



Council News

2010 SPRING / SUMMER

CREOG Education Retreat

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Plan to attend the 2010 CREOG Education Retreat, which will be held July 29-30 at the Coeur d'Alene Golf Resort in Coeur d'Alene, ID. As always, the Retreat provides resident educators nationwide the opportunity to interact with the CREOG Council and allows each to communicate on various mutual issues of interest and concern.

A quick 35-minute drive from the Spokane International Airport, the Coeur d'Alene Resort is everything you seek in a Northwest destination; a pristine lake flanked by pine-covered mountains. The Resort has seven restaurants to

fit any taste, a collection of shops on-property & in the quaint shopping village surrounding the resort. In addi-



tion, there is a wide variety of activities to fit any interest including golf, lake fishing, fly fishing, parasailing, seaplane rides, helicopter flights, horseback, mountain biking, hiking, and whitewater raft-

ing, kayaking and swimming.

Hotel Accommodations

CREOG has reserved a block of sleeping rooms for the at Coeur d'Alene Resort. We ask that you make your hotel accommodations directly with the hotel at 1- 800-688-5253. Please identify yourself as attending the CREOG Education Retreat. The "cut-off date" is June 25, 2010. Reservation requests received after the cut-off date will be based on availability.

To view the preliminary program and registration form go to <http://www.acog.org/departments/creog/20100729PrelimProgram.pdf> (Continued on page 4)

Highlights CREOG/APGP Annual Meeting

The 2010 CREOG & APGO Annual Meeting, *Practice-Based Learning: Learning from Our Experience*, was held March 3-6, 2010 at the Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek in Orlando, FL. It was well received and attracted over 900 professional educators including 144 residency coordinators. The CREOG and APGO program co-chairs,

Drs. Lee Learman and Roger Smith, along with the joint Program Committee provided an exceptional program.

As part of "going green," registrants received a searchable web-based syllabus prior to the meeting. On site registrants received the syllabus on a flash drive as well as a highlighted program booklet. In

addition, an online meeting evaluation survey went out directly following the meeting.

The Program Committee selected 40 abstracts for oral presentation, and 94 abstracts for poster presentation. Oral presentations were put in thematic groups to assist participants make their selections.

PICTURES FROM
CREOG/APGO
ANNUAL MEETING



Highlights CREOG/APGO (continued)

Awards were given for the best paper submitted by a resident or student in the category of educational research, a part time volunteer faculty, and three prizes in general research/statistics. Awards were also given to the three best poster presentations.

Oral Abstract Awards

First Prize

Teaching Subcuticular Suturing to Medical Students: Use of a Video vs. Expert Instructor Feedback

Stuart H. Shippey, MD

Second Prize

Retention of Entry-Level Faculty in Obstetrics and Gynecology

William F. Rayburn, MD, MBA

Third Prize (two winners)

A Pilot Study Assessing a Novel Method of Evaluating the Competencies of Medical Knowledge and Patient Care in Ob-Gyn Residency

Joseph E. Patruno, MD

Faculty Development through Creation of a PGY1 Boot Camp Clerkship Curriculum

Heather Z. Sankey, MD

Award to Student/Resident for Excellence in Educational Research

A Novel Approach to Teaching Placement of B-Lynch Suture

Christopher P. Wayock, MD (Resident)

Poster Awards

First Prize

Developing a Workshop on Research Design for Clinical Fellows

Kristen A. Matteson, MD, MPH

Second Prize (two winners)

A CREOG Exam Virtual Study Group Using a Wiki Website

Matthew T. Allswede, MD

Influence of Laparoscopic Simulation Practice on Cognitive Visual-Spatial Testing

Breton F. Barrier, MD

Third Prize (two winners)

A Standardized Letter of Recommendation in Obstetrics & Gynecology

Peter S. Marcus, MD

A Comprehensive Method to Train Residents in Robotic Hysterectomy Techniques

Sarah Silver (Medical Student)

CREOG Council and Committee Announcements

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The Education Committee has four projects in development. The Committee is developing online modules. The first, Patient Safety, will use a similar format to the MOC modules, with the learning tools more robust. The Committee plans to have 10 modules available by the CREOG July Education Retreat. Other topics planned are on: how you teach basic surgical skills; simulations-curriculum dealing with how people can do things in their own institution; and two new businesses of medicine modules, including "Time Saving Tips for Office Practice." The Committee has also taken on the task of re-organize information on the CREOG Webpage for easier access. Continuing its popularity with residents is CREOG's Quiz series. Currently, there are 200 quiz items.

A total of 5700 examinees took the 2010 CREOG In-Training Examination on January 21-23, 2010. Answer sheets were processed the week of January 26, and the item analysis was sent to the chairs for review on January 29. The item analysis identified 80 questions for review, of which 15 were deleted from scoring for a final exam total of 322 questions. Scrutiny analysis was conducted for all programs.

During its recent Council meeting CREOG announcements were made. Dr. James Ferguson was re-appointed for another three year term as the AGOS representative to CREOG. Dr. John Gianopoulos will succeed Dr. Susan M. Cox as the APGO representative to the CREOG Council. Raeka Talati, MD, a resident at New York Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Centre is the new resident representative to the Council.



Dr. Talati, a Junior Fellow in the in District II, attended Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine medical school, and completed residency at New York Presbyterian –Weill Cornell. She is currently a third year resident at New York Presbyterian –Weill Cornell.

Dr. J. Chris Carey will succeed Dr. Jessica Bienstock as Chair of the CREOG Education Committee. New members of the Committee are: Drs. Kimberly A. Cheatham, Shelly W. Holmstrom, David A. Miller, Anthony C. Sciscione, and Hindi E. Stohl.

Dr. Cheatham received her medical degree at the University of Alabama and completed her residency at the University of Florida-Gainesville. She is assistant Professor and Clerkship Director at the University of Oklahoma-Tulsa. Dr. Cheatham is also Medical Director for Margaret Hudson School, an alternative school for pregnant teens and young mothers.

Dr. Holmstrom is assistant professor, department of ob-gyn at the University of South Florida, Tampa Florida. David A. Miller is Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Pediatrics Chief, Division of Maternal Fetal Medicine, and Director, CHLA-USC Institute for Maternal Fetal Health, University of Southern California in Los Angeles. Anthony C. Sciscione is Professor, and Program Director, Department of Ob-Gyn at Christiana Care Health System in Newark Delaware.

Dr. Hindi E. Stohl received her medical degree at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, and completed her residency at Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions. She is a Fellow in Maternal-Fetal Medicine.

All Council and Committee appointments took effect at the end of the 2010 ACOG Annual Clinical Meeting in May.



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Resort golf course
is one of America's
premier golf
experiences with
the world's only
floating moveable
golf green*

2010 Education Retreat (continued)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Transportation Information to Coeur d'Alene Resort Coeur d'Alene Resort 115 S. 2nd Street □ Coeur d'Alene, ID

The nearest airport is Spokane Airport (GEG) – Spokane, WA Shuttle Service to/from hotel is the Coeur d'Alene Shuttle, \$59/round trip (per person); \$45/one-way (per person). To make reservations, call 1 (800) 688-5253, the trip is approximately 45 minutes. There is no website to make reservations online, you must call.

You may schedule your reservation 24-hours in advance or 10 days before your arrival date. They will not accept reservations earlier than 10 days prior to your arrival date. (The cost of the shuttle service will be applied as part of your hotel bill).

When you call to reserve the shuttle, they will need the following information:

- Reservation confirmation number
- Flight Itinerary

Taxi fare from/to airport to the hotel is approximately \$100.00 and is about a 45-55 minute ride. If you are renting a car and staying at the Coeur d'Alene Resort, you will receive a discount of \$15/a day.

ACCME Accreditation

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)TM

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists designates this educational activity for a maximum of 11 AMA PRA Category 1 CreditsTM. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

College Cognate Credit(s)

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists designates this educational activity for a maximum of 11 Category 1 College Cognate Credits. The College has a reciprocity agreement with the AMA that allows AMA PRA Category 1 CreditsTM to be equivalent to College Cognate Credits.

The breakdown of the number of credits for each day of the meeting is as follows: (Thursday, July 29 = 6 credits and Friday, July 30 = 5 credits)

Disclosure of Faculty and Industry Relationships

In accordance with College policy, all faculty members have signed a conflict of interest statement in which they have disclosed any significant financial interests or other relationships with industry relative to topics they will discuss at this program. At the beginning of the program, faculty members are expected to disclose any such information to participants. Such disclosure allows you to evaluate better the objectivity of the information presented in lectures. Please report on your evaluation form any undisclosed conflict of interest you perceive. Thank you!

2011 CREOG/APGO Annual Meeting

Call for Abstracts & Breakouts 2011 CREOG and APGO Annual Meeting

The Council on Resident Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology (CREOG) and the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO) extends an invitation to faculty, residents and medical students to submit an abstract for the 2011 CREOG & APGO Annual Meeting's oral and poster presentation sessions.

The meeting entitled, "**Professionalism: The Profession of Teaching, Teaching the Profession**" will be held on **March 9-12, 2011** at the [JW Marriot San Antonio Hill Country](#), in San Antonio, Texas.

Submitted research and descriptive studies should demonstrate original educational research; however, clinical outcome studies are not appropriate for this education-based meeting. Descriptions of innovative methods for teaching women's health competencies to residents and medical students are welcome. As always, monetary awards will be given in several categories.

Abstracts can **only** be submitted online, via this **2011 Call for Abstracts** site on the [CREOG Web page](#).

Call for Breakout Session Presentations

This year for the first time, the Program Committee is formally soliciting submissions for breakout sessions for the 2011 CREOG & APGO Annual Meeting titled, **Professionalism: The Profession of Teaching, Teaching the Profession.** A limited number of breakout sessions are held throughout the meeting and are 1 hour in length. The CREOG and APGO Annual Meeting features breakout sessions to facilitate an exchange of ideas and educational strategies among participants. Submissions are especially welcomed on topics of broad interest across the spectrum of medical education.

Breakout sessions should begin with a **brief presentation**, by two to three persons, to provide background and stimulate comments and questions. Time for **group discussion** is essential. We strongly encourage representation from more than one institution. Single institution breakouts are more likely to be selected if they include faculty from both the medical student and resident education programs.

Breakout session proposals are peer-reviewed by members of the CREOG and APGO Program Committee. The highest rated proposals are selected based on providing a broad range of topics and presenters. Preference is given to proposals aligned with the theme of the CREOG/APGO meeting, and proposals addressing timely issues in ob-gyn education.

Breakout proposals must be submitted online at <http://www.acog.org/creog-breakout/> by August 30, 2010, and should comprise no more than 2-3 pages.

2011 CREOG Leadership Workshops for Residents

CREOG is again pleased to offer three resident leadership workshops in 2010. The purpose of this program is to equip senior residents with the knowledge and skills necessary to serve as leaders and exemplary teachers for the residents and medical students for whom they are responsible. It is expected that by the end of the program participants will have learned general principles of leadership and education, as well as specific tips for immediate practice and application. In past years, some residency programs have sent all their senior-residents-to-be, some two or three, and others their administrative chief residents' designee. What matters most is participation to some degree by all programs in the country. This two and one-half day program is offered at three sites Chicago, IL (April 15-17, 2011), Philadelphia, PA (April 29-May 1, 2011) and Pasadena, CA (May 20-22, 2011). A brochure and registration form will be available this summer.

CREOG Resident Database Survey

The CREOG Resident Database Survey is now available online for you to update residency program information. Please be sure to read thoroughly and follow the instructions provided. Programs must complete the Survey by July 15, 2010.

The CREOG Database has automatically advanced each resident. Please verify all information, including that of the program director and residency coordinator. If you need to change information that is already printed, please click on the change button at the right of the form, and make your necessary changes. There is an "add" button on the bottom of the page for new residents.

The survey allows you to make and save changes before you send the completed survey to CREOG. If you feel you may have additional changes to the survey, you can save and exit the system before submitting to CREOG. Once you have made all your changes, press the "complete" button to the right of the program director's information. Please print a copy of the survey for your records. Remember, once the completed button is pressed, you cannot go back to the survey. The survey must be submitted by July 15, 2010.

To access CREOG's web page, point your Internet browser to <http://www.acog.org/creog>. You will be asked to supply your Program Number, ACGME/Canadian ID, and password.

The CREOG "Activity Fee" discount program will be continued this year. In the past academic year, 88% of the residency programs subscribed to this service. **Program Directors must accept or reject this service by July 15, 2010. Payment is due by August 1.**

Dates to Remember

2010

July 29-30, 2010

CREOG Education Retreat

Coeur d'Alene, ID

July 30-31, 2010

CREOG 11th Term School for Program

Directors Part 2

Coeur d'Alene, ID

2011

January 20-22, 2011

CREOG In-Training Examination

Various Sites

March 9-12, 2011

CREOG & APGO Annual Meeting

JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country

San Antonio, TX

April 15-17

CREOG Resident Workshop

Fairmont Hotel

Chicago, IL

April 29-May 1

CREOG Resident Workshop

Radisson Plaza Warwick Hotel

Philadelphia, PA

May 20-22

CREOG Resident Workshop

Langham Hotel

Pasadena, CA

July 28-29, 2011

CREOG Education Retreat

Langham Hotel

Pasadena, CA

2012

March 7-10, 2012

CREOG & APGO Annual Meeting

Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek

Orlando, FL