

## SOGC REGIONAL COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVES REPORT TO COUNCIL

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<b>Regional Committee:</b>	
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<b>Initiatives and Activities of the Junior Members Committee, July 2008-June 2009:</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Addition of "Fellow" representative to the JMC            -Following approval by the SOGC Council, we were able to add an additional member to our committee in the form of a "fellow" representative.            -this year the Fellow chosen to sit on our committee is Dr. Jill Coolen, an MFM fellow in Halifax            -Dr. Coolen has been a very effective and enthusiastic committee member this year            -the Fellow on the JMC will also become our representative to the APOG Subspecialty committee.</li> <li>2. Resident Professional Development Program            -this year we will have 3 sessions for the RPDP participants            "Managing Stress and Life Balance" with Dr. Jeff Dempster and Dr. Tracey Scott            "Setting up a research project, grant writing, and submitting articles for presentation" with Dr. Tim Rowe            "Career planning and practice management, the Do's and Don'ts of setting up a practice" with Dr. Magalie Dube            -the paper that participants are required to submit following the Program in order to receive full funding will focus on how the participants hope to use the information they gained at the Program to share with other residents in their programs.</li> <li>3. Promotion of the Specialty            -working with the Promotion of the Specialty Committee, the JMC has helped to organize the "Residency Fair" at the ACM            -Junior Members will also participate in the hands-on sessions for the students at the ACM, and participate in the Panel Discussion session.</li> <li>4. Research            -SOGC/CNGOF Award will be given to the best Junior Member research project at the ACM. The winner will be funded to attend the CNGOF meeting and present their research there.</li> <li>5. Fellowship Guide            -with the help of Jill Coolen and all of the JMC members, the Fellowship Guide will be updated and distributed again this year.            -Future possibilities could include a "Fellowship Fair" as part of future ACMs.</li> <li>6. Improved communications            -the JMC adopted "improving communications" as our theme this year. Each full committee teleconference included an update from two or three schools on communications concerns or innovations they were facing within their programs.</li> <li>7. Mentorship program            -an informal mentorship program for Junior Members is a work in progress.</li> <li>8. Promotion of JMC resources to Junior Members            -a powerpoint presentation was put together this year to be presented by Junior Member reps at each university to promote all of the resources and initiatives that are available to Junior members through their SOGC membership. This powerpoint presentation can also be accessed online through the SOGC website.</li> <li>9. Finances            -a change was made in the way we distribute funding for RPDP participants and Junior Member Committee representatives in order to try and maximize participation in the ACM by as many Junior Members as possible.</li> <li>10. ACM Fun Stuff!!            -we had a large number of submissions this year to the "Stump the Professor" contest.            -"Creativity Contest", the JMC has had a writing contest the last few years with the prize being funding for attendance at the ACM. This year we broadened it to a "creativity contest", where Junior members were encouraged to submit a creative works on the topic of "What inspired me to pursue a career in Obstetrics and Gynecology" Stay tuned for the announcement of the winner!            -Resident Fun Night will be on Saturday June 20 at the "Tap Room" on the Halifax waterfront. See you there!!!</li> </ol>	
<b>Awards/Nominations:</b>	
<b>Fee Negotiation Update:</b>	
<b>Obituary:</b>	
<b>Other:</b> The Junior members Committee will be meeting during the ACM on the afternoon of June 20.	