

SURGICAL OUTCOMES CLUB



Quarterly Newsletter - May 2015

Surgical Outcomes Club (SOC) is a consortium of surgeons and scientists interested in advancing health services and outcomes research in surgery. SOC provides a virtual and real meeting place for investigators addressing some of the most pressing clinical and policy issues facing the surgical profession today. This quarterly newsletter is meant to be a forum through which SOC members can communicate items of interest to fellow members.

SAVE THE DATE!

2015 Annual Meeting

Sunday, October 4th
8 am – 3:00 pm (CT)
Lunch will be served

Location

Chicago, IL

Venue

Northwestern University
Robert H. Lurie Medical Research Center Building
303 E. Chicago Ave.
Chicago, IL 60611



2015 Annual Meeting Keynote Speaker

The Eleventh Annual Meeting and Scientific Session of the Surgical Outcomes Club will be held October 4, 2015 in Chicago, IL.



Jane L. Holl, MD, MPH is the Mary Harris Thompson, M, Professor of Pediatrics and Preventive Medicine at the Feinberg School of Medicine where she directs the Center for Healthcare and Medicine. Dr. Holl also is a faculty member of the MS in Healthcare Quality and Patient Safety and the MS in Health Services and Outcomes Research, is PI of an AHRQ-funded, post-doctoral and Co-PI of an AHRQ-funded, pre-doctoral,

training programs, and co-directs the Integrated Fellowship in Health Services and Outcomes Research. Dr. Holl has extensive patient safety and quality of care experience as the Medical Director and, now, Senior Advisor for Patient Safety at the Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, for over 8 years. Dr. Holl has been PI and co-PI on numerous federally-funded patient safety and healthcare quality grants.

Dr. Holl will present "Leveraging the Clinical Enterprise as a Healthcare Quality and Safety Research Laboratory".

Board of Directors Positions

The Board of Directors of the Surgical Outcomes Club will be soliciting nominations for individuals to fill two vacancies, including one at-large member and one resident member of the Board. Board members serve three-year terms and may be re-elected for a second term. The resident member serves a two-year term.

We appreciate your assistance in identifying individuals, including yourself, who are interested in serving the SOC membership through this leadership role. Nominations will be vetted by the SOC Board of Directors, and all active members will vote on the election of the new Board Members at the SOC Annual Meeting on Sunday, October 4.

To submit a nomination, please contact the SOC Administrator for the appropriate forms. Nominees must be an active member and confirm their willingness to serve prior to submitting the nomination.

Application Deadline: Friday, June 26th, 2015

Annual Meeting Updates

Sneak Peak at the Annual Meeting Agenda

The 2015 Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions will be held from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm on Sunday, October 4th in Chicago, Illinois at Northwestern University in the Robert H. Lurie Medical Research Center Building.

This year's meeting will include two themes: (1) research aimed at improving safety and (2) changing surgical culture. A full agenda will be posted on the SOC website.

If you plan to attend, please complete the brief registration form available through the SOC website.

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Networking Breakfast

Conference check-in begins at 8 am. We encourage all members to attend the networking breakfast before the annual meeting begins. This will give you a chance to meet new colleagues or reunite with your colleagues.

Breakfast runs from 8 am – 9 am.

Early Registration

Early Registration Deadline: August 16, 2015. After Sunday, August 16, the cost of membership dues will increase to \$100 for trainees and \$275 for physicians and non-physicians. Be sure to register early and save on your dues this year! **Remember that membership dues include the cost of registering and attending the meeting.**

Research Fellowship Program Named in Honor of Michael Zinner, MD, FACS



The Research Fellowship Program is now named in honor of Michael J. Zinner, MD, in thanks for his outstanding mentorship of the Surgical Outcomes Club.

Ten years ago, Dr. Zinner generously sponsored our first organized meeting, which led to development of bylaws and creation of a leadership committee. In our second year, Dr. Zinner again sponsored what has come to

be our annual meeting, which permitted the group to launch successfully as an independent club. The Michael Zinner Health Services Research Fellowship provides an avenue for young investigators to acquire the skills and knowledge to develop, execute and publish research studies in the field of surgical outcomes and health services research under the guidance of high quality mentors and advisors, external to their home institutions. This one-year fellowship will match awardees with an established SOC member who will provide mentoring and guidance in the completion of an outcomes research project.

Check the SOC website for additional details about the program. We encourage trainees and junior faculty to apply.

Application Deadline: Friday, May 29, 2015

AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting Special Interest Group Reception

AcademyHealth is the country's premier health services research and health policy membership organization. This year, the SOC is teaming up with Anesthesiology and Nursing health services researchers led by Lee Fleisher, MD, Chair of Anesthesiology at the University of Pennsylvania, to form a new Special Interest Group: Perioperative Care and Pain Management Interest Group.

All are welcome to attend our inaugural reception on **Saturday June 13, 2015 from 6 – 8 pm. Location TBD.**

The meeting will include a panel on speakers covering key topics which include:

- **Justin Dimick**; Innovative approaches for improving surgical quality
- **Adil Haider**; Mixing Methods and Patient Preferences to improve the ED Experience for LGBTQ individuals: The Equality Study
- **Meghan Lane-Fall**; Mixed methods analysis of handoffs and transitions in critical care
- **Jeffrey Silber**; Multivariate template matching as a means of assessing quality and value

This meeting will also facilitate the development of a network of researchers, policy leaders, and providers in the field. Light refreshments will be served and no prior registration is necessary.

Upcoming Didactic Sessions

Thursday, June 25, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. (ET)

"Is value-based care 'valuable' to the patient? The elusive association between quality measure compliance and patient-centered outcomes"



Daniel A. Barocas, MD, MPH, FACS

Assistant Professor of Urologic Surgery
Co-Director of the Center for Surgical Quality and Outcomes Research;
Vanderbilt University

Meeting information will be posted on the SOC website. If you missed a previous session, a recording is available on our website. If you are interested in presenting at a future didactic session, please contact the SOC Administrator, Ashley Gay, at agay@umich.edu

Future Didactic Session Dates for 2015:

- **Thursday, July 23** featuring **Benjamin Brooke, MD, PHD**; Assistant Professor of Surgery, Division of Vascular Surgery; Director, Utah Intervention Quality and Implementation Research; University of Utah School of Medicine

2015 Membership Dues

Membership in the SOC continues to grow and the success of our organization relies on expertise and participation from its members, including you. Payment can be made via credit card through SOC website or via check with instructions on the site

<http://www.surgicaloutcomesclub.com/members>

If you have any questions, please contact SOC Administrator, Ashley Gay (agay@umich.edu).

Follow us on Twitter

Surgical Outcomes Club is now on Twitter and welcome followers. Please follow the subsequent link and keep connected with the latest discussions and thoughts regarding Surgical Outcomes Club.

<https://twitter.com/SurgOutcomes>

New Opportunities

The opportunities page on the website is dedicated to posting of faculty positions, leadership positions, fellowship opportunities, and analyst recruitments. To post an ad on this page, please contact the SOC Administrator, Ashley Gay, at agay@umich.edu