

**KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE
SOCIETY FOR ACADEMIC CME DURING THE PERIOD 2016 – 2018**

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- Major steps to address the 5-point Strategic Agenda defined in 2016 at the beginning of the current presidential term: Leadership; Innovation; Scholarship; Member Engagement; and Operational Excellence
- Establishment of an Academy of Fellows of SACME. Definition of criteria for induction as Fellows of SACME and Members of this prestigious Academy. Development of a Charter for this new Academy. Establishment of regular communication among the Academy Members
- Appointment of a Steering Committee for the Academy of Fellows of SACME. Appointment of Subcommittees of the Academy to pursue two strategic initiatives – a National Certificate Program for Leadership in Academic CPD and a National Mentorship Program. Initiation of steps to pursue a third strategic initiative – a National Faculty Development Program in CPD
- Establishment of a Communities of Practice Program through a year-long strategic effort
- Transformational changes and major redesign of the Annual Meeting of SACME, with invitation of nationally- and internationally-renowned leaders from the field of CPD and other related fields, to serve as Keynote Speakers and Panelists. The 2017 Annual Meeting attracted an all-time record of 242 attendees
- Enhancement of Scholarly Presentations at the Annual Meeting, with greater participation by young investigators. Reorganization of the Scholarship Committee into three Subcommittees
- Release of the CPD Book as a formal publication of SACME
- Publication of a *Journal of Continuing Education in the Health Professions* Supplement with key articles from the 2016 CPD World Congress, financially supported by SACME
- Recruitment of a new Editor-in-Chief for the *Journal of Continuing Education in the Health Professions* in collaboration with the Alliance for Continuing Education in the Health Professions and the Association for Hospital Medical Education
- Recent appointment of three Committees to address the needs of various constituencies within SACME: Committee of Representatives of CME Offices at Academic Institutions; Committee of Representatives of Specialty Societies; and Committee on New Technologies to Support Innovative CPD
- Further engagement of SACME Members in the Society. Growth in Membership, with the total number of Members reaching 300 in 2017

- Major revision and approval of new Bylaws to change the length of terms of the President, President-Elect, and Past President, and revisions to support new strategic directions
- Alignment of SACME’s activities with the new Mission, Vision, and Goals defined for the Society
- Development and approval of Board Norms. Change in the format of Board Meetings to ensure greater productivity and efficiency, and to support the fiduciary responsibilities of the Board. Change in the model of the Annual Business Meetings to present detailed reports on major issues
- Change in the model of the Annual SACME Leadership Retreat to ensure inclusion of all Board Members, active participation by the participants, and definition of a visionary agenda for the year, along with specific action items
- Redefinition of the roles and responsibilities of Regional Representatives
- Realignment of committee functions to promote collaboration across committees
- Greater focus on communication strategies, with enhancement of INTERCOM, Pulse Points and the Website, and the addition of *CE News*. Development of a solid marketing strategy for SACME
- Appointment of a Finance Committee with a broad mandate relating to development and monitoring of the budget, investments, and other fiscal policies. Approval of a new Travel Policy
- Successful completion of annual Audits, with “Clean Reports” from the Auditor, and successful submission of annual Tax Returns
- Selection of a new Management Company to provide broader support for the evolving directions of SACME
- Identification of a new Registered Agent for SACME in the State of Alabama, necessitated by the change in the Management Company
- Revisions of the SACME Handbook to ensure congruence with the new Bylaws
- Strengthening of domestic relationships with the Association of American Medical Colleges, Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education, Alliance for Continuing Education in the Health Professions, and Association for Hospital Medical Education. Participation with the Association of American Medical Colleges to redesign and conduct the Harrison Survey
- Strengthening of international relationships with the Association for Medical Education in Europe and the Global Alliance for Medical Education
- Discontinuation of the Fall SACME Meeting

**The immense dedication, contributions, and expertise of the
SACME Leadership and Members have been key to these major accomplishments.**