AAN Overview

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Mission
To promote the highest quality patient-centered neurologic care and enhance member career satisfaction

Vision
To be indispensable to our members
AAN Membership
World’s largest professional association of neurologists

28,781 Members
160 Staff
700+ Member Volunteers
CME at 2015 AAN Conferences

• Breakthroughs in Neurology (January 2015)
  ▪ 6.75 CME hours in Stroke (4 programs)

• Annual Meeting (April 2015)
  ▪ 42.75 CME hours in Stroke (9 courses and 10 sessions)
  ▪ 386 total accepted abstracts in the topic of Cerebrovascular Disease presented in platform sessions or as posters

• Fall Conference (to occur October 2015)
  ▪ 1.25 CME hours in Stroke (1 program)
Continuum: Lifelong Learning in Neurology®

- FREE to Residents and Fellows!
- The official CME journal of the AAN
AAN Stroke Guidelines

• Prevention of Stroke in Nonvalvular Atrial Fibrillation

• Periprocedural Management of Antithrombotic Medications in Patients with Ischemic Cerebrovascular Disease
  - Clinician and patient summaries (also translated into Spanish)
  - Case examples
  - Slide sets
Upcoming AAN Stroke Guidelines

• Update: Recurrent stroke with patent foramen ovale and atrial septal aneurysm
• Peri-spinal etanercept
• Prevention of stroke in patients with clinically significant intracranial atherosclerosis
Strong collaboration with AHA

• AAN has affirmed the educational value of over 15 scientific statements/papers developed by AHA
• Our organizations share lists of projects in process in an effort to reduce overlap of topics
• We appoint representatives to each other’s projects for close communication between our societies.
Role of AAN Sections

• Representatives from stroke-related sections (Stroke and Vascular Neurology Section, Endovascular & Interventional Neurology Section) serve on Stroke System Work Group

• Section members provide comment on all stroke related guidelines and measures

• Section members participate in ongoing discussions pertaining to stroke care via listserv

• Current stroke section leadership focused on stroke care in underserved parts of the world
AAN Relationship with NINDS

• Annual Meeting with representatives from NINDS, AAN Science Committee and AAN Government Relations Committee
  ▪ Quarterly follow up conference calls
• Participation in NINDS Nonprofit Forum
• AAN Clinical Research Training Fellowships program is the feeder program for K and/or R grant recipients
• Representatives on AAN committees and subcommittees
Performance Improvement Modules

Currently available
• Acute Stroke Care: Free to AAN members

Coming Soon
• Intracerebral Hemorrhage
Axon Registry Goals

• Axon will support neurologists’ use of data to improve patient care and outcomes.
• Axon will help neurologists meet federal reporting and board certification requirements.
• Axon will demonstrate the value of neurology.
Benefits to Neurologists and AAN

• **Members**
  - Quality improvement including benchmarking
  - MOC Part IV
  - Financial compensation or avoid penalties

• **AAN**
  - Retain or increase members (US and international)
  - Relationships with partners (ABPN, subspecialty societies, etc.)
  - Potential revenue stream from industry - need to be careful
  - Informs educational programs -- gaps in care
Questions?
Thank you!