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Symposium Keynote Speaker -Marilyn Neder Flack



Marilyn Neder Flack joined AAMI as VP for Patient Safety Initiatives and Executive Director of the AAMI Foundation and the Foundation's Healthcare Technology Safety Institute (HTSI) in September, 2013. Flack develops and implements HTSI's strategy to strengthen the development, management, and use of medical technology for improved patient outcomes, develops technology-related safety metrics, leads research efforts, and does fundraising for the organization.

Prior to joining AAMI, Flack was director of the Division of Patient Safety Partnerships at the FDA's Office of Surveillance and Biometrics in the Center for Devices and Radiological Health, where she worked with the nation's thought-leaders to solve problems with the use of medical devices, and participated in technology-related research. She has previous experience working as the director for clinical research and regulatory affairs for a medical device company, working as a premarket reviewer for FDA, and working in a variety of patient settings as an audiologist.

Flack holds a BA in speech-language pathology/audiology from Douglass College/Rutgers University; an MA in audiology from the University of Maryland; a master's certificate in project management from George Washington University; is a certified Project Management Specialist (PMP); and is a member of the Joint Commission's Patient Safety Advisory Group.

We are thrilled to have Marilyn joining us this year for the symposium and know that her shared expertise will benefit all in attendance.

Calling All Field Service Reps

If you are a field service engineer then you are the eyes and ears of Healthcare Technology Management in our state. We want to hear from you who it is you believe are the best biomedical departments in the state. Read the description below and nominate your favorite shop today!

Shop of the Year Award

Do you have, or know of a Biomedical Engineering shop worthy of special recognition? In honor of Kevin Scoggin, the North Carolina Biomedical Association (NCBA) is accepting nominations for the new Kevin Scoggin Biomedical Shop Recognition Program.

In each Newsletter, the NCBA Board of Directors will recognize one nominated shop in a feature article that demonstrates some of the special and or unique things that they are doing in an effort to demonstrate and promote the value of the Biomedical profession within their organization.

During the NCBA Symposium Business Luncheon, one shop will be identified as the Kevin Scoggin / NCBA Shop of the Year. As part of this recognition, the NCBA will sponsor a luncheon for the selected shop and feature them in the newsletter following the Symposium.

If you know of a shop deserving of this special recognition named to honor the memory of one of our Honorary Members, Kevin Scoggin, please submit an email about the shop describing why you believe they deserve this special recognition along with a completed nomination form.

Please submit all completed nomination forms to ShopOfTheYear@ncbiomedassoc.com.

Summer Training Trifecta Update

The NCBA takes great pride in the practical training opportunities provided to its members. We are excited to announce three great courses that will take place this summer. Here are the details:

June 9 – 12 2015 *Complete* GE Carescape B850/650 Class

Kevin Jackson - Instructor Location: Rex Healthcare _Raleigh, NC \$5000 per student (\$7585 value)

Today is the final day of our GE Carescape training and it was a huge success. The classes filled up quickly thanks to the more than 33% discount and the convenient location for NCBA members.

June 15 – 18 *Complete*Biomed Certification Class

John Noblitt - Instructor Location: Horizon CSA Center_ Mooresville, NC \$350 per student

This class begins on Monday. If you are interested in becoming a CBET you do not want to miss this opportunity.

The NCBA proudly presents its 2015 Biomed CBET Study and Preparation Class Offered by one of the premier biomed instructors in the country. This class will Provide review opportunities of the key areas of the ICC CBET exam and better prepare you for a more successful outcome to becoming a certified biomedical technician. Offered this year at the Horizon CSA Center in Mooresville, NC, do not miss the opportunity to advance your skill set and your career as a HTM professional.

John Noblitt is the Director of the Biomedical Equipment Technology Program for Caldwell Community College located in Hudson, North Carolina. He is a long standing, active member of the North Carolina Biomedical Association Board of Directors.

July 10th 2015 *Class is Full*

Smiths Medical Medfusion 3000/4000 Series Syringe Pump Training Class

Mike Machtemes – Instructor Location: Rex Hospital _ Raleigh, NC \$450 per student

This course will provide the opportunity for the attendee to become certified in the maintenance, service, calibration and functional check out of Medfusion 3000/4000 Series Syringe Pumps.

Mike Machtemes CBET has been a biomedical professional since 1980. He is the technical coordinator for Smiths Medical and has been with the company since 2006.

Registration can be found on the website. Seats are limited and these classes will fill up, so register today!

New Board Member - Terry Morris



Terry Morris is the Regional Service Specialists for the Mid-Atlantic region for Draeger. Mr. Morris brings 24 years' experience in the biomedical field. He has worked as an in-house biomed and for an OEM. Terry's responsibilities as Regional Service Specialists are to help drive key performance indicators such as inventory levels and utilization measurements. While maintaining his monthly work load of pms and service calls, also mentor for new hires. The majority of his career has been with Draeger, 15 years, where he enjoyed building relationships with biomed techs across NC, SC, TN and VA. He was recently recognized as being the Technical Service Representative of the year for the Mid-Atlantic Region with the Zenith Award from Draeger.

He graduated Stanly Community College in 1989 with an Associate degree in Biomedical Equipment Technology. He has a passion for serving the community through biomedical work. He was blessed to travel on a mission trip to Haiti after the earthquake of 2010 and work at a hospital in Port du Prince. It was one of the most rewarding trips of his life. He has a view of the biomedical technician's job as serving humanity every day with maintaining the equipment that improves, maintains and saves lives.

He could not travel and do his job without the help from his wonderful family, Bonnie his wife and Makaela his daughter (a rising high school sophomore). He loves the outdoors whether it is fishing, hunting or boating, he enjoys it all. He lives in the Hendersonville area where he can turkey hunt and fly fish. He and his family usually go boating on Lake James or Jocassee. It is a true honor to serve on the board of the NCBA.

NCBA Board of Directors/Meet the Candidates - Codi Nelson



Codi Nelson CBET, is a BMET III with Horizon-CSA at Iredell Memorial Hospital in Statesville NC. He has been employed in the HTM field for over eight years in various facilities and companies. The last four years of his HTM career he has served on the Board of Directors for the North Carolina Biomedical Association. While serving on the NCBA Board of Directors, Codi has performed the duties of Treasurer for the organization along with serving as the Vendor Coordinator for an additional 3 years. In 2014, Codi was awarded the NCBA President's Award for outstanding service to the organization. This award was presented to Codi by Mr. Glenn Scales, CBET-E who is one of the founding members of the NCBA.

While at Iredell Memorial/Horizon-CSA Codi fills many roles as he services and manages equipment in the departments of anesthesia, cardiac catherization, diagnostic ultrasound, radiographic dye injectors, telemetry, and many other medical devices found in today's healthcare delivery system. In addition to these duties he also provides reporting to administration within the Hospital and Horizon-CSA, and serves on various committees within the hospital.

Codi holds his Associates of Applied Science in Biomedical Equipment Technology from Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute, and achieved his Certified Biomedical Equipment Technician status from the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation in 2011.

He was born and raised in North Carolina, and enjoys many hobbies including fine automobiles, football, and fishing when he can find time. He is married to his high school sweetheart and has a beautiful 11 month old daughter

We Need You!

Got Ideas?



...Then join the NCBA Board of Directors!

We are looking for *new* people with *fresh* ideas to serve on the board.

Biomed, service rep, imaging specialist, sales rep, etc... the Board of Directors wants you!



If you are interested in serving or learning more, please contact Casey Smith at: casey.smith@crothall.com

*By showing interest, you are not obligated to serve on the Board of Directors.

Is Something on Your Mind?

...if so, we would love to hear from you. We know there is a wealth of knowledge (and opinions) from the members of the NCBA and we will publish the most interesting, thoughtful, informative, or entertaining post we get! The article needs to be 250-500 words.

Send your submissions to benjamin.scoggin@sodexo.com.

2015 Symposium

This year's symposium is quickly approaching. Stay tuned for our training opportunities that will take place this year. The board of directors is very excited about the courses that will be offered in September. Registration opens now!



North Carolina Biomedical Association Symposium and Vendor Expo

Keynote Address by Marilyn Neder Flack, Executive Director of the AAMI foundation and Senior VP of Patient Safety Initiatives. She will speak on being more engaged in the HTM profession and becoming part of the solution to patient safety in your facility.

OEM Certified Training on the Force FX-C and the Force Triad and Capsule Middleware.

More Education full day class presented by Mr. Jim Welch, EVP Sotera Wireless on Alarms Management, JC Complicance, Drager Perseus Anesthesia, PACS Troubleshooting, Skytron Surgical Tables, Karl Storz OR Video Integration, MS Windows 10 & Office 2016, CHTM Certification Review, HL7 Interface to EMR's and many more!

Guests may book their reservations by either:

- 1) Going online to www.embassysuitesconcord.com
 - 1. Make a reservation
 - 2. Select dates of your stay
 - 3. Add special rate codes
 - 4. Group code: BIO
- 2) Calling the Hotel direct at 704 455 8200 and speaking to our reservations department; please ask for group BIO
- 3) Calling 1 800 EMBASSY and let the reservationist know that you're looking to book with the group code BIO.

The cutoff for making reservations is on 8/1/2015

In Case You Missed It!

The NCBA is now entering our last year of our contract with Embassy Suites Convention Center in Concord, NC. We have enjoyed our stay at the Embassy Suites Convention Center, but after careful consideration of many possible sites we have finally come up with a decision that we feel will greatly benefit our organization for years to come.

We are going back to Pinehurst!

The NCBA Board of Directors has been able to negotiate a 3 year contract with Pinehurst Resort that includes a great deal on individual room night costs (\$159.00 a night!) and a great deal on golf (\$69.00 per round at \$#1, \$#3, or \$#5!). The dates selected are \$8/23/2016 - \$8/26/2016, \$8/22/2017 - \$8/25/2017 and \$8/21/2018 - \$8/24/2018. We look forward to calling Pinehurst the home of the NCBA Symposium once again in 2016.



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