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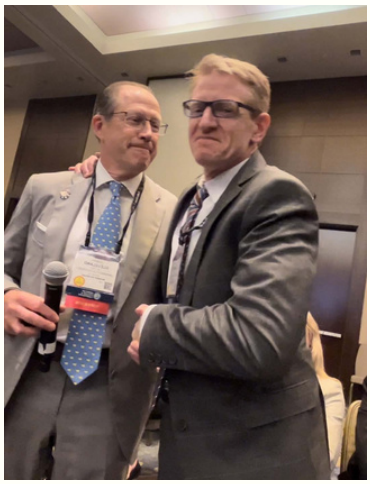

Joe Cleveland & Mori Krantz

President's Corner

It is an honor to provide an update to everyone in the Colorado ACC family. We've had a tremendous year and my hope is to briefly highlight our achievements, upcoming events, and to strategize with you, our integral constituency, to drive a shared future transforming cardiovascular care across the state!

First, Colorado ACC recently attended the annual legislative session in DC. Attendees included Pueblo EP fellow, Dr. William Grigg, Dr. Payal Kohli, former governor Dr. Tom Haffey, myself, and the one-and-only Dr. Gene Sherman. Gene chairs our Advocacy committee and was instrumental in Colorado winning the 2022 State Giving Challenge. I am delighted to announce we were the number one state in the US in terms of giving to our PAC and received an award in DC (see photo on page 2). Thanks to ACC efforts we have dramatically reduced the CMS cuts to EP services. Please email Gene at dsr9dsr@mac.com to get involved.

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Second, Dr. Kamal Henderson was elected as our inaugural chair of the Community Clinical Linkages committee , which seeks to create seamless connections between care delivery and community outreach, with an emphasis on minority and under-served patient populations. I am proud to announce that Kamal received a $120,000.00 grant from Colorado Public Health to spearhead this effort and will be teaming up with community organizations serving urban African American and Latino populations with a goal to improve hypertension control. Hypertension represents the number one global public health burden. He has also worked closely with the CDC Million Hearts Campaign. Please contact Kamal at Kamal.Henderson@cuanschutz.edu if you would like to join this exciting committee. We are utilizing ACC members like yourself to provide expertise educating our citizens with hypertension.

Third, Drs. Shea Hogan and Payal Kohli co-chair our Women In Cardiology (WIC) committee . They have created a survey to identify challenges, gaps, and interests unique to women in cardiovascular medicine in Colorado and will be hosting a key-informant interview. This will be in person with delicious food, compliments of the ACC. If you would like to join the committee please contact Shea Hogan at Shea.Hogan@dhha.org and be part of this vibrant process.

Dr. James Carter is our chair of the ACC Education Committee and has launched our annual ACC meeting at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs Dec 8-10 th in conjunction with the UC heart failure summit led by our very own ACC treasurer, Dr. Amrut Ambardekar. Last year our theme was “Diversity” this year our theme is “Maximizing Impact” to improve the health of all Coloradoans. Please sign up to attend at here. It will be a truly monumental education experience for you and an experience to remember for your family. Unfortunately The Broadmoor is sold out, but several hotels just down the street still have space.

Please join us and get involved by contacting our CEO Lianna Collinge at Lianna@aminc.org!

Warmest wishes this holiday season,



Mori J. Krantz MD FACP FACC
President Colorado ACC 2022-2025



Drs. Grigg, Sherman, Kohli, Krantz and Haffey



CVT Corner

After two years that have been subjugated by the COVID 19 pandemic, the Colorado ACC Chapter has had some great accomplishments thus far in 2022. September started off with the annual CVT Symposium. This year was the first year back in person since 2019, which proved to be an amazing turnout (one of the largest attendance amongst CVT conferences in the region this year) with a variety of robust Cardiology topics and range of speakers and learners. Non-members who wish to join the ACC CVT section can take advantage of free membership for one year, using the code ReferCVT23.

As mentioned, Colorado was the 2022 winner of the HeartPAC State Giving Challenge! Significant progress has been made on issues like prior authorization reform and telehealth since the start of the year. Work is still being done to help reduce ongoing concerns about proposed Medicare 2023 cuts in Electrophysiology ablation services. Members can share their comments and concerns with policy makers at https://www.regulations.gov/.



Kristy Gama and Mori Krantz, Cherry Creek 9/16/22



Kristy Gama, Mori Krantz, and Lianna Collinge
Annual CVT Symposium 9/16/22 Hotel Clio

To wrap up 2022 we are excited for the innovative topics and speakers planned for the upcoming Colorado Heart Failure Summit that will take place at the Broadmoor December 8-10. For more information about reservations and topics, please visit www.coaccheartfailure.org.

Warm Wishes -
Kristy Gama, MSN, APRN, NP, CO CVT Chapter Rep





Kristy Gama, NP, and Jolin Honas, NP AACC Cherry Creek 9/16/22



President Krantz, and a few CVT Annual Symposium Attendees Celebrate Post-Event 9/16/22

We Want You. If you are an Interventional Cardiologist, Heart Surgeon, or Electrophysiologist please email: mori.krantz@gmail.com to bring your unique perspective to our leadership.



Upcoming Events

December 8-10, 2022

COLORADO HEART FAILURE SUMMIT ANNUAL MEETING

Location: The Broadmoor Colorado Springs | Colorado Springs, CO

The Colorado Heart Failure Summit is a regional, multidisciplinary conference which aims to bring heart failure clinicians together annually to collaborate and share ideas to ultimately improve the overall care of patients with heart failure.

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Register Now!

February 28, 2023

ACC CO CHAPTER PERIPHERAL VASCULAR DISEASE SEMINAR

Time: 3:00PM-6:00PM MST

Location: TBD

Virtual Option Available

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March 4-6, 2023

ACC.23 TOGETHER WITH WCC

Location: New Orleans, LA

Virtual Option Available

Reunite with your colleagues from around the world, explore the latest science and innovation, and learn about practice-changing updates in care. At ACC.23/WCC, you'll get everything you need to advance cardiovascular care for all!

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Inaugural recipient Kim Marshall, BSN, RN, CPHQ, AACC was presented with the Healthcare Quality Professional Award! Congratulations to Kim on her outstanding contributions to the College!



September 16, 2022 at ACC Quality Summit
Los Angeles | California