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Upcoming Events - New Horizons Webinar Series - February 15, 2022

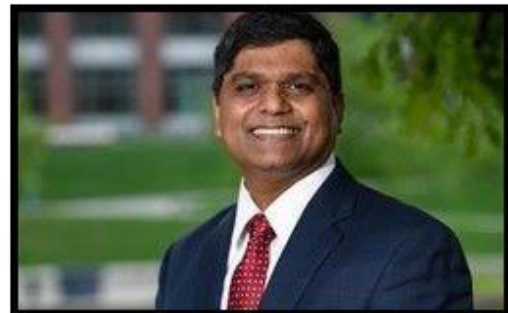
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**Thank you for your Service
[2021-2022 Executive Council and Committees.](#)**



The Society Welcomes the newly formed DEI Ad-Hoc Committee

The Midwestern Vascular Surgical Society is committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in the field of Vascular Surgery.



Message from MVSS President Raghu Motaganahalli



It is a great honor and a privilege for me to serve you as the 44th President of the Midwestern Vascular Surgical Society. I want to thank all the members for entrusting me with this responsibility.

It is hard to imagine it has been three months since we met in person at the 45th Annual Meeting in Chicago. I was truly delighted to see most of you after a gap of two years.

I want to take this opportunity to thank our Immediate Past President, Dr. Kellie Brown, for her Presidential Address and for leading the organization during these difficult times of the pandemic.

[Read more](#)

We value a diverse and culturally competent membership and recognize the negative impact of inequality and bias on healthcare outcomes and the advancement of Vascular Surgery research and education.

The Society has recently formed an Ad-Hoc Committee to address Diversity, Equity and Inclusion under the leadership of Dr. Bernadette Aulivola and Dr. Lee Kirksey.

[Read the Mission Statement](#)

Welcome New Members

In an organization, every member benefits for being part of the group, and the group benefits with every new member. Our Society continues to benefit from the enormous support and involvement from its members.

We encourage all members to attend our educational programs; Annual and Business Meetings and become engaged in the Society through participation on Committees, in our educational programs, submitting and sponsoring your colleagues' abstracts; and encouraging your trainees to participate in the Mock Orals and Medical Student Education Programs.

We welcome the trainees who have joined the Society and we hope to welcome you as an Active Member in the near future.

We would like to acknowledge the following 2021 New Members and Candidate Members who upgraded to Active Membership:

Ayman Eltayeb Elhag Ahmed, MBBS
Naveen Balasundaram, MD, RPVI
Atif Baqai, MD, RPVI
Kapil Gopal, MD, MBA, RPVI
Katherine E. Hawkins, MD, RPVI
Kara Marie Hessel, DO, RPVI
Lindsey M. Korepta, MD, RPVI
Benjamin B. Lind, MD, RPVI
John G. Majub, MD, RPVI
Neel A. Mansukhani, MD, RPVI
Courtney E. Morgan, MD, RPVI
Babatunde A. Oriowo, MD
Andi Peshkepija, MD, RPVI
William P. Robinson, MD, RPVI
Anan N. Tawil, MD
Ashley Vavra, MD
Gabriel A. Wallace, MD, RPVI
Gregory G. Westin, MD, MAS, RPVI
Brian Wheatley, MD, RPVI
Jun Xu, MD, RPVI

Highlights of our New Horizons Webinar Series

The Society is pleased to announce the continuation of its virtual New Horizons Webinar Series under the leadership of the Educational Outreach Committee, Drs. Patrick Muck, Chair, Rachael Nicholson, Co-Chair, Judith Lin, Carlos Bechara and Andrew Hoel.

Our webinars continue to offer outstanding educational topics presented by our diverse membership. The attendance of our 2021 webinars exceeded our expectations and we thank all members who volunteered their time to serve as speakers and moderators, those who attended the webinars and to the generosity of our industry partners.

As we continue to be amidst the pandemic and return to normalcy continues to be challenged, the Society is turning to new learning opportunities such as these webinars. Our Educational Outreach Committee has more in store for the membership. Stay tuned and stay engaged for more exciting webinar offerings.

November webinar, Calcium Management in PAD & EVAR – Covered Stents, Surgical Conduits & Intravascular Lithotripsy", sponsored by Shockwave Medical

*- by Dr. Raghu Motaganahalli, MVSS
President and Division Chief of Vascular Surgery,
Professor of Surgery & Program Director, Indiana
University School of Medicine*

The Society hosted its first webinar for this season in November 2021 focusing on the calcium management in vascular disease. We had an excellent mix of speakers in various stages of their practice who provided perspectives on evidence-based management of calcium in vascular disease.

The Program saw excellent presentations by Dr. Trissa Babrowski, Dr. Abby Rothstein, Dr. Joe Karam and Dr. William Yoon. Myself along with Co-Moderator Dr. Peggy Halandras had an engaging audience with more than 110 members using this opportunity to learn more about managing this common problem in their vascular surgical practice.

Associate Group Members

Sherri Lee Harvey, APRN, NP
Alexis Santee Ranalli, MSN, CNP

Message from Our Membership

Committee - Jill Colglazier, MD, MVSS Chair, Membership Committee and Assistant Professor, Vascular Surgery, Mayo Clinic, Gonda Vascular Center, Rochester, MN

The Membership committee thanks our members for their continued support over the last year. The success of our New Horizons webinar series and programs, such as the Residents' Mock Oral examinations and the Medical Student Program are largely due to the presence and participation of our members.

As we look to the future, we would hope that you encourage your colleagues, fellows, residents, APPs and medical students to take advantage of what MVSS has to offer.

February marks the start of the MVSS membership drive. The voices we can add to the Midwestern Vascular Society only enhance the diversity, strength, and potential impact of one of the largest Regional Societies for vascular surgery.

For any information regarding the Society go to our website:

<https://www.midwestvascular.org>

For Membership Information and Applications go to [Join MVSS](#)

Congratulations 2021 Research Award and Poster Competition Winners

We would like to recognize and congratulate our Midwest Vascular 1 2021 Research Award and Poster Competition Winners.

2021 D. Emerick Szilagyi Award

Katherin E. Leckie, MD

Indiana University School of Medicine & Public Health, Indianapolis, IN

2021 Charles C. Guthrie Award

William James Melvin



January webinar, "Venous Thromboembolism : Iliofemoral DVT Therapies, IVC Filter Management and IVC Reconstructions was also a success. We thank Penumbra for sponsoring our January program -

by William J. Yoon, MD, Clinical Director of the Aortic Program, NorthShore University HealthSystem Cardiovascular Institute
Clinical Assistant Professor, University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine

The first webinar of the 2022 New Horizons Webinar Series took place on January 11th and was a success. Moderated by two well-known and well-respected vascular surgeons, Dr. M. Ashraf Mansour (Spectrum Health, Grand Rapids, MI) and Dr. Sandra Carr (University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI), The webinar covered different segments of the defined topic including:

- "Iliofemoral DVT - Scope of the Problem and Who To Treat with Endovascular Options" presented by Andrea T. Obi, MD (Michigan Medicine Vascular Surgery Clinic Cardiovascular Center, Ann Arbor, MI);
- "Management Of Iliofemoral DVT & Acute IVC Filter Thrombosis" presented by Mark Broering, MD (TriHealth-Good Samaritan Hospital, Cincinnati, OH);
- "IVC Filter Disasters- Tips & Tricks For Endovascular & Open Surgical Removal" presented by Judith C. Lin, MD (Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, East Lansing, MI);
- "Endovascular & Open Iliocaval Reconstructions" presented by Jill Colglazier, MD (Mayo Clinic Gonda Vascular Center, Rochester, MN).

There were a lot of great takeaways from the presentations. There is no doubt that each participant who attended this live webinar gained a little more knowledge about DVT management. The updated information and knowledge shared by the speakers have certainly created exceptional attendee experiences. On that account, I would like to thank the speakers for all their hard work.

I would also like to take this opportunity to share information about the second Webinar Series, which will be held on February 15th. Refer below to additional

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

2021 John R. Pfeifer Best Venous Paper Award

Brent Robertson, MD

TriHealth, Good Samaritan Hospital,
Cincinnati, OH

2021 Best Poster Award

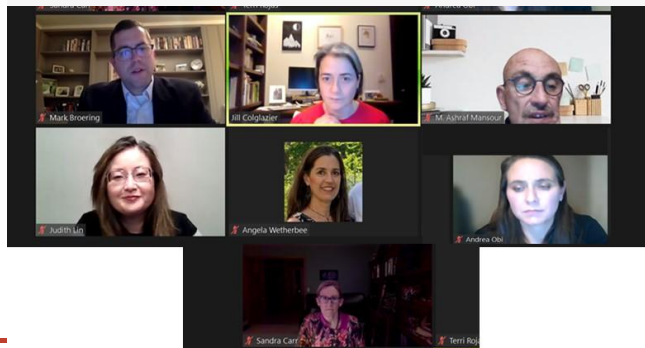
Gloria Y. Kim, MD

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Meet the Winners

information.

I hope that you will register, attend, and benefit from the excellent webinar material to be presented.



2021 Virtual Medical Student Education Program

The **2021 Virtual Medical Student Program** was another resounding success with 50 medical students registered representing 32 institutions. The Society thanks our Medical Student Education Committee under the leadership of outgoing Chair, Dr. Jonathan Bath and Co-Chair Senthil Jayarajan for organizing another outstanding event featuring 11 faculty and Program Directors from 10 institutions.

The Society is planning to return with the hands-on skills session at our 2022 Annual Meeting in Grand Rapids. Visit the website for information to be available soon.



February's webinar will cover topics related to Aortic Aneurysm Management – New Technologies and New Benchmarks for Success on Tuesday, February 15th. Save the date and register now. For a copy of the program and to register visit: <https://www.midwestvascular.org/new-horizons-webinar-series/>

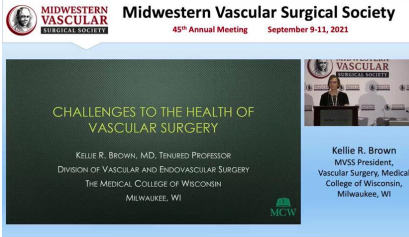
The New Horizons webinars will continue to be offered complimentary to MVSS Members in good standing, advanced practitioners and allied health professionals and trainees.

2021 Mock Orals

The 2021 Mock Orals Program was held virtually on September 9th. 25 Fellows participated representing 20 institutions across the Midwest. The Committee was successful in recruiting more members than required who volunteered to serve as Examiners.

The Society wishes to thank all of these members who volunteered to serve as Examiners and to Dr. Andy Hoel and Dr. Brian Lewis, Co-Chairs, and the entire Mock Orals Committee for organizing another excellent virtual program.

The Mock Orals program will continue to be held virtually in 2022. Please visit the website for dates and information about future programs.



We look forward to seeing you in **Grand Rapids, September 15-17, 2022.**

The Call for Abstracts will be available soon. **Abstract Submission Deadline: Monday, April 18, 2022**

[Keep Updated on Annual Meeting News](#)

Attention Members - 2022 Membership Renewal to be Available Soon

The Society is moving to a new **Member Management portal** that is scheduled to launch in early February.

Visit the **[Membership page](#)** for additional information

