Welcome to ACC LEADERSHIP 2018

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP CONTRIBUTION TO THE ACC!

An overview and reference guide to understanding ACC’s strategy, mission and governance structure, with important links and contact information.
ACC leads in the formation of health policy, standards and guidelines. The College operates national registries to measure and improve care, offers cardiovascular accreditation to hospitals and institutions, provides professional medical education, disseminates cardiovascular research and bestows credentials upon cardiovascular specialists who meet stringent qualifications.

OUR MISSION

To transform cardiovascular care and improve heart health.

OUR VISION

A world where innovation and knowledge optimize cardiovascular care and outcomes.

ACC’S 2018 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1. Reduce Members’ Administrative and Professional Burdens
2. Enhance Access to Education and Knowledge
3. Ensure Future Relevance of ACC Membership to CV Specialists
4. Implement the Health Systems Strategy
5. Ensure Population Health Management
6. Prepare for the Next Strategic Plan

2023: The ACC is in the process of developing the next Strategic Plan which will run from 2019 through 2023.

More details are available on www.acc.org/StrategicPlan.
UNDERSTANDING ACC GOVERNANCE

The ACC’s governance structure and processes are based on a set of 11 principles approved by the Board of Trustees (BOT) to ensure the College is nimble, strategic, accountable and inclusive of the diverse needs of the global cardiovascular community.

The College is governed by a small, centralized BOT that is strategically focused on the ACC’s mission to transform cardiovascular care and improve heart health. The BOT is supported by six Board standing committees, with additional committees and councils reporting up to these standing committees and responsible for tactical and operational decision-making related to College programs, policies and products.

ACC/ACCF GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLES

**I. Governance Function**

1. The Board is strategically oriented to support the Mission.

2. Governance focus is on strategy and policy, and not on tactical, implementation or management issues.

3. Governance shall operate on the principle of centralized authority and decentralized decision making.

4. The Board must be aware of the needs and challenges of all of the members of the College as they relate to the Mission. It must also ensure multiple mechanisms and avenues for membership voice to be heard at the Board level.

**II. Governance Structure**

5. Governance structure supports optimum governance function and efficiency, and so Board size and other structural components shall be consistent with best practice evidence and thinking.

6. The Board is the ultimate authority of the College. It appoints an Executive Committee which reports to and is controlled by the Board and has a new explicit charter of its role and authority.

7. The Board determines and maintains appropriate committees with clearly defined roles, functions, authority and accountability, and appoints the members of these committees.

8. A majority of the members of the Board shall be members of the College.

9. The Board shall seek diversity in its membership including but not limited to: expertise; experience; gender; race; geographic location; and age.

10. There shall be a competency-based selection model for composition of the Board, and the committees of the Board.

11. Board members shall not concurrently serve as chairs or members of non-standing committees of the College.
ACC LEADERSHIP AND MEMBER-LED GROUPS

Six Standing Committees:
- Governance
- Membership
- Nominating
- Executive
- Audit and Compliance
- Finance

Nine Major Operating Committees:
- Board of Governors
- Assembly of International Governors
- Section Steering Committee
- Health Affairs Committee
- Science and Quality Committee
- Publications and Editorial Coordination Committee
- Lifelong Learning Oversight Committee
- NCDR Management Board
- Accreditation Management Board

21 Member Sections
48 Domestic Chapters, including Washington, DC and Puerto Rico
40 International Chapters
...and more!

Learn more at acc.org/about-acc/leadership.

LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES: SERVING AS A LEADER AT THE ACC

- Exhibits Influential Leadership
- Maintains Organizational Awareness & Stewardship
- Respects others, is selfless, and is focused on delivering results
- Demonstrates Business-Focused Proficiency
- Anticipates & Leads Change
- Demonstrates Strategic Planning
HOW ARE ACC’S GOVERNING BODIES DEFINED?

Committees
Committees address the ongoing work of the College at the request of the Board.

Work Groups
Work groups report into committees or councils to work on focused projects initiated by that committee or council.

Section
A section is made up of members who actively align themselves around an area of clinical or professional interest.

Section Leadership Council
Sections are governed by a corresponding Section Leadership Council.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2018

Leadership Forum
Friday, January 26

Board of Governors Meeting
Saturday, January 27

Section Steering Committee Meeting
Saturday, January 27

Board of Trustees Meeting
January 27 – Sunday, January 28

ACC.18
March 10 – 12 (Orlando, FL)

2018 BOT Meetings will be held in:
January, March, May, August, October and December

2019

ACC.19
March 16 – 18 (New Orleans, LA)
THE ACC BUDGET PROCESS

MAY – JULY
- GATHER INPUT FROM MAJOR OPERATING COMMITTEES
  - NCDR Management Board
  - Lifelong Learning Oversight
  - Membership Committee
  - Assembly of International Governors
  - Science & Quality Committee
  - Board of Governors
  - Accreditation Management Board
  - Publications & Editorial Committee

- DEVELOP STRATEGIC PRIORITIES
- REVIEW PROPOSED INITIATIVES AND PRIORITIES TO SUPPORT THE STRATEGIC PLAN

AUG. – SEPT.
- STAFF DRAFTS PROPOSED BUDGET
  - EVPs and CEO prioritize initiatives
  - Review “Change Requests” to support the Strategic Plan

OCT. – DEC.
- BUDGET UNDERGOES FINANCE COMMITTEE REVIEW
  - Review proposed budget
  - Support/amend/adjust budget
  - Recommends budget to Board of Trustees for approval

- BOARD OF TRUSTEES BUDGET APPROVAL
  - BOT reviews budget and makes final adjustments
  - Budget approval authorizes resources for coming year

THE ACC BUDGET PROCESS
As volunteer leaders, Trustees, Officers and Committee Members owe fiduciary duties of care, loyalty and obedience to the College.

This means that volunteer leaders must act in good faith, in a manner the individual reasonably believes to be in the best interest of the College, with the care that a person in a like position would reasonably believe appropriate under similar circumstances, and in a manner that ensures that the college complies with applicable law and acts in furtherance of its mission.

Encompassed within the duty of loyalty is an obligation for the volunteer leader to put the interests of the College ahead of the leader’s personal and professional interests when making decisions on behalf of the College.

In order to fulfill this duty and comply with applicable law, volunteer leaders must disclose all financial, personal, volunteer and professional interests and relationships (including those of spouses, other immediate family members and business partners) on an annual basis and as such conflicts arise, in accordance with the College’s Conflict of Interest Policy.

In the event that an existing interest or relationship of a volunteer leader will prevent that individual from acting impartially and in the best interests of the College, the individual should recuse him or herself from any deliberation or decision-making with respect to the matter with which the individual has a potential conflict, and the matter should be determined in good faith by vote of the disinterested volunteer leaders.
RESOURCES FOR ACC LEADERS

Within your specific leadership role, you will receive additional details and documents to assist with your role and responsibilities. Please contact your staff liaison with any questions specific to your leadership position. The resources below are commonly used by ACC leaders and can help you navigate your role.

General Questions or Log-In Information

**ACC’s Resource Center**
**Phone:** 800-253-4636, ext. 5603 or 202-375-6000, ext. 5603  
**E-mail:** resource@acc.org  
**Fax:** 202-375-7000

What Top ACC Communications Should I Look Out For?

**ACC Update:** Weekly newsletter to all ACC members  
**ACC.org:** Provides clinical topic collections and member section pages to tailor your news to your interests or specialty  
**CV News Digest:** Daily e-mail for members with research news, clinical updates, health policy and practice management news.  
**Leadership Alert:** Ad hoc email from ACC Communications Team  
**Social Media:** twitter.com/accintouch  
www.facebook.com/AmericanCollegeofCardiology  
www.youtube.com/ACCinTouch  
www.linkedin.com/groups/732607

Important Digital Resources

**Leadership Portal for BOG:**  
ACC.org/bogportal

**Leadership Portal Slides and Talking Points (all member leaders):**  
ACC.org/leadershipslides

**Disclosures:** http://disclosures.acc.org/ (Note: As a member leader, the completion of your timely and accurate disclosures is essential to enabling the ACC to maintain its commitment to balance, independence, objectivity, and scientific rigor for all activities.)

**Strategic Plan:** ACC.org/StrategicPlan

**Manage Newsletter Preferences:** ACC.org/mynewsletters

**Chapters:** ACC.org/chapters

**MOC Hub:** ACC.org/moc

**MACRA Hub:** ACC.org/macra

**Apps and Mobile:** ACC.org/apps

**CardioSmart:** CardioSmart.org

**Image Library:** ACC.org/slidegallery

**Clinical Topic Collections:** ACC.org/clinical-topics

**Quality Improvement for Institutions:** cvquality.ACC.org (Your gateway to NCDR, ACC Accreditation Services and Quality Campaigns.)

**ACC International Center:** ACC.org/international

**Leadership and Governance:** ACC.org/about-ACC/leadership