

**AAST Program Directors Subcommittee Phone Conference**

**Monday, July 24, 2023**

**Notes**

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1. Publication Scholarship

Associate Members can apply to have their fees waived for original manuscripts. Receipients must be the first or senior author on the paper. Submissions will be considered monthly.

Interested Associate Members can find more information here: <https://www.aast.org/associate-member-journal-opportunities> or can reach out to Brea Sanders at [breasanders@aast.org](mailto:breasanders@aast.org).

1. ACS Committee Updates
   1. Boot Camp – If you have not signed up for a meeting, please click on the link below:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1-lRefctH5YsFE8sm18fNMMTiTb4Htxl7VwQI7QT9jqQ/edit?usp=sharing>

Thank you to all the programs that have signed up.

1. Program Directors Projects Updates
   1. Didactic Curriculum

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/13RtBJACkIdmWQWlSKje-arXl-_c6shSf/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=117706036005527130725&rtpof=true&sd=true>

Program Directors and Associate Program Directors should sign up for a topic highlighted in gray. Under those topics are the related subjects or areas fellows should be educated on. PDs/APDs that sign up for each topic can work together or split up topics.

Each topic should be given a quick review to make sure there aren’t glaring omissions. Similar to SCORE – provide highlights of the topic, additional resources, etc. - tangible things we can provide to the fellows.

Tasks to be completed:

1. Provide review article(s) or something similar (more recent literature, web links, video clips, etc.) on the main topic. You may already have a power point presentation or a recorded lecture on some of these topics that you use in your program. These are the things I would have pulled to present this topic to my fellows.
2. Five or so bullet points with the highlights of each topic - what is the bare minimum fellows need to know about this topic.
3. Write 1-2 exam questions.

Resources, bullet points, questions, etc. can be submitted to Bridget Lindbloom by September 1st

We can provide thank you letters to more junior members who are contributing to a “National Curriculum” so they can include it in their CVs

Need to brainstorm an overall name for this didactic curriculum.

1. Program Spotlight: University of Louisville, Nicholas Nash

New Program, approved May 2022

Brand new tower being built

2 SCC fellows; 1 ACS fellow

UL Health: University of Louisville, Jewish Hospital, Elizabeth and Mary Hospital, Jewish Hospital South, Norton Hospital

Recently ABA certified as well

SCC Year

7 months Trauma ICU

4 months electives: CVICU, PulmCC, Burn, Neuroanesthesia, SICU at Jewish Hospital

1 month vacation

ACS Year

1 month cardiothoracic

1 month vascular

3 months trauma

6 months ACS

1 month vacation

Didactics

Monthly Trauma QI Conference

Monthly trauma Multi-disciplinary Conference

Twice monthly critical care/ACS teaching conference

Weekly Dr. Polk & Burn Rounds

Weekly general surgery grand rounds and QI

Weekly trauma PI and Death review meeting

Monthly Critical Care/ACS journal club

4200 trauma admits in 2022

13% penetrating trauma

80% blunt trauma

7% burns

Trauma SICU – 20 beds

Burn Unit – 16 beds

450 pts with ISS > 25

Approx 300 ELAP’s for trauma

400 VATS

25 ED thoracotomies

80 open vascular repairs

300 Burn cases

Bulk of EGS at Jewish and Norton

Approx. 300 laparotomies, 50 complex laparoscopic cases annually

Specialty cases: approx.600 sternotomies, 500 VATS, 60 ECMO pts, 100 open vascular cases annually

Strengths

Fellows are in the OR from day one.

Autonomy

Operative variety

Sick patients

Struggles

Research productivity

Service line expansion

Supervision – used AAST template

Phase 1 – direct supervision for all complex EGS cases, trauma activations, and trauma operations; requires at least 5 cases in each subtype prior to promotion

Phase 2 – indirect supervision for low acuity and complex EGS cases and trauma activations; direct supervision for trauma cases; no set case requirement but fellow must have taken at least 20 calls prior to promotion

Phase 3 – indirect supervision for most trauma cases/all EGS cases with attending immediately available; direct supervision for complex trauma cases

1. Reminders and Upcoming Dates:
   1. Meet the Mentors
      1. August 22 – Karen Brasel
      2. August 29 – Nicole Stassen
      3. September 12 – Michael Cripps
      4. September 26 – Mary Fallat
   2. Annual Meeting – September 20-23, 2023
   3. Caselog system $750 access fee due – August 1, 2023
   4. Bootcamp - 2024
   5. Next Program Directors’ Meeting – August 28, 2023