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ACHA Board Welcomes New Members

The seventeen-member ACHA Board of Directors provides fiscal and organizational oversight, insures legal compliance, sound leadership of key strategic initiatives, and represents the organization through attendance and/or presentations at various national conferences and CHD events. All of their time, travel, and resources are donated. As with all volunteers, their compensation is the gift of serving an organization in which they passionately believe.

This spring, the Board's Nominations Committee conducted a nomination process for six director positions - two replacements and four new positions. The additional positions were created to meet ACHA's increasing organizational demands. A total of 24 members submitted resumes in response to the Committee's call for candidates. The Committee had the enviable challenge of selecting a final slate of candidates from among individuals with diverse professional backgrounds across the country, who are patients, family members, and medical professionals.

At the Board's Annual Meeting on June 21st, the Board of Directors elected the following new members:

- Beth Adams, DO
- Nicole Borek
- Jessica Nevin
- Peggy Powers
- Jennifer Ross
- David Watkins

of medical articles featured in the Heart Matters Newsletter

- To view the slides from the ACHA 09 conference presentations, link [here](#).

- **ACHA WEBINAR**

Save the date and join ACHA President, Amy Verstappen, who will be presenting the "Top 10 Things that People with ACHD Should Know" via webinar on Aug 13, 2009 from 7:00-8:30pm, EST. More information to follow.

- ACHA's on-line ACHD program directory lists over 80 specialty ACHD care centers through- out North America. Link to see the [ACHD program directory](#).

CORRECTIONS

If you believe that we have made an error, or you have questions about ACHA's Update, you may contact Anna Espe by e-mail at AEspe@achaheart.org, by phone at (215) 849-1260, by fax to (215) 849-1261 or by mail to 6757 Greene St, Ste 335; Philadelphia, PA,

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The new members will join the Board at the July 19th meeting. You will have a chance to learn more about our new members as we feature them in this and future issues. Click [here](#) to learn more about the new ACHA board members.

The Executive Committee, comprised of the Board's officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer), will also be elected at the July 19th meeting.

On behalf of the entire Board of Directors, the Nominations Committee, comprised of Jory Fisher, Karen Matson, and Donna Smith, would like to thank everyone who responded to our call for candidates. Congratulations to the newest Board members! Good luck to all in the 2009/2010 term.

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Congenital Heart

Futures Act: The article wrongfully stated that the Bill was introduced in the Senate by Thad Cochran (AL). While Senator Cochran did introduce the Bill, he actually represents MS.