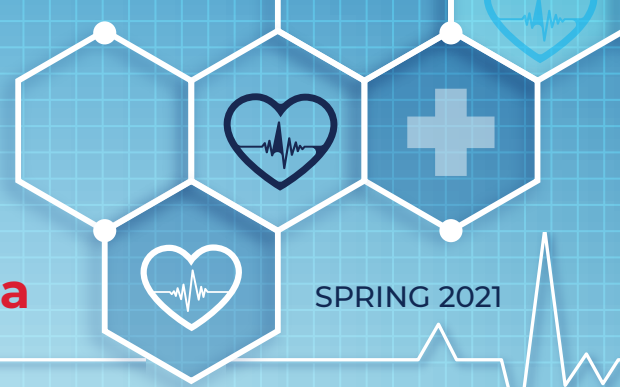


WICTA

Women in Cardiothoracic Anesthesia



SPRING 2021



DR. DARYL OAKES

MESSAGE

From Our Chair & Co-Chair



DR. BOLA FALOYE

Dear WICTA members,

The last year was one of extraordinary challenges. The coronavirus pandemic has impacted every part of our lives, presenting new stresses to us as individuals and professionals. Simultaneously, our social fabric's long-standing inequities have been exacerbated and highlighted by the socio-economic and health impacts of this disease. Essential discussions of racial and gender equity have again been brought to the forefront.

With the recent approval and dissemination of several efficacious vaccines against COVID-19, we are hopeful that an end to this deadly pandemic is finally in sight. However, the racial, ethnic, and gender disparities that this moment has again exposed still require our attention and proactive efforts to address.

This year will be the 3rd anniversary of WICTA. Despite the challenges of this past year, WICTA has continued in its mission to ensure excellence in the quality of patient care through promoting a diverse, inclusive, and equitable professional community in our specialty. We are thrilled to see more women stepping into prominent leadership roles within the SCA, thereby increasing diversity throughout the society. We continue to encourage, develop, promote, mentor, and sponsor women and underrepresented

minorities to navigate the pipeline successfully.

Last year, WICTA launched its Speaker database – a repository of qualified, diverse speakers, which serves as an outstanding resource to conference and event organizers seeking speakers. We encourage you to explore this opportunity and add yourself to the database [Here](#). We are proud to kick off the second year of our professional development mentoring program. WICTA is sponsoring a clinical research mentoring program to build successful grant applicants. Also, we are kicking off a regular series of Happy Hour events to provide a networking and engagement forum for our members; please be on the lookout for those emails.

We will soon be seeking nominations for new contributors to our Executive Board. Please look out for future emails soliciting nominations for WICTA board positions, and consider getting involved. Please feel free to reach out to us at WICTA@scahq.org with any ideas you would like to see WICTA pursue.

We look forward to collaborating this year to create more outstanding programs and opportunities for WICTA members!

With warmth,

Daryl and Bola

WICTA MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the SCA Women in Cardiothoracic Anesthesia Special Interest Group (WICTA SIG) is to ensure excellence in quality of patient care through promoting a diverse, inclusive and equitable professional community in our specialty. Our purpose is to recruit, develop, and promote women and under-represented minority (URM) physicians and leaders in cardiothoracic anesthesiology.



Special Interest Group

SCA 2021 VIRTUAL *Annual Meeting*



Registration is Open

Registration is open for the 2021 Annual Meeting and Workshops. [Click here to register.](#)

We encourage everyone to register and take advantage of the fantastic educational offerings. We also encourage you to share the sessions you are involved in on our Facebook group or email us at WICTA@scahq.org if you would like help creating a social media post to advertise your session.

Here is just a sampling of a few sessions that support our mission and may be of interest to our members:

SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2021 | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST

Professional Development Workshop

Moderators: Emily Methangkool, MD MPH and Candice Montzingo, MD, FASE

MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2021 | 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM CST

Improving Gender and Racial Diversity in Cardiothoracic Anesthesia

Moderators: Michele Sumler, MD and Emily Methangkool, MD MPH

TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021 | 3:45 PM - 5:15 PM CST

How to Get my Paper Published

Moderators: Nikolaos Skubas, MD, DSC, FACC, FASE

VIRTUAL #SCA2021
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ANNUAL MEETING & WORKSHOPS
APRIL 24-27, 2021

SOCIETY OF CARDIOVASCULAR ANESTHESIOLOGISTS
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WICTA *Elections*



WICTA executive team has several positions that will be open for election soon. Below are some details of each position. Please review so you can begin thinking about whether you might like to join our team. Details regarding the application process, as well as an official application form will be sent at a later date. Also please note that all members of the WICTA executive committee must be active SCA members.

CHAIR:

- **Position Description:** The chair position will supervise and oversee all WICTA programming and activities to ensure the promotion of WICTA's stated mission and purpose. The Chair will work closely with the Chair-Elect and the Executive Board members, with guidance from the Advisory Board and with input from general WICTA members. The term will be 2-years, and the position will be filling by Chair-Elect after 2-years.
- **Eligibility:** Open to all WICTA members who have demonstrated active involvement in WICTA and significant work in DEI.

CHAIR-ELECT:

- **Position Description:** The vice-Chair position reformulates to be a Chair-Elect position. Chair-Elect position works closely with the Chair to implement and organize all WICTA programming and activities and promote WICTA's stated missions and purpose. The Chair will work with the Executive Board members, with guidance from the Advisory Board, and input for general WICTA members. The term will be 2-years, at which time the Chair-Elect will transition to the Chair position for another two years.
- **Eligibility:** Open to all WICTA members who have demonstrated active involvement in WICTA and significant work in DEI.

COMMUNICATIONS LIAISON:

- **Position Description:** Responsible for email communications, newsletters, membership email lists, and medial social liaison to make website updates. The term will be 2-years.
- **Eligibility:** Open to all WICTA members.

SOCIAL MEDIA LIAISON:

- **Position Description:** Responsible for membership engagement through our social media platforms, work with communication liaison to make website updates. The term will be 2-years.
- **Eligibility:** Open to all WICTA members.

RESEARCH LIAISON:

- **Position Description:** Responsible for leading the research efforts and programs to increase research engagement by women and URM physicians in cardiothoracic anesthesiology. The term will be 2-years.
- **Eligibility:** Open to all WICTA members.

SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARDS LIAISON:

- **Position Description:** Responsible for creating a mechanism to recognize and elevate women and URM physicians in cardiothoracic anesthesiology. The term will be 2-years.
- **Eligibility:** Open to all WICTA members.

MEMBER ENGAGEMENT AND NETWORKING LIAISON:

- **Position Description:** Responsible for events and programs to enhance the connections and networks between our members. The position may also include coordinating and supporting local groups of WICTA members who create a community in their immediate communities. The term will be 2-years..
- **Eligibility:** Open to all WICTA members.

In addition to the elected positions above, the following members will remain on our Executive Board:

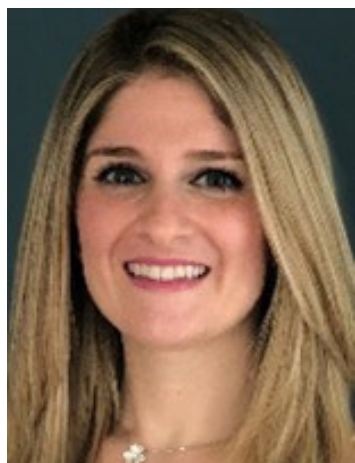
- Dr. Lisa Rong - *Research Advisor*
- Dr. Kelly Ural - *Communications and Social Media Advisor*
- Dr. Lavina Kolarczyk, Dr. Tara Humphrey, Dr. Maya Hastie - *Members-at-Large*

PMDP UPDATE

Research Mentoring



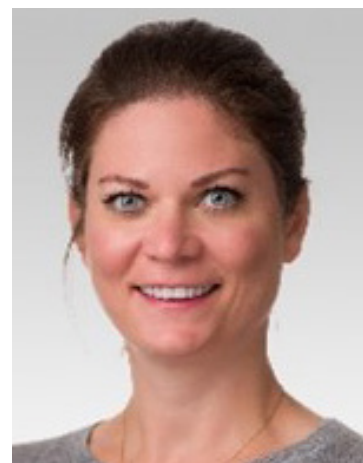
The next installment of our professional development mentoring program, research mentoring, has just begun. We are excited to announce our newest group of participants who will be paired with a research mentor to work on their projects. This program will include a 4-part lecture series on conducting research and we are pleased to offer these lectures to all of our members, and to offer CME. The first of these will be held on May 5, 2021. Stay tuned for details. *Congratulations to all of our participants!*



Dr. Didi Khatib
Weill Cornell Medicine
Mentored by:
Dr. Peter Neuberger,
NYU Langone Health



Dr. Christine Choi
UC San Diego Health
Mentored by:
Dr. Prince Neelankavil,
UCLA Health



Dr. Ashley Budd
Northwestern Medicine
Mentored by:
Dr. Lisa Rong,
Weill Cornell Medicine



Dr. Samhati Mondal
University of Maryland
Mentored by:
Dr. Jessica Brodt,
Stanford Medicine



Dr. Melissa Vogel song
Stanford Medicine
Mentored by:
Dr. Karsten Bartels,
University of Nebraska
Medical Center

Congratulations

participants

CURRENT *Highlights*



WICTA Speaker Database

The WICTA speaker database is up and running. Upload your information so those looking for speakers can contact you for potential speaking engagements. If you have given local lectures, grand rounds, talks at regional or national meetings, etc., you are more than qualified! We would love for all of our members to be recognized for their hard work. A link to enroll can be found on our webpage or click the link here: www.scahq.org/WICTADatabase.

If you or someone in your department is looking for speakers for Grand Rounds, conferences, etc., please submit an inquiry directly to WICTA@scahq.org to be provided with a list of speakers in the content areas you specify.

WICTA Happy Hour

We held our first virtual happy hour on Sunday, February 28, 2021, and it was a huge success! Dr. Diba Daneshrad kicked us off with a cocktail recipe, and then Dr. Lavinia Kolarczyk gave an outstanding presentation on “The Art of Saying No.” Following this, participants were divided into small groups for further discussion.

Plans are underway for our next happy hour on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at, 5:00 PM PST, 8:00 PM EST, and we hope you all will join us. Stay tuned for more details on the topic and information on how to register.

STAY
TUNED FOR
DETAILS

Social Media Corner

To stay better connected, follow us on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook, and join our WICTA Facebook group. Anyone can join our Facebook group, and any member can post to the page. Social media is a great place to network with other members, ask questions, list job openings, etc.

Got something exciting you need to tweet – send us an email at WICTA@scahq.org and let us know about your recent publication, promotion, etc., and we will share on our social media sites. Let us do the bragging for you!



TWITTER:
[@womeninctanes](https://twitter.com/womeninctanes)



FACEBOOK:
WICTA page and
WICTA Facebook group



INSTAGRAM:
[@WICTA](https://www.instagram.com/WICTA)

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JOB *Listings*



Banner University Medical Group (BUMG) and the University of Arizona Department of Anesthesiology is actively interviewing Cardiothoracic Anesthesiologists to join our growing clinical faculty team at the region's academic, newest, and leading Level 1 trauma center in Tucson, Arizona.

- The ideal candidate will also collaborate with a collegiate team of Physicians, CRNA, and ACGME trainees thriving in a modern healthcare setting. The ability to thrive with diverse populations, maintain curricular perspectives, employ teaching methods for medical students, residents, and fellows is valuable in this role. This position primarily involves cardiac anesthesiology diagnosis and treatment.

As a Clinical Faculty member, you will gain a faculty appointment at the University of Arizona commensurate with your academic credentials. Due to service expansion, we are seeking cardiac anesthesiologists interested in a varied practice, including Level 1 trauma. We also are looking for fellowship trained physicians in general, critical care, OB, regional and pain medicine. All ranks are welcome to apply.

If interested, we encourage you to mention this site when you send your cover letter with CV to Dr. Kathryn Glas and Linda Montano at doctors@bannerhealth.com.

Ochsner Health System in New Orleans, Louisiana is searching for a BC/BE Fellowship-trained Pediatric Anesthesiologist, with sub-fellowship training in Pediatric Cardiac Anesthesia or experience with Pediatric Cardiac Anesthesia.

- The successful candidate will join a team with 10 Pediatric Anesthesiology Faculty members. Ochsner Hospital for Children ranked among the top 50 children's hospitals in the United States for pediatric cardiology and heart surgery by U.S. News & World Report. Experienced physicians and those directly from fellowship are welcomed to apply. Salary will commensurate with training and experience.

Our Pediatric Cardiac Anesthesia practice includes all subspecialties and spans the spectrum from cardiac cath lab, non-cardiac surgery for cardiac kids to complex neonatal cardiac surgery. We support a 54-bed Level III-C NICU and 26-bed PICU, 35-bed pediatric unit, as well as a dedicated, full-time, region-wide pediatric transport team. The Department of Anesthesiology includes 70 anesthesiologists, 100 CRNA's, and >30 house staff, with an annual case volume of >52,000.

Interested applicants should send cover letter to Dr. David Broussard dabroussard@ochsner.org and Courtney Lawhun courtney.lawhun@ochsner.org.

Established group of anesthesiologists in Los Angeles are looking to add another cardiac anesthesiologist.

- Our hospital is mid-way through a \$700M + addition including the addition of additional operating rooms, hybrid rooms, and cath labs. We currently are doing less than 100 hearts a year, but have a very active EP lab, cath lab, and thoracic cases. We expect significant growth in cardiac and all volume in the future. Our primary cardiac surgical group are talented, fast, and a pleasure to work with. Applicant would be expected to do general cases as well. OB and pediatric cases only if interested.

Good call schedule and call stipend. Partnership track with 1099 compensation, shared daytime income, complete transparency with group.

If interested, please text Stuart Ackerman MD at 818-599-0532 or Wayne Kleinman MD at 818-282-3411 or Diba Daneshrad MD MPH at 917-297-3849.