General Clinical Nuclear Medicine Council Goals

Goal 1: (80% Completed)
Increase awareness of the GCNMC and its membership.

SNMMI Strategic Plan Goals that relates to this goal:
• Goal A: Advance the development and approval of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging technologies.
• Goal B: Facilitate and support the availability and clinical utilization of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging technologies.

Current Progress: At the June, 2015 the GCNMC decided to raise its dues from $10 to $20 making it more consistent with that of most of the other councils. Complete data is not yet available, but as of December 7, 2015, we have 165 members (92 physicians/scientists) and 73 technologists. This compares favorably with the 174 members last year. In addition, it was also decided that we will offer free membership to residents-in-training and technologists-in-training. We have not yet received the final numbers, but this will, obviously, add considerably to our membership numbers. (Updated: 12/08/2015)

Next Steps: Continue promoting and increasing awareness, publish Newsletter on the web at least 1-2x/yr (Updated: 12/08/2015)

Goal 2: (80% Completed)
Increase collaboration with other councils in planning educational programs.

SNMMI Strategic Plan Goals that relates to this goal:
• Goal A: Advance the development and approval of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging technologies.
• Goal B: Facilitate and support the availability and clinical utilization of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging technologies.
• Goal D: Advance and promote quality, value and safety of Molecular Imaging and Nuclear Medicine.

Current Progress: The GCNMC has been successful in this collaboration and the GCNMC Board members are 100% involved in CME planning. We had a joint presentation with the Pediatric Council at the 2015 mid-winter meeting and have submitted a proposal for the 2016 annual meeting. A joint proposal with the Computer and Instrumentation Council is being presented at the 2016 mid-winter meeting. We have collaborated with both the Pediatric Council and the Computer and Instrumentation Council in both proposing and presenting CME courses at both the mid-Winter and Annual meetings. These will be listed under the following Goal 3. (Updated: 12/08/2015)

Next Steps: Continue to collaborate with other councils in presenting CME courses. (Updated: 12/08/2015)

Goal 3: (95% Completed)
Offer GCNMC-sponsored educational sessions at the SNMMI Mid-Winter and Annual meetings.

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Current Progress: We have 4 CME courses being presented at the 2016 MWM of which one is with the collaboration of the Computer and Instrumentation Council. 1. Appropriate use Criteria: Working groups on V/Q scans, Hepatobiliary Imaging, PET/CT for re-staging and Bone scintigraphy. 2. Sialoadenitis after Thyroid Cancer Therapy 3. Radioactive Iodine and Grave’s Eye Disease 4. SPECT/CT and lymphoscintigraphy: A combined session with the Computer and Instrumentation Council (Updated: 12/08/2015)


Goal 4: (100% Completed)
Continue to work with the Procedure Standards Committee on review of general nuclear medicine procedures.

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• Goal B: Facilitate and support the availability and clinical utilization of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging technologies.
• Goal D: Advance and promote quality, value and safety of Molecular Imaging and Nuclear Medicine.

Current Progress: As new guidelines are being written or revised, members of GCNMC are participating in their review (most recently the Guideline on Dynamic Renal Scintigraphy). (Updated: 12/08/2015)

Next Steps: Continue current practice. (Updated: 12/08/2015)

Goal 5: (80% Completed)
Seek to educate and improve general knowledge about the use of general nuclear medicine procedures.

SNMMI Strategic Plan Goals that relates to this goal:
• Goal B: Facilitate and support the availability and clinical utilization of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging technologies.
• Goal D: Advance and promote quality, value and safety of Molecular Imaging and Nuclear Medicine.

Current Progress: Our new council intern, Dr. Zaid Al-Faham has already delivered a lecture concerning this to residents and medical students at his home institution, Oakland University William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan. (Updated: 12/08/2015)

Next Steps: Dr. Al-Faham is expanding his educational efforts by making presentations to physicians in other specialties and medical students rotating on clerkships in the Radiology department. He also is planning a Table top display in the hospital hallway to provide Nuclear Medicine brochures and flyers for patients, physicians and students. (Updated: 12/08/2015)