

**CSAM-SMCA Executive Meeting**

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

6:00pm – 7:00pm (MST)

**Minutes**

Present: J. Brasch    M. Willows    P. Sobey    D. Martell    L. Fiorante  
          B. Hebert (recorder)

1. Call to Order: 6:02pm MST – J. Brach
2. Review Meeting Minutes from September 8, 2021 (Appendix #1)
  - No edits to the last meeting minutes
3. Choosing Wisely Recommendations Distribution – D. Martell
  - Revision of the recommendations have taken place by the CSAM-SMCA Policy Committee
  - Once approved by the CSAM-SMCA Executive the recommendations can be distributed to the wider membership
  - Recommendations will be sent to the Executive for review and approval
4. Safe Supply Work Within Policy Committee – D. Martell
  - At the Policy Committee meeting after the annual conference there was a discussion held about where the committee should focus its efforts in 2022
    - i. There was a consensus about exploring Safe Supply (the committee wanted to do a comprehensive literature review)
  - Before beginning work on the topic of safe supply the committee wanted approval from the CSAM-SMCA Executive to explore this work
    - i. This exploration of work has been approved by the CSAM-SMCA executive
  - The goal of the project will be to formulate a sensible policy around Safe Supply given the greyness of evidence
  - D. Martell to keep the Executive posted on the progress of the project
5. CSAM-SMCA Membership Fees, Forms and Structure
  - CMA Affiliate Organizations
    - i. At the 2021 AGM a question was brought forward about the status of our partnership with the CMA

- ii. J. Brasch investigated the item and confirmed that CSAM-SMCA holds an Associate Society status with CMA
  - iii. This status will not be affected once we expand our membership to other regulated health professionals
- Membership Definitions
  - i. Voting Members
    - 1. Registrant of a Canadian healthcare self-regulatory and licensing body (a “Regulator”) and be in good standing with the Regulator.
    - 2. or a PhD level researcher
    - 3. Involved in addiction medicine
    - 4. Entitled to notice of and to vote at all meetings of the Members of the Corporation
  - ii. Associate Member
    - 1. Involved in addiction medicine
    - 2. Not eligible for membership as a Voting Member
    - 3. All students are eligible for Associate membership
    - 4. Entitled to receive notice of and attend all meetings of the Members of the Corporation, but not entitled to vote
  - iii. Honourary Member
    - 1. Appointed by a majority decision by the Board of Directors to by reason of outstanding service to CSAM-SMCA
- Membership Fees
  - i. Voting member
    - 1. Practicing physician: \$250
    - 2. Other health care professionals: \$150
    - 3. early career physicians and other healthcare professionals (less than 3 years in practice), residents and fellows: \$100
    - 4. Associate member
    - 5. \$80 per year
    - 6. Students: complimentary; \$20 for subscription to CJA
    - 7. Honourary member Complimentary
- Proposed Member benefits
  - i. Discounts to attend CSAM conferences and courses
  - ii. Subscription to CJA
  - iii. Can view posting in our job opportunity listings
  - iv. Can post vacancies for jobs in the field of addiction medicine in Canada
  - v. Listing in and Access to the membership directory
  - vi. Eligible to join CSAM committees and BOD
  - vii. Available to view the October 2021 Fundamentals course presentations on demand (Available until April 1st)

- viii. Listing of advanced training opportunities in addiction medicine in Canada (coming soon)
- ix. Eligible to apply for a CSAM-SMCA Grant (up to \$5000 to support an educational, research or clinical project related to addiction medicine)
- x. Students can apply for bursaries to attend the annual CSAM conference
- xi. Opportunity to join/start a special interest group
- xii. Opportunity to contribute to advocacy for current issues in addiction medicine
- xiii. Physicians can apply for certification by CSAM
- xiv. Opportunity for members to have their innovative work or research profiled in the newsletter
- B. Hebert Future to do list
  - i. Add Job postings to the monthly newsletter
  - ii. Create advertising opportunity package for CSAM-SMCA
  - iii. Explore member directory communication methods
  - iv. Post pre-recorded 2021 Fundamentals on the website until April 1<sup>st</sup>

6. Next Meeting: J. Brasch to Book

7. Adjournment: 7:09 MST – J. Brasch