

ASCLS APPOINTED COMMITTEES

ASCLS Forums: These affiliated groups have independent boards and activities.

Education & Research Fund: Supports scholarly activity dealing with the clinical laboratory profession and provides undergraduate/graduate scholarships. Appointed by the President-Elect and approved by the ASCLS BOD.

Political Action Committee: Works with the Government Affairs Committee to monitor legislation at the local, state and federal level dealing with clinical laboratory issues. Raises funds to support lobbying efforts. Members chosen from each ASCLS Region and approved by the ASCLS BOD.

ASCLS Committees (Participants are appointed by the President-Elect and approved by the BOD)

Abstract and Proposal Review Committee: Assists the Annual Meeting Steering Committee with recommendations of topics and speakers for the Annual Meeting. Reviews and implements policies and procedures for submitting and evaluating abstracts, papers/posters and case presentations for the ASCLS Annual Meeting.

Annual Meeting Steering Committee: Plans scientific sessions and workshops for the Annual Meeting in cooperation with the Continuing Education Advisory Council, Board of Directors and staff.

Awards Committee: Coordinates all activities on publication, description, nomination, selection and presentation of Societal awards.

Bylaws Committee: Receives the proposed changes to the Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation and prepares said Amendments for consideration. Also, Committee examines, considers, and approves appropriate proposed changes to the constitutional codes of constituent societies.

Doctorate in Clinical Laboratory Science Oversight Committee (ad hoc): Coordinates activities related to establishing DCLS programs.

Government Affairs Committee: Assists ASCLS in achieving objectives of influencing the formulation of appropriate public (governmental) policy on health care issues vital to the profession and the public.

Leadership Academy Committee: Develops and implements the curriculum and activities for an intensive year-long experience in leadership issues facing rising leaders within ASCLS

Leadership Development Committee: Cultivates members to encourage those individuals who have indicated a talent and interest in serving in a leadership position.

Membership Committee: Responsible for recruiting new members into ASCLS. Responsible for the retention of members and reactivation of lapsed members.

New Professionals Committee: The New Professionals Committee provides a forum where young professional leaders can clarify the needs and wants of the newest generation within our profession, and communicate them to the Board of Directors for consideration and implementation to meet those needs and wants whenever possible.

P.A.C.E.® (Professional Acknowledgment for Continuing Education) Committee: Serves to accomplish the goal of the P.A.C.E. program which is to create a combined provider approval and education documentation system for creating educational programs for interested allied health professionals.

Patient Safety Committee: Serves to promote member understanding of the laboratory professional's role in patient safety and provides tools, resources and educational materials to improve safety for all patients served.

Product Development Committee: Coordinates the development and maintenance of current publications/products, as well as facilitates the creation of new publications/products.

Professional Standards Oversight Committee: Monitors and evaluates standards that affect Medical Laboratorians addressed in ASCLS documents related to policy, certification, standards of practice, levels and scope of practice, and entry level of curriculum

Promotion of the Profession Committee: This Committee serves to provide the face for the profession in areas of activity that include public relations, image management, and marketing. It provides resources to improve the image of the Society and the profession.

Scientific Assemblies: Serves to provide expert consultation and technical reviewers for such areas as examinations, conventions, continuing education, etc. in discipline-related areas. Every ASCLS member has the opportunity to designate up to two sections in which to participate, according to individual interests.