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Abstract Review Process Underway

This year's Call for Abstracts attracted 28 submissions from throughout the US, the United Kingdom, Canada and Australia. Nineteen members of the Abstract Review committee began the review process in mid-November. Final reviews were completed on December 10 at which time the analysis of the data began.

Six oral presenters and thirteen poster presenters will be determined for participation at EMS Today in March 2001. In addition four abstracts will be selected for oral presentation at NAEMSE in September 2001. Submitters will be notified of the

status of their research in early January 2001. Thank you to everyone who submitted research this year and to those who contributed to the review process.

Due to the number of abstracts received in 2000 the supplement may be downsized accordingly. While we employed similar marketing this year as in previous years, traditionally we receive more than double the number of submissions as were received. Please contact Edith Pryor at epryor@mednet.ucla.edu if you have any thoughts or suggestions as to ways to increase these numbers in 2001.

PARTNERSHIP 2001

Each year we develop a promotional package highlighting the goals and activities of PCRFF. This package is sent to existing Partners as one way to keep them up to date on the Forum and express our continued appreciation of their financial support. The information is also sent to a select group of organizations and manufacturers as an invitation to partner with us. To date Ferno, Jems, Laerdal, Mallinkrodt Nellcor Oximetry, Medtronic Physio-Control, SSCOR and Zoll have made a commitment to the Research Forum for 2001,

with several others working to finalize details for support. We thank all of our Partners for their generous dedication! If you know of an organization that may be interested in getting to know the Prehospital Care Research Forum, please contact Edith Pryor at epryor@mednet.ucla.edu for an information packet.

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It's just a hop, skip and a jump until.....



EMS Today 2001

March 13-17, 2001
Baltimore, Maryland



Prehospital Care Research Forum Pre-conference Workshop

Demystifying Prehospital Research *Managing Data to Improve Everything You Do*

Tuesday March 13-14, 2001
\$275 (Includes all materials)

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The goal of Prehospital Care Research Forum workshops is to introduce participants to the importance of research in EMS. To date we have presented the *Demystifying Prehospital Research, Managing Data to Improve Everything You Do* workshop 14 times, reaching nearly 400 EMS professionals. The workshops continue to evolve as we generate feedback from participants; the course syllabus includes over 100 pages of study aids, research articles and literature review guides.

If you are interesting in auditing the workshop to become a facilitator please contact contact Edith Pryor at epryor@mednet.ucla.edu.

Research Curriculum Update

Board member Lawrence Brown has arranged for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to distribute the Prehospital Care Research Forum one-hour presentation to State EMS directors, training coordinators and ALS instructors, with PCRFB receiving credit for its creation. During their next meeting Lawrence will propose that NHTSA add a link to our Web site under "Reference Articles" to enable interested parties to access the presentation on-line.

There is only one sound method of moral education. It is teaching people to think.

Everett Dean Martin



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