The Division of Research shall oversee all research activities of the Society, including grants programs, scientific review, and research awards.

Population Health and Clinical Research Service  Chair, Barry Wenig, MD. Vice-Chair, Joseph Curry, MD,

Basic Science and Translational Research Service  Chair: Jeffrey Liu, MD.  Vice-Chair: Sufi Thomas, PhD

Grant Service  Chair: Jose Zevallos, MD.  Vice-Chair: Steve Chinn, M
Research Division

Chair: James Rocco MD, PhD.
Co-Chair: Dell Yarbrough MD

AHNS Grant Review Process through CORE. This year, the Centralized Otolaryngology Research Efforts (CORE) Study Section received 160 applications with a total of 53 reviewers requested. The AHNS received 38 applications and 13 reviewers were requested and provided by the Research Committee. The CORE Study Section (CSS) offered a total of 24 grant opportunities totaling over $615,000 in funding.

AHNS Retreat Topic for Research Committee – GRANTS (Jim Rocco, MD, PhD, Cherie-Ann Nathan, MD, Dennis Kraus, MD)

• ACTION ITEM: Review the finances and foundation financial report to determine if research funding can be increased and risk minimized. Done

• ACTION ITEM: Increasing the amount of the research awards. - Jim Rocco will do an inflationary index.
  TIMELINE: The inflationary index is complete. The Foundation and Exec will take into consideration. One of the goals of this action item is to increase surgeon scientist support. Done

• RESULT:
  AHNS/AAO-HNSF Young Investigator Combined Award ($10,000 to $20,000*)
  AHNS/AAO-HNSF Translational Innovator Award (20,000 to $40,000*)
  AHNS Pilot Grant ($10,000 to $20,000)
  AHNS Ballantyne Resident Research Pilot Grant ($10,000 to $20,000)
  *Ideally to be matched by AAO-HNSF – presented to AAO-HNSF leadership, they declined
Population Health and Clinical Research

Chair: Barry Wenig, MD.
Vice-Chair: Joseph Curry, MD

• Recently completed:
  • AHNS Webinar on Immunotherapy Clinical Trials in HNSCC in October
  • Panel on Clinical Trials in Head and Neck Surgery for AAO 2022
• 3 infographics designed and posted on AHNS Social Media this year
  • 3 more currently under review
• Upcoming Webinar on Population health:
  • Challenges and Inequities in Head and Neck Cancer Research
  • Another proposal in process currently
• Panel for AHNS 2023 accepted on Immunotherapy in Head and Neck Clinical Trials and Research
• Collaborative multidisciplinary study on impact of COVID in HNSCC project in process:
  • Collected data from 6 institutions
- Infographic on circulating tumor DNA was posted on twitter #AHNSSBST

- Second infographic is complete with two more in development

- Planning to meet/science for AHNS/AACR and AHNS 2023 Montreal.
AHNS Survey Service

Incoming Chair: John De Almeida MD  
Outgoing Chair: Jeffrey Liu MD

- AHNS Survey reviews have now been incorporated into the Research Division.
- New Chair is John De Almeida.
- There will be solicitation to sections/divisions for reviewers to help with surveys. Volunteer reviewers are appreciated!
Join AHNS - the single largest organization in North America for the advancement of research and education in head and neck oncology.

Benefits of AHNS membership:
- Discounted rates on meeting registration fees
- Interaction with our worldwide network of surgeons, and health care professionals dedicated to the prevention and treatment of head and neck cancer
- Access to create an AHNS member profile, that is available to the public and patient population
- Opportunities to apply for research grant awards and obtain CMEs from virtual education
- Opportunities to participate on services and in leadership positions
- Access to JAMA Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery, AHNS’ official journal
- Opportunities to enroll in head and neck specialty sections at no additional fee

Apply online: https://www.ahns.info/member-central/