

NEWS

Post-Convention



Teresa Beam, MD, FACS
President

Message from the President

Dear Members:

I would first like to thank the Hoosier speakers, corporate sponsors and IUA members who participated in making the 2014 IUA Annual Meeting the most attended meeting to date! It was held in a beautiful environment, great venue and was a wonderful, collegial gathering to socialize and earn CME for our urological educational endeavors.

The meeting began with an industry-sponsored breakfast, "The Urological Lawsuit Dilemma: Eliminate the Threat of Litigation" by Legally Mine from Orem, UT.

Our day, filled with Hoosier urologic experts/colleagues, began with a series of lectures on the treatment and diagnosis of prostate cancer. Dr. Temel Tirkes spoke to us about the role of MRI for the diagnosis and treatment planning of prostate cancer. Dr. Tom Gardner then reviewed the role of MRI-fused biopsy techniques and novel treatment approaches to localized prostate cancer. The final lecture on this topic was given by Dr. John Cox who spoke to us about the role of radiation therapies in the treatment of localized prostate cancer.

The implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA=ObamaCare) began in 2014, making health policy a topic that, whether we are interested in it or not, is important and has major impacts on our medical practices. Dr. Brad Orris is very involved with our state medical society and gave a very well presented update on state health policy issues, as well as an update/clarification of the new narcotics prescribing laws that went into effect in Indiana in mid-December, 2013. I provided a brief update from the AUA standpoint with a review of the AUA's top 10 health policy priorities for 2014 with emphasis on the topics presented on the Hill from the recent Joint Advocacy Conference (AUA/AACU) in Washington, DC.

The afternoon presentations included a fascinating state-of-the-art update by Dr. Jim Lingeman on kidney stone formation and treatment, complete with interesting videos. Dr. Tracey Ikerd, Infectious Disease Specialist, gave a sobering talk on the state of UTIs and lack of new antibiotics on the horizon for treating our patients with urinary tract infections. The last lecture of the day was an update by Dr. Michael Large on urothelial carcinomas. This was informative and well-received.

As usual, the residents were a big part of the meeting, and we appreciate their efforts in providing interesting or unusual clinical cases.

If there are any suggestions on how to make our 2015 Annual Meeting more meaningful or appealing to a greater number of state urologists, please do not hesitate to let me or anyone on the Board of Directors know your thoughts and ideas. We welcome input from all members!

Hope to see you at the next IUA Annual Meeting in 2015!

With warmest regards,
Teresa D. Beam, MD, FACS
2014-2015 President, Indiana Urologic Association
Partner, Urology of Indiana, LLC

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President-Elect's Report

Dr. Teresa Beam should be congratulated for organizing a timely and relevant educational program at this year's Annual Meeting held at The Alexander Hotel. Additionally, our corporate sponsors should be acknowledged for making our Annual Meeting a financial success. This was a well-attended meeting, providing information for all levels of urologic practice. Prostate cancer continues to be a hot topic. Dr. Temel Tirkes, Indiana University Radiologist, discussed advances in MRI imaging techniques for prostate cancer diagnosis and treatment planning. My presentation was on MRI/US fusion biopsy systems allowing urologist in collaboration with radiologist to move prostate biopsies from blind to guided procedures and provide the possibility of guided focal therapies. Dr. John Cox, Indiana University Radiation Oncologist, updated the group on novel techniques for radiation therapy to treat prostate cancer.

Dr. Bradley Orris of Urology of Indiana provided an update on important health policy issues at the state level and the narcotics prescribing rules that affect urologist daily. He also described how to get involved at the state level to

effect a change in health policy. Dr. Teresa Beam updated the group on health policy issues at the NCS/AUA level. The Indiana University residents presented a number of interesting cases. Dr. James Lingeman, Indiana University Urology, provided an enlightening and thought-provoking update on kidney stones. Dr. Tracey Ikerd, Methodist Infectious Disease, updated the group on highly resistant UTIs. Dr. Michael Large, Urology of Indiana, provided an excellent and comprehensive update on urothelial tumors.

The involvement of both academic and community urologists from around the state, urologic residents, and our colleagues from radiology, radiation oncology and infectious disease, provided a great forum for discussion of clinical practice and health policy concerns facing all of us. I continue to enjoy observing the growth of this organization since its resurrection in 2006 under the leadership of Drs. Steidle, Knapp, Sundaram, Dabagia and Beam. I thank the organization for allowing me to serve as the president-elect and I look forward to next year's program.

Thomas A. Gardner, MD
2014 – 2015 President-Elect, Indiana Urologic Association

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

I would like to extend thanks to all those who attended the 2014 IUA Annual Meeting and spent time interacting with our industry sponsors. The financial health of our organization depends on support from industry. They should be viewed as partners in our goal to develop a strong, active state association dedicated to promoting the clinical and practice interests of Indiana's urology providers.

Dues contributions are also an important part of maintaining a healthy membership. As of this printing, a substantial portion of our membership has not yet paid their 2014 dues. I encourage you to contribute your dues payments as soon as possible, and reach out to your colleagues to do the same.

The IUA Board of Directors recently held a meeting to discuss our current financial position and future strategies, as well as planning for our 2015 IUA Annual Meeting.

We remain steadfast in maintaining a financially strong organization. Thank you for allowing me to serve as your secretary/treasurer.

Ronald S. Suh, MD
2014 – 2015 Secretary/Treasurer, Indiana Urologic Association

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HIGHLIGHTS TO THE BALANCE SHEET

Fund Balance

The IUA fund balance, as of April 30, 2014 totals \$62,127. IUA operates on a calendar period, modified cash basis for accounting purposes. For the period ended April 30, 2014, IUA had an operating surplus of \$8,291.

Assets

Cash held at Chase Bank-Checking

As of April 30, 2014, cash held in the Chase Bank checking account totaled \$62,127.

HIGHLIGHTS TO THE OPERATING STATEMENT

Revenue/Expense Excess

As of April 30, 2014, the period end income is \$8,291.

Revenue

As of April 30, 2014, revenue was \$41,150

Expenses

As of April 30, 2014, expenses totaled \$32,859

Membership

32 members have paid dues and 104 members remain unpaid.

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Message from the President of the IUA/NP/PA Association

Greetings! I would like to start by saying thank you to all the attendees of the Indiana Urologic Association 2014 Annual Meeting. On behalf of the mid-level providers, I would also like to thank Dr. Beam for organizing speakers on several wide ranging, informative topics. I encourage all mid-level providers who have attended to continue to do so, and recruit colleagues to attend future meetings. The networking and educational topics covered are invaluable to your practice.

Best Wishes,
Tracy Mullins, FNP, BC
2014 – 2015 President of the IUA/NP/PA Association

Message from the Representative to the NCS Board of Directors

I continue to be honored to serve the membership of the IUA as the secretary, treasurer, president-elect and representative to the NCS. I have, and will continue to attempt to engage urologists and physician extenders in Indiana to become involved in our state organization. Having presented at several other state organization meetings around the country, I believe attending the state organization Annual Meeting provides not only CME and an update into relevant issues of daily practice, but also and most importantly, the opportunity to share experiences with urologists from around the state. This exchange of ideas will continue to allow the urologists of Indiana to grow as a group and make contributions to the practice of urology. It would be

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excellent if you decided to make attending next year's meeting a priority for next spring. I am sure that Dr. Beam will provide an excellent program. I have also been honored to serve the membership as the Indiana State Representative to the NCS Board of Directors. I am happy to report that the NCS Board of Directors had a productive interim meeting this past January. Dr. Chandru Sundaram provided an educational and entertaining Annual Meeting of the NCS from October 8 – 13, 2013, at the Ritz-Carlton in Naples, Florida. This meeting was a great success on multiple levels. Later this year the NCS Annual Meeting will be held in Section at the Swissotel in Chicago, Illinois. Please feel free to contact me directly at thagardn@iupui.edu, or call (317) 948-3434 (office), or (317) 679-5523 (cell), if I can be of any assistance at the local or section level.

Thomas A. Gardner, MD
2014 – 2015 Representative to the NCS Board of Directors

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Indiana Government Relations & Advocacy Update

During a statewide healthcare “listening tour,” US Rep. Larry Bucshon, MD, R-8th District, said since the introduction of third party payers, the transparency of healthcare costs has faded. He declared the best way to shrink health costs is by making the price and burden of paying for medical procedures more transparent to patients, giving them an incentive to seek lower-cost providers. Dr. Bucshon also recommended providing consumers with “risk stratification” data on the performance of healthcare providers. Empowered with that information, patients will seek treatment from the “best doctors” and eventually drive the poor ones out of business. (Herald-Times, 4/24/2014)

Fifty percent of the medical devices used throughout the world are manufactured in Indiana. State and federal leaders are exploring ways to increase that already-dominant market share. During summer “interim” meetings of the Committee on Economic Development, state lawmakers will research and solicit testimony on promoting R&D, increasing venture capital investments and improving employee training. After meeting with industry leaders in May 2014, US Senator Dan Coats affirmed his commitment to eliminating the medical device tax contained within the Affordable Care Act and encouraging more efficient technology approval processes at the Food and Drug Administration. (IPBS, May 30, 2014)

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Gov. Mike Pence says his version of Medicaid expansion will improve health coverage for low-income residents and provide flexibility to allow people to manage their own health care needs. The proposal aims to cover 350,000 uninsured residents who earn up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level, building upon a current program that provides health savings accounts to about 40,000 people. Indiana has been seeking federal approval to use the program, which was established in 2008 under former Gov. Mitch Daniels. (Associated Press, May 19, 2014)

Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Brent E. Dickson recently announced that he will step down from his leadership role at the court by September 1. Dickson, who has served as chief justice since May 2012, will continue his role as an associate justice on the five-member Supreme Court, thus extending his 28-year tenure. He is subject to mandatory retirement when he turns 75 in July 2016. His successor — one of the court’s four other justices — will be named in August by the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission. (Indianapolis Star Journal, June 11, 2014)

Indiana Supreme Court

<u>Judge</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Selected by</u>
Chief Justice Brent Dickson	1986-2018	Gov. Robert Orr
Justice Robert Rucker	1999-2022	Gov. Frank O’Bannon
Justice Steven David	2010-2022	Gov. Mitch Daniels
Justice Loretta H. Rush	2012-2016	Gov. Mitch Daniels
Justice Mark S. Massa	2012-2016	Gov. Mitch Daniels

Urologists who utilize non-compete agreements might soon find themselves at the negotiation table hammering out new contracts after the Indiana Appeals Court negated an entire covenant, rather than simply striking the provisions found to be illegitimate restraints on trade. In addition to narrowing this “blue pencil” doctrine, the Feb. 20, 2014, decision heightens the level of specificity required in identifying an employee’s competitive activities. Litigants are seeking transfer to the Indiana Supreme Court in an effort to set aside the far-reaching holdings of this case. (Barnes & Thornburg LLP, March 11, 2014)

Read more about these issues online. Visit www.bit.ly/iaa2014news.

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