



PARTNERSHIP for the ACCURATE TESTING of HORMONES

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PATH UPDATES

➤ **Promotion of PATH Educational Modules on Accurate Hormone**

Testing - 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, continues to be received and seen as a valuable educational resource. 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>

➤ **Next Up on PATH Agenda**

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 by November 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 by November 15.

Annual Meeting – We are currently planning for the PATH Annual Meeting this Spring. Please keep an eye out for details and let us know if you have any agenda items you would like considered.

- **Meet New NACDD Staff** – Laura DeStigter who served as the PATH program officer from the NACDD has moved on to other projects. I know PATH members enjoyed working with her on the annual meeting and member recruitment and she did much to advance PATH's agenda. Replacing her is Natasha McCoy. Please see below for more details and join me in welcoming her.



Natasha M. McCoy, MPH is a Senior Public Health Consultant for the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors and is the new lead for the PATH project. Before working with NACDD, Natasha served as the Director of the Diabetes Prevention and Control Program for the Louisiana Department of Health and as the Interim Director of Prevention Programs at

Oversight and support are now provided by Daphnie Loriston, MPH, NACDD Portfolio Program Manager, and Kelly Durden, MA, NACDD Associate Director of Program Implementation.

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

VISIT THE PATH WEBSITE WWW.HORMONEASSAYS.ORG

PATH MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS ANNUAL MEETING CALENDAR – Please see below for information about upcoming PATH Member Organizations’ annual meetings. If your organization is not listed and has an upcoming meeting/event scheduled that would be of interest to PATH members, please contact mbecker@endocrine.org to add to our list.

Organization	Meeting Date	Meeting Location
Endocrine Society	June 15-18, 2023	Chicago, IL
American Association for Clinical Chemistry	July 23-23, 2023	Anaheim, CA
American Society for Bone and Mineral Research	October 13 - 16, 2023	Vancouver, BC, Canada
American Thyroid Association	September 27 – October 1, 2023	Washington, DC
American Urological Association	April 28 – May 1, 2023	Chicago, IL
Androgen Excess and Polycystic Ovary Syndrome Society	Info coming soon	
Association of Public Health Laboratories	May 22-25, 2023	Sacramento, CA
College of American Pathologists	October 7-10, 2023	Chicago, IL
International Society of Andrology	April 19-23, 2023	Boston, MA
Mass Spectrometry Applications to the Clinical Laboratory (MSACL)	April 3-6, 2023	Monterey, CA
North American Menopause Society	September 27-30, 2023	Philadelphia, PA
Pediatric Endocrine Society	May 5-8, 2023	San Diego, CA