ACC DCVS PRESENTS THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2017!

Left to Right, back: Courtney Perez, Jennifer Gladden, Lauren Merritt, Kelsey Faust, Katherine Reeves, Joshlyn Belk, Rebecca Pritchard, Angie Smith, Jennifer Cioli, Kate Marek and Loan Nguyen
Front: Jing Yang, Brittany Kennedy, JohnAnna Linscomb, Megan Jarmon, Nick Gordon, Sam Allison, Danielle Garcia, Amber Kresta and Hunter Reed

Sophomores Already Registered!

Vascular RVT: Quan Ma, Kate Marek, Sam Allison, Angie Smith, and Rebecca Pritchard, Lauren Merritt, and Loan Nguyen. 100% RVT prior to graduation!!

Adult Echo RDCS: Jing Yang, Kelsey Faust, Hunter Reed, Amber Kresta, Danielle Garcia, and Courtney Perez

Pedi Echo RCCS: Katherine Reeves, Megan Jarmon and Joshlyn Belk

Way to go!

Congratulations to the Following Students!

2017 DCVS Institutional Scholarships

Vascular – Angie Smith, sophomore
Adult Echo – Heather Harvey, freshman
Pedi Echo – Monica Guerra, freshman

Tico Perez Memorial Scholarship

Roberto Ganoza, freshman

Heather Harvey, freshman, was awarded the ASE Alan D. Waggoner Sonographer Student Scholarship in the amount of $1000.00. This also includes complimentary tuition and expenses to travel to the annual ASE Scientific Sessions in June in Baltimore, where she will be recognized during the sessions and published in the JASE, as well as the ASE Newsletter.

Veronica Dudek, Echo freshman, was awarded the Aaron S. White examination grant by CCI.

Freshmen students, Ayana Brereton, Jerrod South, Courtney Houston, and Veronica Dudek have passed their CCT exams.

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New Equipment!

The DCVS program received two ultrasound systems this spring – the Spencer TCD system and the Phillips Affinity. Students and faculty have been working with Steven Blankenship to install the Phillips system, set up the presets and learn how to use all the new options. It has some very cool features which enable students to perform stress Echo and strain. We are very grateful to have new equipment for our students.

“Thanks” to our Educators and Preceptors

We would like to thank our dedicated preceptors and educators who instruct our students. Several in-services, lectures, interpretation classes and seminars were provided by individuals and companies. These include: Dr. Tung, Dr. Kee, and Keisha McKnight of Memorial Hermann SW, for Vascular Interpretation classes.

We greatly appreciate you all!

Welcome to New Clinical Sites

We would like to thank and welcome our new clinical sites: Dr. Gospin with Pediatric Cardiology Care and Memorial Hermann Pearland.

Above, the family of Tico Perez with Roberto Ganoza, the 2017 recipient of the Eutiquio Perez Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is given annually to a Vascular student, in honor of Donna Aguirre Lewis’ father. Donna is a previous DCVS faculty member.

Above: Jessica Murphy with Echo student, Hunter Reed, at the Awards Ceremony. Hunter received the Echo Clinical Skills award and the DCVS Academic Achievement award.

Above: Vascular student Angie Smith received the Vascular Clinical Skills award and the Star Award, presented by Deb Kleinhans, Vascular instructor. The Star Award is given to students who go above and beyond what is expected at clinical. It is initiated by the clinical preceptors, and it is an honor to receive it.
This spring, our students have been busy with classes and attending clinical rotations, health fairs, meetings, in-services, lectures, seminars and community events. Events include: ACC Health Fair, AISD Health Fair, Amazing Race, SuperHero Heart Run, Career Days, Big Brain Health Fair, Pedi Lecture Series, Methodist Multimodality Imaging Conference, Houston Aortic Symposium, Vascular interpretation classes, and Edelman conferences.

Above: Vascular students Diane Kennedy, Ayana Brereton, Stacy Zinante, Michelle Smith and Courtney Houston display their Physics phantom leg.

Above: students Courtney Houston, Ayana Brereton, Stacy Zinante, Ivan Vinev, Veronica Dudek, and Jerrod South ready for patients at the Big Brain Health Fair.

Above: Sophomore Pedi Echo students at the Methodist Multimodality Imaging Conference.

Above: student Angie Smith and faculty member, Keisha McKnight, at interp class.

Above: Freshman Pedi Echo student, Erin Haynes, at the Superhero Heart Run.
UPCOMING EVENTS AND FACULTY NEWS

2017 AE, PE, FE SYMPOSIUM
SAVE the DATE! October 20th and 21st, ACC DCVS program will host the annual DCVS Symposium. This year, the focus will be on Adult Echo, Pediatric Echo and Fetal Echo. We still have openings for alternate speakers, and will be recruiting vendors soon. Contact jmurphy@alvincollege.edu if you are interested in participating. Flyers will be prepared and sent out this summer. A total of 12 CMEs will be provided. Funds raised from the annual symposium help cover the cost of credentialing exams for our students. ACC graduates and clinical preceptors receive a discount to attend.

CCI Educators’ Forum
Dina DuBose, Clinical Coordinator, was privileged to attend the annual CCI Educators’ Forum in Las Vegas in April. The educators learned from experts in the field about ADA laws and requirements, Universal Design, and testing methods. We really appreciate all that CCI does to help us ensure our students’ success.

Educators’ Summit
Jessica Murphy will be attending the 10th Annual Educators’ Summit this July, in New Orleans. This event is sponsored by the International Foundation for Sonography Education and Research. Many interesting topics will be covered, such as “Ultrasound Student Assessment” and “Teaching and Training in Africa.”

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PEDIATRIC ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY LECTURE SERIES continues
1.5 CMEs for each class
Lectures are 1.5 hours each, 6-7:30 pm

COURSE CALENDAR 2017
“Tricuspid Atresia” Ana Alvarado 7/13/17

LOCATION
Hermann Heart and Vascular Institute
3rd Floor, Conference Room A&B,
HVI 3.103
6411 Fannin Street
Houston, Texas
Memorial Hermann Hospital
Texas Medical Center

This lecture series is FREE.
Space is limited; please RSVP by phone or email:
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ACC DCVS Welcomes New Faculty
Welcome to our new Vascular instructors, Keisha McKnight, RVT, and Kathryn Trantham, RDMS, RVT. Keisha is teaching the interpretation classes and Kathryn is helping with the Vascular courses.

SDMS – SAVE THE DATE!
Are you attending the annual SDMS Conference this year? It is October 12th – 15th, in Dallas. Hope to see you there!