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.

2017 LEADERSHIP CALENDAR

CV Summit and Leadership Forum
January 25 – 28 (Orlando, FL)

ACC’s Annual Scientific Session
March 17 – 19 (Washington, DC)

ACC’s Annual Legislative Conference
September 10 – 12 (Washington, DC)

ACC Board of Trustees Meetings:
January 28 – 29 (Orlando, FL)
March 15 (Washington, DC)
May 20 – 21 (Washington, DC)
August 3 – 5 (Retreat – Deerwood, MN)
October 28 – 29 (Washington, DC)
December 2 – 3 (Washington, DC)
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.

Key ACC Staff Contacts for Leaders

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**General Questions or Log-In Information:** ACC’s Resource Center (resource@acc.org)

Important Digital Resources

**Leadership Portal (Talking Points, Slide Sets and More):**
www.acc.org/about-acc/leadership/features/leadership-portal/board-of-governors-portal

**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:** www.acc.org/about-acc/our-strategic-direction

**Manage Newsletter Preferences:** www.acc.org/my-acc/my-communication-preferences

**Chapters:** www.acc.org/membership/chapters

**MOC Hub:** www.acc.org/moc

**MACRA Hub:** www.acc.org/macra

**Apps and Mobile:** www.acc.org/mobileresources

**CardioSmart:** www.cardiosmart.org

**Image Library:** www.acc.org/education-and-meetings/image-and-slide-gallery

**Clinical Topic Collections:** www.acc.org/clinical-topics

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

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

What Top ACC Communications Should I Look Out For?

**ACC Update:** Weekly Newsletter to All Members

**Leadership Alert:** Ad hoc email from ACC Communications Team

**Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn):** twitter.com/accintouch
Welcome to ACC LEADERSHIP 2017 - 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.
Our Mission
To transform cardiovascular care and improve heart health.

Our Vision
The members of the College will dramatically reduce the incidence, severity, and complications of cardiovascular disease as we promote prevention, reduce disparities in health care and improve personal population-based cardiovascular health.

Our Core Member Values
Knowledge, Integrity, Professionalism, Value of the CV Specialist, Member Driven, Inclusiveness.

The American College of Cardiology is a 52,000+ member medical society that is the professional home for the entire cardiovascular care team. The 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.

DATA, INFORMATION & KNOWLEDGE AND ADVOCACY ARE KEY ENABLERS OF THE COLLEGE'S MISSION.
ACC’S 2017 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1. Provide Strategies to Maintain Professional Competency
2. Further Develop and Grow Health Systems Strategy
3. Implement Programs and Initiatives that Support Population Health Management
4. Implement Governance Transformation Plan
5. Ensure Future Relevance of ACC Membership to CV Specialists

UNDERSTANDING ACC GOVERNANCE

The ACC’s governance structure and processes are based on a set of 11 principles approved by the Board of Trustees 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 Board 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.
   4. The Board must ensure it is aware of the needs and challenges of all of the members of the College as it relates to the Mission, and has 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

Leadership Competencies:
Serving as a Leader at the ACC

- Respects others, is selfless, and is focused on delivering results
- Exhibits Influential Leadership
- Maintains Organizational Awareness & Stewardship
- Demonstrates Business-Focused Proficiency
- Demonstrates Strategic Planning
- Anticipates & Leads Change

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

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