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- Vincent Tranchitella, MD

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Dear AANEM Member,

On behalf of our Board, I want to share the outstanding progress made by the American Association of Neuromuscular & Electrodiagnostic Medicine in 2014 toward its vision of ensuring quality neuromuscular (NM) and electrodiagnostic (EDX) care for all patients. Thank you for the contributions you have made.

I am proud of the work that we have accomplished, together, as an association. In today’s rapidly changing healthcare environment, I am encouraged by the AANEM’s ability to be flexible. This association is nimble—we are equipped to address short-term goals while still maintaining our long-term vision. You will read about the work that the association accomplished in 2014 in this report. Its primary purpose is to demonstrate that donations of your time and financial resources are used wisely, efficiently, and effectively.

Also, I want to encourage you to participate in the association through committees and other volunteer opportunities described here. Whether you support the association through your membership dues, meeting attendance, service on a committee, or contributions to the Foundation for Research & Education or Advocacy Fund, your support is critical to the future of AANEM. I want to extend special gratitude to the volunteers that give their time and talents. Your participation strengthens the association’s mission and supports its members, allowing them to better serve patients with muscle and nerve diseases.

Please feel free to contact the AANEM executive office at 507.288.0100 or aanem@aanem.org.

Thank you for your continued support.
AANEM

Vision
To be the premier organization ensuring quality neuromuscular (NM) and electrodiagnostic (EDX) care for all patients.

Mission
To improve the quality of patient care and advance the science of NM diseases and EDX medicine by serving physicians and allied health professionals who care for those with muscle and nerve disorders.

Values

PATIENT CARE:
Supporting the efforts to ensure high quality, cost effective, ethical care for patients

PROVIDER EDUCATION:
Advancing physicians’ and allied health professionals’ care of patients

PROFESSIONALISM:
Developing and promoting best practice standards

POLICY LEADERSHIP:
Defining and advocating for quality patient care

COLLABORATIONS:
Encouraging a multi-disciplinary approach to patient care and developing ethical relationships with others who can advance the industry

2014 Notes

MEMBER SERVICES
Supporting the efforts to ensure high quality, cost effective, ethical care for patients

• Welcomed 254 new physicians, 34 technologists, and four PhD researchers and collaborators into membership

• Streamlined and innovated the member join and renewal processes for the new website to be launched in 2015

• Conducted a survey that provided insight into the most valuable benefits provided to members and areas that can be improved in order to better meet member needs

• Provided ongoing personal assistance to members who contacted the AANEM with questions related to issues impacting their practice

• Delivered news and announcements to members through website updates, 26 e-newsletters, hundreds of Facebook and Twitter posts, four member mailings, and the biannual AANEM News
ADVOCACY

Defining and advocating for quality patient care

- Led AANEM’s first Congressional Hill Day in Washington, DC, meeting with 76 congressional offices to educate and advocate for fair and appropriate reimbursement
- Reviewed and commented on nearly 20 medical policies of public and private payers
- Partnered with several organizations, including CIDP-GBS Foundation International, in drafting a congressional sign-on letter requesting, and successfully obtaining, 2013 EDX claims data
- Worked with the Office of the Inspector General, private payers, and other entities on recognizing and stopping fraud and abuse in EDX medicine
- Updated key AANEM position statements and drafted two new position statements
- Collaborated with American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and American Academy of Neurology at RUC, Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), and AMA House of Delegates meetings to ensure our members have a voice in reimbursement and policy-making
- Provided education on various Medicare incentive programs on the AANEM website and through newsletter articles

“The AANEM offers many valuable benefits. Their educational materials are indispensable to my profession. The monographs, guidelines, and course materials are known internationally.”

- Jim Kimura, MD, Neurologist, University of Iowa College of Medicine

AANEM PHYSICIAN MEMBERSHIP By practice type

27% ACADEMIC
13% HOSPITAL
4% MULTISPECIALTY
52% PRIVATE PRACTICE
4% GOVERNMENT
EDUCATION

Developing and promoting best practice standards

• Planned and held the AANEM 61st Annual Meeting in Savannah, GA:
  ◦ Featured more than 100 sessions including 10 courses, 11 symposia, 49 workshops, nine special interest group sessions, and two half-day plenary sessions focusing on neuromuscular medicine
  ◦ Held a new collaborative session with the Peripheral Nerve Society
  ◦ Conducted a guided discussion with poster presenters selected for the President’s Research Initiative recipients
  ◦ Displayed 177 total posters
  ◦ Hosted the final “EMG Talk,” a session led by Lawrence Robinson, MD, and William Litchy, MD, featuring fictional cases that ran for 19 years
  ◦ Showcased products and services from 50 exhibiting companies

• Developed and proctored the first online EDX and NM Self-Assessment Examinations. The EDXSAE was proctored at 144 institutions for 769 registered candidates, 428 of whom took the online version. The NMSAE was offered to 43 institutions and 91 registered candidates, 80 of whom took the online version.

• Offered new educational resources in the online AANEM Marketplace including:
  ◦ 7 new podcasts
  ◦ 7 invited reviews with CME
  ◦ 4 case studies
  ◦ 4 ethics vignettes
  ◦ Released 2 new DVDs
    ▪ “Repetitive Nerve Stimulation” by Nandedkar Productions
    ▪ “Learn EMG” by Devon Rubin, MD
  ◦ 3 new online learning tools
    ▪ “EMG Waveform Trainer”
    ▪ “Muscle and Anatomy Localization for Needle EMG”
    ▪ 10 new “Real EMG” cases
  ◦ Books
    ▪ Neuromuscular (Rehabilitation Medicine Quick Reference Guide) by Nathan D. Prahlow, MD, and John C. Kincaid, MD
    ▪ Electrodiagnosis in Diseases of Nerve and Muscle by Jun Kimura, MD
    ▪ Pocket EMG by Eric Wisotzky, MD, Victor Tseng, MD, and Dane Pohlman, MD
RESEARCH

*Encouraging a multi-disciplinary approach to patient care and developing ethical relationships with others who can advance the industry*

- Granted International Finance Assistance Award funds to 4 physicians from disadvantaged countries, which allowed them to attend the annual meeting
- Presented a record breaking 27 Junior Member Recognition Awards to residents and fellows who were first authors on abstracts
- Presented Irina Shklyar, MD, with the Golseth Young Investigator Award and Daniel P. Schwards, MD, with the Golseth Runner-Up Award
- Presented K. Ming Chan, MD, with the Best Abstract Award and Alexis Bashinski Shaefer, MD, with the Best Abstract Runner-Up Award
- Granted 10 President’s Research Initiative Awards for research related to “New Technology for Diagnosis and Treatment in Neuromuscular Disease”

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

*Advancing physicians’ and allied health professionals’ care of patients*

- Held the Maintenance of Certification Exam, resulting in 122 test takers with a 95.9% passing rate
- Laid the groundwork to transition the ABEM, MOCP, and CNCT Exams to an online format in 2015
- Grew the AANEM’s EDX Laboratory Accreditation Program to a total of 267, including 174 main labs and 93 satellite labs

AANEM MEMBERS  
*By age Group*

- 26-34: 9%
- 35-43: 18%
- 44-52: 28%
- 53-61: 27%
- 62-75: 16%
- over 75: 2%

AANEM MEMBERSHIP  
*By medical Specialty*

- Neurology: 53%
- PMR: 43%
- Other: 4%
## AANEM • STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (UNAUDITED)

Year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

*Statements do not include AANEM Foundation for Research & Education funds.

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| NET ASSETS              | 8,476,708       | 8,067,718       |
| Total Liabilities and Net Assets | $9,573,168 | $9,386,548 |

## AANEM • STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (UNAUDITED)

Year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

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| OPERATING SURPLUS       | $142,267        | $368,233        |

| Operating Margin        | 4.56%           | 10.90%          |
| Investment Income (AANEM) | 291,723        | 579,690         |
| Transfer to Foundation  | (25,000)        | (25,000)        |
| Change in Net Assets    | $408,990        | $922,923        |
Advocacy Contributors • SEPTEMBER 2013 - DECEMBER 2014 | $30,870

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Make a Difference

Looking to be more involved in the AANEM? We need you!

Hundreds of EDX and NM experts volunteer their time and expertise to serve in a variety of AANEM committees and task forces each year. Volunteers help the AANEM achieve its mission to improve the quality of patient care and advance the science of NM and musculoskeletal diseases.

Visit www.aanem.org/committees for a list of committee descriptions, currently serving committee members, and information on how to become involved.
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