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June 9-11, 2018

Educational Sessions Attract Hundreds

The International Medical Graduates Section (IMGS) launched its 21st Annual Meeting by collaborating for the second year with other groups (sections) to host five joint educational programs on Saturday morning, June 9. These sessions attracted over 300 physicians and guests.

Policy Initiatives Debated and Submitted to HOD

The IMGS Congress Reception and Business held on Saturday, June 9 featured William W. Pinskey, CEO, president from the Educational Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG), who delivered an ECFMG update, and William Owen, Jr., MD, dean/chancellor from the Ross University School of Medicine, who provided a report and statistics on its offshore medical school, Ross University School of Medicine. A total of five policy initiatives were discussed of which three were submitted to the House of Delegates (HOD) business meeting.

The IMGS business meeting was successful in reviewing the items considered for this HOD meeting and was a positive forum for discussing IMGS policy initiatives and organizational reports.

IMGS 2018-2019 Governing Council Members

The education component of the meeting featured several offerings, cosponsored by all AMA members. The 2018-2019 IMGS governing council officers ratified at the meeting include:

- Subhash Chandra, MD, chair
- Kevin King, MD, chair-elect
- Ved Gossain, MD, immediate past chair
- Colonel Ronit Katz, MD, delegate
- Ricardo Correa, MD, alternate delegate
- Guillermo Godoy, MD, at-large member

- Tani Malholtra, MD, resident/fellow

One at-large member vacancy will be filled soon.

IMGS and MAS Caucus Presents Leadership Discussion

The IMGS meeting culminated with the joint IMGS and Minority Affairs Section (MAS) Caucus held on Monday, June 11 and its Busharat Ahmad, MD Leadership Development Program which featured Ardis Hoven, MD, AMA past president, providing a leadership presentation entitled “Climbing the Ladder of Leadership.”