CSVS President's Message

Dear colleagues,

I hope the Holidays were an enjoyable time for you and your families and that January has not been filled with too much shovelling. The new year promises to be a great one for the CSVS with a number of exciting initiatives in the works. Take a minute to visit the CSVS bilingual website. An excellent time to do this will be when you renew your 2017 membership - electronic dues invoices have been distributed and I encourage you to renew your membership promptly.

Planning for our 39th Annual Meeting is well underway and information on the Call For Abstracts and Awards can be found on the CSVS website. I would encourage you to promote these activities within your institutions. We look forward to welcoming our invited guest speaker, Dr. Alan Dardik of Yale University School of Medicine. Banff will be a stunning backdrop for the 2017 meeting and we hope to build on the solid academic programmes of previous meetings.

Your Executive continues to work hard to promote the interests of Canadian Vascular Surgery. We continue with our national research agenda and our human resource planning initiative is moving forward as the manpower subcommittee prepares to launch the next survey targeting residents. We are also working on completing the Royal College’s template for competency based learning for vascular surgery. We continue to raise the profile of our specialty and advocate on behalf of our vascular patients.

Below you will find a workforce survey link from the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) and this will also be posted on the CSVS website.

Thank you for your continued support of the CSVS and best wishes for a happy, healthy, and prosperous 2017.

Rafik Ghali, MD, FRCSC
President, CSVS

Chers collègues,

J’espère que vous avez passé une agréable période des Fêtes avec votre famille et que le mois de janvier ne vous aura pas apporté trop de neige. La nouvelle année s’anonce passionnante pour la SCCV en raison des nombreuses initiatives emballantes prévues. Prenez quelques minutes pour consulter le site Web bilingue de la SCCV. Le renouvellement de votre adhésion pour 2017 est un bon moment pour le faire : les factures de cotisation électroniques ont été distribuées et je vous encourage à renouveler votre adhésion sans tarder.

La planification de notre 39e Assemblée annuelle va bon train. Vous trouverez des informations liées à l’Appel de résumés de recherche et aux prix sur le site Web de la SCCV. Je vous encourage à faire la promotion de ces activités dans vos établissements. Nous sommes impatients d’accueillir notre conférencier invité, le Dr Alan Dardik de la faculté de médecine de l’université Yale. Banff sera un environnement enchanteur pour l’assemblée de 2017 et nous espérons poursuivre la tradition des solides programmes scientifiques des assemblées antérieures.

Votre Comité directeur continue de travailler fort pour promouvoir les intérêts de la chirurgie vasculaire au Canada. Nous poursuivons nos objectifs de recherche à l’échelle nationale et notre
projet de planification des ressources humaines avance, alors que le sous-comité sur les effectifs se prépare à distribuer le prochain sondage qui ciblera les résidents. Nous sommes à terminer le modèle de formation fondé sur les compétences en chirurgie vasculaire du Collège royal. Enfin, nous nous employons sans cesse à rehausser le profil de notre spécialité et à défendre les intérêts de nos patients.

Merci de votre soutien continu envers la SCCV et meilleurs vœux de bonheur, de santé et de prospérité en 2017.

Rafik Ghali, MD, FRCSC
Président, SCCV

Save the Date! 2017 CSVS Annual Meeting on Vascular Surgery

The 2017 CSVS Annual Meeting will be held in Banff, AB on September 15-16 at the historic Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel. We are pleased to welcome invited guest speaker Dr. Alan Dardik - Professor of Vascular Surgery at Yale University School of Medicine. Dr. Dardik will present 2 talks and participate as a moderator for various sessions in Banff. Please visit the CSVS website for information on Abstracts and Awards and to view updates on the Annual Meeting.

CSVs Manpower survey

The CSVS Manpower Subcommittee will soon be launching the second survey in the series which will target residents and will present the preliminary results at the Winnipeg meeting. The Manpower Subcommittee has been tasked with characterizing our current workforce, evaluating the career goals of vascular surgery trainees, quantifying training program output versus available jobs and assessing health administrators’ need for vascular surgeons and resources available for such need. The survey is completely anonymous and collects only aggregate data that cannot identify anyone.

CSVs 2017 Membership Dues/Cotisations SCCV 2017

Dues invoices have been distributed electronically to CSVS members and you can pay quickly, securely and easily with the online option that appears on your invoice. Please pay your 2017 membership dues by February 28th. Dues may also be paid by mail with a cheque or by calling the CSVS office with a credit card.

CMA Workforce Survey

Complete the CMA’s Workforce Survey to help plan for future of our health system!
The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) is asking all practising physicians in Canada to help plan for a future health care system that meets the needs of both patients and the valued providers by completing a 10-minute survey. www.cma.ca/workforce2017

Information gathered will include details on working hours, practice settings, use of technology and plans for the future. The information will be used to draw a current portrait of the profession. Academics, researchers and decision-makers all use the information to plan at the national, regional and even specialty levels. All practising physicians will have an opportunity to enter a draw to win $1000, and a charitable donation of $500 will be made for every 5000 completed surveys. The CMA appreciates your time and input on this important initiative.

Upcoming Events

Tremblant Vascular Surgery Meeting

Feb. 9 -11, 2017
Fairmont Mont Tremblant Hotel
Please go to www.xpertize.com to register.
21st European Vascular Course
March 5-7, 2017
Maastricht, the Netherlands
www.vascular-course.com

Winnipeg Vascular & Endovascular Symposium
April 7-8, 2017
Vascular Resident's Program - April 6, 2017
The Fairmont Hotel, Winnipeg MB
For more Information contact Suzanne Morgan-Gravel
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Charing Cross Symposium 2017
25-28 April 2017
Olympia Grand, London UK

AATS Mitral Conclave
April 27 – 28, 2017
New York Hilton Midtown
New York, NY, USA

AATS Centennial
April 29 – May 3, 2017
Boston Hynes Convention Center
Boston, MA, USA

Job Postings
Vascular Surgeon - Saskatoon Health Region
For more information click here