Announcements

Registry form submission deadline:
All registry forms must be received by December 12, 2010 in order to be included in the January reports. If you have any changes that need to be made in the ELSO directory you will need to have these changes submitted by then as well.

ELSO Research Grants
Research grant applications for 2011 are now available to all active ELSO centers that wish to apply! The attached separate application contains detailed information.
MEETINGS

The 27th Annual CNMC ECMO Symposium!
February 20-24, 2011
Keystone, Colorado
www.ecmomeeting.com

The 21st Annual SEECMO Conference
June 3-5, 2011
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Hosted by Stollery Children’s Hospital and the University of Alberta Department of Pediatrics
Contact: Don Granoski
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22nd Annual ELSO Conference
September 16-18, 2011
Scottsdale, AZ
A separate pre-conference workshop will be held on
September 15-16, 2011
http://www.elso.med.umich.edu/meetings.html
At the request of several centers, the steering committee has decided to include links to center surveys in ELSO’s periodic e-letter. Each time we will describe the purpose of the study, who is asked to participate, and who is collecting the data. All surveys will be linked to “survey-monkey” which will collect the data. If you have a survey you would like to submit, please send the information to ELSO via Peter Rycus, MPH (prycus@umich.edu).
The Steering Committee has designed a brief certification survey to complement the previous information that was gathered. This survey is to be completed once by each ECMO program coordinator or medical director. There are two questions that require polling of the ECMO Specialists before answering. These questions are listed below. The survey is a short 9 questions and includes demographic information that will help us on the journey to certification. Thank you for your participation.

For the following professions who regularly sit pump, who do your specialists believe should participate in a certification process? (Check all that apply)
- Perfusionist
- RN
- RRT
- Physician
- Other

Do you believe ECMO certification will affect your position (standing) within your institution? Standing could include merit raises, clinical ladder, increased respect etc. (Please poll each Specialist who regularly sits pump in your center and enter tabulated responses to the following choices)
- Yes, it will strengthen my position
- Yes, it will weaken my position
- No, it will have no effect on my position

The survey can be found at:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CYHFXZP

Any questions please contact Tracy Morrison, RN at tmorrison1@woh.rr.com
Dear ELSO member,

We are fortunate to be working with the Extracorporeal Life Support Organization on a project to survey anticoagulation practices during extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO).

The link to the anonymous, online survey is provided below. It is voluntary, and takes less than 15 minutes to complete. Your completing this survey will serve as your consent to be in this research study.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/YPPL5NK

Please limit the respondents to one per ECMO center.

Thank you in advance for your time. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Award of Excellence

ELSO would like to recognize those centers who received the “Award of Excellence in Life Support” in 2010. (Listed in the order the application

UCLA Medical Center
Los Angeles, CA

St. Louis Children's Hospital
St. Louis, MO

Children's Memorial Hospital
Chicago, IL

Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital
Cleveland, OH

Children's Medical Center of Dallas
Dallas, TX
Arnold Palmer Medical Center  
Orlando, FL

Children’s Memorial Hermann Hospital  
Houston, TX

Children's Hospital at Yale-New Haven  
New Haven, CT

Radboud University Nijmegen Medical Center  
Nijmegen, The Netherlands

Mayo Clinic  
Rochester, MN

Miami Children's Hospital  
Miami, FL

Children’s Hospitals and Clinics  
Minneapolis, MN

Our Lady's Children's Hospital  
Dublin, Ireland

Medical University of South Carolina  
Charleston, SC

Children's Hospital of Wisconsin  
Milwaukee, WI

Cook Children's Medical Center  
Fort Worth, TX

Hanuola – ECMO Program of Hawaii  
Honolulu, HI
Medical College of Georgia
Augusta, GA

Children’s Mercy Hospital and Clinics
Kansas City, MO

Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt
Nashville, TN

All Children's Hospital
St. Petersburg, FL

Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center
Shreveport, LA

Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
Philadelphia, PA

Christus Santa Rosa Children’s Hospital
San Antonio, TX

LeBonheur Children’s Medical Center
Memphis, TN
TRAININGS

****ECMO TRAINING COURSES****

Training courses are also listed on ELSO’s web page and if you would like yours listed just let us know!

Venovenous ECMO for Adult Respiratory Failure
An ELSO Course
March 24-26, 2011
San Antonio, TX

This intense three day course is designed for physicians and specialists caring for adult patients with severe acute respiratory failure who may be candidates for Extracorporeal Respiratory Support. Common diagnoses considered for adult VV ECLS support include: H1N1, other viral or bacterial pneumonias, burn and inhalation injury, traumatic lung injury, pulmonary contusion, pulmonary embolism, post-shock or sepsis associated ARDS, or other forms of reversible acute lung injury or illness. Course content includes indications and contraindications, cannulation techniques, initiation of support, patient and circuit physiology of VV ECMO, programmatic design and management, and all aspects of patient management and decision making for patients on VV ECMO. Complementing the didactic course is an 8 hour high fidelity simulation workshop with an ECMO circuit utilizing centrifugal pump technology. In the simulation workshop, small groups will participate in scenarios reviewing emergency procedures and highlighting VV physiology. Simulation education will allow participants to develop skills in common bedside procedures and to learn key assessment for decision making by “hands on” experience. The course is appropriate for centers setting up new programs, or for existing centers expanding into adult services.

A pre-conference simulation course will be offered on March 23, 2011 for participants with little or no previous ECMO experience. This 4 hour session will review the essentials of bedside ECMO, such as, a circuit check and the procedure to emergently come off of ECMO. Other subjects that will be reviewed include: equipment components, alarms, pressure monitoring, stopcocks and pigtails, drawing samples from the circuit, de-airing the circuit, and hand cranking the pump.
Registration cost per person is:

$1,800  Pre-conference simulation, didactic with simulation course
$1,500  Didactic with simulation course
$800    Didactic course only

Space is limited.

Hotel Information will be coming soon.

The course will take place in Wilford Hall Medical Center. Transportation to and from the hotel will be arranged. Due to security measures at the base only US citizens will be able to attend this course. Details will follow.

Visit www.elso.med.umich.edu/meetings.html for more information.
If you or your institution have specific needs for coordinators, specialists, directors, etc. ELSO “e-letter” will post them here as well as on our website!!
ELSO Corporate Member Announcements

This section will allow ELSO’s corporate members an opportunity to pass on important information.

Currently no announcements.