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South African Heart Association



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Dear Colleagues

Seasons greeting from the new Executive Committee elected at our AGM on 31 October during the Netcare Paediatric Cardiac Symposium at the Lord Charles Hotel in Somerset West.

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**NETCARE PAEDIATRIC CARDIAC SYMPOSIUM (Somerset West, Cape Town):
Sunday 29 October - Wednesday 1st November 2006**

Programme

The symposium will be held this year at the Lord Charles Hotel in Somerset West. The programme is being arranged for PCSSA this year by our Bloemfontein colleagues Prof Steven Brown, Dr Andre Bruwer and Prof Francis Smit. They are busy formulating an exciting programme featuring local and world experts.

The focus will be "integrating cardiac care" with a number of plenary sessions involving adult and paediatric cardiologists, cardio thoracic surgeons and other professionals. A separate Paediatric programme has been arranged with the focus on Interventional Cardiology. Topics to be covered include;

- Pulmonary artery and Coarctation Stents
- Retrieval of embolised devices
- Percutaneous Pulmonary Valve Replacement
- Device Closure of VSDs
- The challenge of the single ventricle
- Echocardiographic correlates of all topics

Speakers

Norman H Silverman MD, D Sc, (Med) FACC

Professor of Paediatrics, Division of Paediatric Cardiology: The Roma and Marvin Auerback Scholar in Pediatric Cardiology. Director Pediatric and Echocardiography Laboratory, Stanford University Medical Centre.

A world-renowned expert in congenital echocardiography, he finished his M.B.Ch.B at the University of the Witwatersrand in 1967 and was assistant professor and professor at San Francisco and Stanford Universities. He has published more than 190 scientific articles and is a member of numerous professional bodies and university committees. He is a reviewer for several journals and has been extensively involved in research pertaining to foetal echocardiography.

Ziyad M Hijazi MD, MPH

George M Eisenberg Professor of Pediatrics and Medicine; Section Chief Pediatric Cardiology & Medical Director, The University of Chicago Congenital Heart Center, University of Chicago.

Dr Hijazi is a world-renowned interventional cardiologist. A prolific author, he has published nearly 150 scientific articles and has been a visiting professor or lecturer at more than 300 medical meetings, workshops and conferences around the world. He is a member of the American College of Cardiology writing committee that develops guidelines for the management of congenital heart disease in adults and was named to Chicago magazine's list of top doctors in 2006. He is an expert in the field of transcatheter closure of intra - and extra cardiac defects and the director of the PICS symposium.

Mr Marc de Laval, Great Ormond Street, UK.

Dr de Laval Marc is a world-renowned Cardiothoracic Surgeon from Great Ormond Street and has done pioneering work on the Fontan circulation. He has published extensively and it will be a privilege to have him back in South Africa.

Dr Shakeel Qureshi

Shak Qureshi is Consultant Paediatric Cardiologist at the United Medical and Dental Schools of Guy's and St Thomas' Hospitals, London. He has been Director of Cardiac Catheterisation Laboratory since 1999 and Head of Service for Paediatric Cardiology since May 2004. He has a special interest in interventional cardiology.

Dr Qureshi was unable to attend the Drakensberg meeting in October 2005 due to his involvement in the international humanitarian relief efforts after the devastating earthquake in Pakistan and has kindly agreed to travel to South Africa.

Short talks and case presentations

The format for local speakers is similar to last year. The Conference announcements called for abstracts and the deadline for submission of abstracts was on 31st July 2006 but has been extended to 31 August 2006. Please submit!

MINI-SYMPOSIUM: TOWARD GUIDELINES IN PAEDIATRIC INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGY

Saturday 28th October 2006 at the Spier Estate in Stellenbosch

On Saturday 28 October, the PCSSA is holding a symposium for Paediatric Cardiologists the objective of which is to discuss the development of guidelines for best practice to assist paediatric cardiologists with an interest in interventional techniques and procedures.

There are eight themes being discussed. Each will be introduced with a short case to highlight potential problems with interventions for that particular lesion. This should bring some focus to the subsequent discussion on the development of guidelines for catheter interventions. Dr Qureshi will be the international expert at this symposium, giving several problem based presentations. A preliminary programme is enclosed below.

Those wishing to attend this mini interventional symposium should contact the Convenor, Dr Jeff Harrisberg at pedcard@mweb.co.za by 31st August 2006. Due to the size of the venue, attendance to the symposium will be limited to the first 20 applicants. No additional cost to attendees will be incurred.

AGM of the PCSSA

As is our practice, the AGM will be held on Tuesday 31 October, during the Annual Congress in Somerset West. Please note this AGM is for **members** of the PCSSA and you are urged to check that you are a member of both SA Heart and the PCSSA.

The following constitutional amendment is proposed by the committee to redress the omission of a nomination procedure for membership of and election to the Executive Committee in the Constitution of the PCSSA.

9. Executive Committee

9.2. A request for nominations for election to the Executive Committee will be sent by electronic mail to all Ordinary Members in good standing at least 30 days before the Annual General Meeting. Nominations will close 7 days before the Annual General Meeting.

A new Executive is due to be elected at this AGM. On this occasion as in previous years, nominations will have to be taken from the floor. Current members of the executive of the PCSSA are all available for re-election to the five positions. For your information they are listed below;

Dr Christopher Hugo-Hamman
President

PAEDIATRIC CARDIAC CATH GUIDELINES FOR SOUTH AFRICA

Sat 28th OCT 2006	SPIER ESTATE
07H45	Registration
08H15	Welcome and Introduction
08H30 -09H05	Opening of Atrial Communications
5 min	Introduction
10 min	Balloons / cutting / RF perf
15 min	Discussion
5 min	Conclusion
09H05 - 10H00	Closure Devices
5 min	Introduction
20 min	ASD/ VSD/ PDA/ PFO
25 min	Discussion
5 min	Conclusion
10h00-10h15	Tea
10h15-11h00	Balloon Valvuloplasty
5 min	Introduction
20 min	Aortic/ pulm/ mitral
25 min	Discussion
5 min	Conclusion
11h00-11h45	Balloon Angioplasty
5 min	Introduction
20 min	Coarct / PA's
25 min	Discussion
5 min	Conclusion
11h45 - 12h45	Cutting Balloons
5 min	Introduction
20 min	Cutting Balloons
25 min	Discussion
5 min	Conclusion
12H45-14h00	Lunch
14h00-14h45	Stents
5 min	Introduction
10 min	Coarct / PA's/ Mustards
25 min	Discussion
5 min	Conclusion
14h45-15.30	Coils & Vascular Plugs
5 min	Introduction
15 min	PDA / collats/ etc
25 min	Discussion
5 min	Conclusion
15h30-15h45	Tea
15h45-16h30	Radiofrequency Perforation Systems
5 min	Introduction
15 min	PA & IVS
25 min	Discussion
5 min	Conclusion
16h30-16h45	CONCLUSIONS AND CLOSURE

