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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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Greetings members,

2021 was a year to remember. In April, the Education Committee provided a virtual session: Help! I've Been Assigned to Blood Bank! The panelist did a great job answering questions and giving helpful tips for reducing anxiety when you feel like blood bank has evolved faster than you can keep up with the changes.

For the 67th Annual Meeting, Planning Committee members worked very hard to provide the best educational experience at minimal cost. Our virtual conference included a new option for a lunchtime intermission where attendees could chat with vendors in breakout rooms. Attendees could see new product brochures and get questions answered about new products, services and equipment.

I would like to give a special thank you to all the committee members for their continued efforts in improving our local organization. Just as in previous conferences, the speakers from across the nation were engaging and insightful.

We are always looking for fresh ideas and new members. If you are interested and want to share your talents, please contact any board member or committee member. This organization has a long history of mentorship which will help you grow your

leadership skills. I can attest to the rewarding relationships I have gained through networking in our local association. I look forward to seeing you at our next Annual Meeting which will be held on September 21 and 22, 2022.

Sheri Hugan, 2021 MABB President

Our Annual Meeting Planning Committee members are working hard to provide another great educational experience. Plan on joining us September 21st and 22nd at Schoolcraft College's VisTaTech Center for our first live meeting since 2019. This will also be a great opportunity to see all the new products, services, and equipment that will enhance your blood bank.

Dr. Barry Siegfried, 2022 MABB President

Summary of the 2021 MABB Annual Meeting

In accordance with the MABB mission statement, the 67th Annual Meeting program consisted of many diverse topics with a linked theme of promoting the highest standard of patient care for our respective patient populations. The meeting was held on the 22nd and 23rd of September 2021, and it was an online meeting through Zoom.

The 1st day of the meeting began with an introduction and welcome by Sheri Hugan, the 2021 President of MABB. Sheri introduced our Kay Beattie Award recipient Mary A. Lieb. Mary is a technical and quality consultant and currently serves as Interim Quality Director and Technical Consultant at the Blood Bank of Hawaii. She is well known for her expertise in blood bank quality and for her ability to teach her skills to others. She began her career by earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Medical Technology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and proceeded to achieve Specialty Certification in Blood Banking from the American Society of Clinical Pathology, Quality Auditor Certification from the American Society of Quality, and Green Belt Certification in Lean / Six Sigma Methodologies. She acts as an AABB assessor and College of American Pathologists inspector. In her lecture, Mary reviewed the history of quality and compliance for transfusion services and blood centers, discussed the evolution of the blood banking industry and how quality has impacted leadership, and how the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted our roles for leadership and training in the future.

The meeting progressed with a lecture on bacterial contamination of platelets presented by Dr. Ryan Metcalf from the University of Utah and ARUP Laboratories. Then Amy Dixon, Vice President of People and Culture at EEI Global, Inc, Rochester Hills, MI, talked about how ambiguity impacts individuals and teams, and what tools and techniques are available to deal with uncertainty and ambiguity. CAR-T cells structure, function, and indications, and how to recognize the role of transfusion medicine services in the care of patients receiving CAR-T cell therapy were discussed by Dr. Suzanne Thibodeaux from Washington University School of Medicine in St Louis, St Louis, MO.

Dr. Craig Fletcher from Beaumont Health gave a lecture on the potential consequences and benefits of incompatible blood component transfusions. The afternoon concluded with the Clinical Case Studies session which was organized and moderated by Dr. Chisa Yamada, and it included three presentations given by Drs. Thomas Herb (University of Michigan), Oluwayomi Oyedeji (Henry Ford Hospital), and David Nai (University of Michigan).

The 2nd day of the meeting started with a talk on autoimmune hemolytic anemia by Dr. Anne Eder from the Office of Blood Research and Review, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research of the Food and Drug Administration. Blood group antigens and their impact on transfusion medicine were presented by Dr. Geoff Daniels who is the former Head of Reference Services at the International Blood Group Reference Laboratory, Bristol, UK. Dr. Walter Kelley from the American Red Cross gave a talk on the appropriateness of apheresis for treating illness using evidence-based guidelines, mechanics and pathophysiology of apheresis, and replacement fluid options and potential adverse events of apheresis.

A discussion on leadership, understanding of leadership responsibilities, and the best route to attain leadership was given by Salika Devine, Billie Ketelsen, and Krystal Johnson. Dr. James Stubbs from Mayo Clinic at Rochester gave a lecture on the current status and vulnerability of platelet supply in the United States, and current status of safety utilizing paid donors in the plasma industry. Finally, a session on Serologic Case Studies was presented by Loretta Dickinson (Michigan Medicine), Dr. Kevin Ginnebaugh (Henry Ford Hospital), and Alyse Gschwender (American Red Cross).

Thank you, 2021 Annual Meeting Vendors!





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2021 MABB Fall RAP Session

On December 8th, 2021, the MABB Education Committee hosted a Virtual RAP Session entitled "Addressing Shortages of Both Blood Products and Personnel". The RAP session featured a diverse panel to discuss the impact of these shortages on blood banks as well as strategies employed by various institutions to manage them. To give perspective on blood shortages as well as recruitment and retention of laboratory personnel, the panel featured the following representatives: Terry Downs, MT (ASCP), SBB, from Michigan Medicine, Teresa Lovins, MT (ASCP), from Beaumont Health - Troy, and Frank Morden, MBA, MLS (ASCP), from Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital. Mariane Wolfe, MS, MLS (ASCP), the MLS Assistant Program Director for Michigan State University, also joined the panel to offer perspective on the efforts of laboratory education programs to address personnel shortages. There was much robust and productive discussion between panelists and the attendees on these critical issues faced by many laboratories across the country.

Keep an eye out for more educational offerings by the MABB!

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