

THE ASSOCIATION OF PATHOLOGY CHAIRS

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Governance: The APC has sections for the Chairs of LCME-accredited institutions, residency program directors (PRODS), pathology department administrators (PDAS) and course directors (for curricula for the medical school, newly established in 2005). In 2003, APC established the Research and Education Group (APCREG).

Leadership: APC's President is Dr. James Crawford. Dr. Mark Tykocinski is the President-elect and will become President in July, 2008. Dr. Robert Reddick is the Secretary-Treasurer. APC is managed in the ASIP office.

Meetings: The annual meeting is held each July. The theme varies over a three-year cycle from practice and management (the theme in 2006) to undergraduate medical education (the theme in 2007) to graduate medical education (the theme in 2008). The 2007 meeting will be in Colorado Springs, Colorado from July 18-21. In addition, regional meetings are held each year for the Northeast, Southeast, and West/Mid-West groups.

APCREG: In 2004, APCREG received 16 applications for a Medical Scholars Award to enhance innovative educational programs. Two 18-month awards of \$25,000 each were made in January, 2005 to Alain C. Borczuk, MD (Columbia University Medical Center) and to Patricia S. Latham, MD (The George Washington University). These projects were presented at the 2006 summer meeting in Colorado Springs. A new Request for Proposals will be announced in 2007.

Public Advocacy: The APC has launched a new public advocacy program and has established an ad hoc committee to regularly meet the challenges facing academic pathology departments.