



News You Can Use

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Tell Us Who You Are! Participate in the ACC Census

ACC is collecting information of its members through the ACC Census. Responses help us decide where resources, energy and funds are allocated. Be counted and update your profile to ensure that your education and communication preferences are heard! Let's shape the future of cardiovascular care together: [Update your profile today!](#)

Note for Chapter Execs -- below are a few sample tweets that you can use in your Chapter social media to help promote the ACC Census:

- An outdated profile means you're missing out on offerings, news and more from the ACC. We want to know you! Participate in the ACC Census [ACC.org/MyProfile](#) #ACCMember
- Your responses to the ACC Census help us create programs and content that's most relevant to you. Make sure your voice is heard and update your profile today! [ACC.org/MyProfile](#) #ACCMember
- Be counted in the ACC Census: Update your member profile and make sure that your educational and specialty preferences are heard! [ACC.org/MyProfile](#) #ACCMember

[The ACC Celebrates Women's History Month](#)

Throughout the month of March, the ACC is recognizing the impact women have had on the field of cardiovascular medicine. [ACC.org/CelebrateWomen](#) features videos of member leaders honoring the women who have inspired them in their careers, a timeline of women's accomplishments in the field, and a collection of articles highlighting women's perspectives and contributions to cardiology. To mark the occasion, the College is also encouraging FIT members within 6 months of their training end date and Associate Fellows within 3 years of the end of their training to advance to Fellowship. When they use code MyFACC, we'll waive the \$150 application fee!

The ACC to Hold Virtual Career Fair March 11

For the second consecutive year, the ACC will hold a Virtual Career Fair. On March 11, 2021, from 5 to 8 p.m. ET, ACC members will be able to meet with leading employers from across the country as they seek to advance their careers. [Interested job seekers can register here](#), and practices and institutions looking to sign up as employers [can do so here](#).

[NCDR Accepting 2021 Research Proposals Through April 9](#)

Are you planning to submit an NCDR research proposal this year? Don't miss the April 9 deadline! Last year, NCDR changed its Research & Publications (R&P) cycle to offer one research proposal deadline annually, with one annual review meeting for all NCDR programs except the STS/ACC TVT Registry. All research proposal applications will be scored by the same R&P Committee member and will receive the same consideration. [Learn more](#) and submit your proposal by April 9.

JACC Journals Accepting Manuscripts For 2021 Focus Issues

To grow the body of literature surrounding diabetes and heart failure, *JACC: Heart Failure* [is accepting submissions](#) for a focus issue on this topic planned for August of this year. Submissions are due on or before April 2. Responding to the need for expanded knowledge on emerging trends, novel treatment approaches and outcomes for patients with AL and

ATTR amyloidosis, *JACC: CardioOncology* [is inviting research](#) for a special issue planned for Winter of this. Submissions are due on or before April 15. Learn more and access tips for publishing in the [JACC.org Author Center](#).

Current Key Questions on COVID-19 and CVD

Looking for more clinical guidance on the cardiac implications of COVID-19? ACC's latest [FAQs on COVID-19](#) summarize current evidence and insights that address considerations for cardiomyopathy and heart failure in COVID-19; long-term management of COVID-19-related myocarditis; thrombosis risk and management in COVID-19; workplace exposure; clinical wellness; and more. Approved by ACC's Science and Quality Committee and written by leading experts in each area, find them [here](#).

Call For Applications: ACC EchoSAP Editor-in-Chief

The ACC is seeking a qualified candidate to serve as Editor-in-Chief of EchoSAP, ACC's self-assessment program on echocardiography. [EchoSAP](#) helps users prepare for the initial or recertification exam in echocardiography, stay abreast of new advances in the field, teach others, and earn continuing medical education credit. Interested candidates are encouraged to review the [position description and complete the application form](#). A cover letter highlighting interest and credentials as well as a curriculum vitae should be submitted along with the application to Helene Goldstein, hgoldste@acc.org, by Sunday, April 4th at 11:59 p.m. ET. [Learn more about the position](#).

New JACC: Clinical Electrophysiology Features Research Across the EP Spectrum, Debuts Article Summary Podcasts

A recent issue of [JACC: Clinical Electrophysiology](#) features new research papers and expert editorials on [CIED: physiological pacing, imaging](#), as well as catheter ablation [specific diseases, safety, atrial fibrillation](#) and [technology](#). Brugada syndrome (BrS) is examined in an original research paper outlining a new primary prevention [clinical risk score model](#) designed to quantify risk of ventricular arrhythmias and sudden cardiac death in BrS patients, an [accompanying editorial](#) further examining risk in these patients, a Global EP Rounds on [fractionated epicardial electrograms](#) and an editorial comment on [arrhythmias in BrS](#). For the issue's *Conversations With Legends in Cardiac Electrophysiology* [podcast](#), Associate Editor **Usha Tedrow, MD, MSc**, interviews Guest Editor-in-Chief **William G. Stevenson, MD, FACC**. And back again, as part of the [JACC Specialty Journal podcast](#), are three [article summary podcasts](#) recorded by Editor-in-Chief **Kalyanam Shivkumar, MD, PhD, FACC**, and Journal associate editors. Read the [full issue](#) and subscribe to free Journal [email alerts](#).

Brush Up on the Basics of Precision Medicine

The era of precision medicine in cardiovascular disease is here. With the advent of high throughput technologies, big data analytics and the expansion of digital health tools, the concept of personalizing therapies to maximize benefits and minimize risk for patients is within reach. However, most health care providers have had little to no exposure to the data, platforms, methods and clinical applications that form the foundation of precision medicine. ACC's new [Evolving Practice of Cardiovascular Precision Medicine Virtual](#) course, held April 16, will equip cardiovascular providers with the core knowledge and skills to understand and apply evidenced-based genomic medicine and digital technologies to patients at risk for and with established cardiovascular disease and to recognize the current limitations of each approach. On-demand access will be available for three months following the course. Learn more and [register today](#).

ACC Launches Initiative to Increase Awareness, Knowledge on HCM Care

The ACC has received a grant from Bristol Myers Squibb to address gaps in care and knowledge around hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, one of the most common genetic cardiovascular diseases. The Accelerating Innovation for Medical Excellence in Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy initiative will increase the awareness and understanding of HCM, activate clinicians and optimize disease management to improve outcomes. [Read more](#).

Three New CardioSmart Infographics on Women and Heart Disease

Heart disease is the number one killer of women in the U.S., causing more women's deaths than all cancers, including breast cancer. At the same time, women often ignore symptoms and are less likely to get optimal treatment for heart conditions. The CardioSmart team has developed a series of [Women and Heart Disease Infographics](#), showing how women can stand up for their health and watch for symptoms of heart disease [before, during](#) and [after](#) pregnancy. [Download for free](#) these infographics and find out more about heart disease in women at [CardioSmart.org/Women](#).

[Benchmarking Cost of Care For PCI May Help Hospitals Improve Quality, Value of Care](#)

A better understanding of variations in total cost of care for PCI, when evaluated against related quality of care measures in [ACC's CathPCI Registry](#), may help facilities improve the value of care delivery, according to an abstract presented at ACC's [Cardiovascular Summit Virtual](#). Researchers benchmarked the average total cost of care, in terms of the amounts charged and allowed for reimbursement, for elective and nonelective PCI procedures. The ACC partnered with FAIR Health, a convener of claims data, to identify 134 procedure codes that indicate a PCI occurrence, as well as related resource utilization codes. The results may help cardiovascular clinicians better understand the total cost of care, which can guide them in identifying opportunities to address costs, while also optimizing outcomes. The Percutaneous Coronary Intervention Cost of Care Study will be available to sites participating in the CathPCI Registry in March. [Read more.](#)