



## PARTNERSHIP for the ACCURATE TESTING of HORMONES

### STEERING COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER July 29, 2022

#### PATH UPDATES

- **PATH Activities Seeking Volunteers** – The Steering Committee has identified the following activities to pursue this Fall, and we need member input and participation:
  - ✓ **Certified Assays** -An upcoming activity will be creating a user-friendly version of the list of CDC-certified participants to include on the PATH website. This [list](#) is housed on the CDC website, but there are limitations on how the information can be presented and it is very technical. Workgroup members are needed to assist with adapting the list and making it easier for providers, patients, insurers, and researchers to use. If you can help with this activity, please contact Mila Becker at [mbecker@endocrine.org](mailto:mbecker@endocrine.org) by August 15.
  - ✓ **Education for Primary Care Physicians** – During the PATH meeting, the Steering Committee expressed interest in developing a fifth educational module that would be targeted to primary care physicians as part of our educational series on hormone testing. PATH Co-chair Alvin Matsumoto has volunteered to develop an outline and we are looking for volunteers to work with him on the development of this module. If you can help with this activity, please contact Mila Becker at [mbecker@endocrine.org](mailto:mbecker@endocrine.org) by August 15.
- **PATH Accurate Hormone Testing Series** - As reported during the Steering Committee meeting, the [PATH Accurate Hormone Testing Series](#), a 4-part online course designed to educate fellows and endocrinologists on the importance of, and methods to ensure, accurate hormone testing, has been very well received. We strongly encourage all Steering Committee member organizations promote these complimentary courses to your memberships on your websites and through communications. Please talk to your organization's leadership and/or staff and share our [social media toolkit](#) (password = hormones) for templates for member emails, newsletter articles, and posting on social media.

Each module is eligible for 1.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits and is available at no charge as part of the Endocrine Society's Fellows Training Series and the Society's public online education course catalogue. Additional details about the series, including learning objectives and registration are available at:

<https://education.endocrine.org/URL/AccurateHormoneTesting>

➤ **PATH Steering Committee Annual Meeting Minutes & Slide Deck –**

For your reference, please see links to the Annual Meeting [minutes](#) and [slide deck](#).

## **NEWS FROM CDC**

➤ **CDC's Clinical Standardizations Programs Updates –** CSP has provided several [updates](#) of interest to PATH members. Of interest:

- ✓ Thyroid Function Tests Standardization for FT4
- ✓ Cardiovascular Disease Biomarker Standardization Programs
- ✓ Hormone Standardization Programs (CDC HoSt) & Vitamin D Standardization-Certification Program (CDC VDSCP)
- ✓ New Programs and Services for Biomarker Measurements

**If your organization has news to share about what it is doing related to hormone testing, please send to [mbecker@endocrine.org](mailto:mbecker@endocrine.org) so we can forward to the PATH Steering Committee and/or include in our next newsletter.**

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