

PARTNERSHIP for the ACCURATE TESTING of HORMONES

STEERING COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER May 17, 2022

PATH UPDATES

Follow-up from APRIL 2022 PATH Steering Committee Meeting –

Thanks to all who were able to attend our PATH Steering Committee Meeting on April 20th. Minutes from the meeting will be distributed separately. There are several follow-up activities for which we are looking for Steering Committee member feedback:

- Priority Hormone List All PATH Steering Committee members are asked to review the PATH list of hormones with high need for standardization. Please visit this <u>link</u> and provide feedback on the online form by <u>Friday</u>, June 3, 2022.
- Educational Materials for Primary Care Physicians The Steering Committee agreed that it would like to create educational material specifically designed for primary care physicians. We are looking for volunteers to be part of a small subgroup to work on this. Please contact <u>mbecker@endocrine.org</u> by <u>June 3, 2022</u>
- Revising List of Certified Assays The Steering Committee also discussed reviewing the CDC list of certified assays and revising it to be a more user-friendly document to post on the PATH website. We are looking for volunteers to be part of a small subgroup to work on this. Please contact <u>mbecker@endocrine.org</u> by <u>June 3, 2022</u>

PATH Fellows Training Series – As reported during the Steering Committee meeting, the <u>PATH Accurate Hormone Testing Series</u>, 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 see our <u>social media</u> <u>toolkit</u> (password = hormones) for templates for member emails, newsletter articles, and posting on social media.

This 4-module series focuses on different aspects of accurately testing and reading hormone assays. Each module includes a didactic lecture, examples, and case-based questions to test knowledge. Module 1 focuses on the importance of hormone

measurements and assay standardization. Module 2 focuses on hormone types and characteristics of an ideal assay. Module 3 focuses on methods used to measure hormones and validation/judging the quality of an assay. The final module explores factors affecting the interpretation of hormone concentrations.

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 objections and registration are available at:

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

NEWS FROM STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Endocrine Society – ENDO 2022 will take place June 11-14 2022 in Atlanta, Georgia. This year we are offering registrants the option to attend our meeting either in person or virtually, so you are able to participate as you prefer. Our program features more than 100 in-person and virtual sessions and an additional 50+ in-person only sessions. Register at <u>https://endo2022.endocrine.org/Registration</u>

If your organization has news to share about what it is doing related to hormone testing, please send to <u>mbecker@endocrine.org</u> so we can forward to the PATH Steering Committee and/or include in our next newsletter.

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