

U.S. COPD Coalition
Semi-Annual Business Meeting
October 22, 2012
Atlanta Marriott Hotel
1:00-4:00pm

Board of Directors Update

Professional Health Organization Members

- Brian Carlin, MD - American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation
- Sam Giordano, MBA, RRT, FAARC - American Association for Respiratory Care
- Ellen Hillegass, PT, PhD, CCS, FAACVPR, FAPTA - American Physical Therapy Association
- Barry Make, MD - American Thoracic Society
- Barbara Yawn, MD - American Academy of Family Physicians

Patient Organization Members

- Joel Africk, JD - Respiratory Health Association
- Ken Benson - Alpha-1 Association
- David Mannino, MD - COPD Foundation
- Vlady Rozenbaum, PhD - COPD-Alert
- John Walsh - Alpha-1 Foundation

State Coalition Members

- Valerie Chang, JD - Hawaii COPD Coalition

Board of Directors Officers

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Sam Giordano

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Barry Make

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Valerie Chang

Financial Report

INCOME STATEMENT		1/1/12--9/30/12		1/1/11--9/30/11
GRANT INCOME		\$30,000	Novartis	\$50,000
IN-KIND SUPPORT				
MEMBERSHIP		\$37,500	GSK & Lincare	
OTHER INCOME				\$100
SPONSORSHIPS				\$2,500
INTEREST INCOME		0		
		<u>67,500</u>		<u>52,600</u>
CONFERENCE EXPENSES		4,700		
PROFESSIONAL FEES--audit & tax		4,358		2,956
MANAGEMENT FEES		30,600		
INSURANCE		1,024		
PRINTING				
WEB SITE		239		278
MEETING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES				321
OTHER				126
	TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>40,921</u>		<u>3,681</u>
	NET MARGIN FOR YEAR	<u>\$26,579</u>		<u>\$48,919</u>

Congressional COPD Caucus Update

As some of you may know the Congressional COPD Caucus will be losing its House Republican Co-Chair, Cliff Stearns in the upcoming Congressional session. After the elections, members of the USCC Public Policy Working Group will work to identify a new House Co-Chair. Suggestions may be sent to abulthuis@uscopdcoalition.org

Congressional COPD Caucus Co-Chairs



Senator
Mike Crapo
(ID)

Senator
Dick Durbin
(IL)

Representative
John Lewis
(GA-5)

- **The newest Congressional COPD Caucus Members**

- **Representative Charlie Bass**
Republican from New Hampshire's 2nd district
- **Representative Aaron Schock**
Republican from Illinois' 18th district
- **Representative Mazie Hirono**
Democrat from Hawaii's 2nd district
- **Senator Jeanne Shaheen**
Democrat from New Hampshire

In 2012 the Congressional COPD Caucus welcomed four new members due to the perseverance and advocacy of patient advocates and member organizations. To see a full list of Caucus members visit www.uscopdcoalition.org

Communications Update

The USCC is committed to highlighting and promoting member organization events and activities. The USCC website and Facebook are frequently updated with member organization activities and advocacy activities.



Jim and Mary Nelson-Arizona Advocates

In addition to several district meetings with several of their state and federal representatives, Jim and Mary Nelson have also supported a COPD awareness proclamation in Arizona and had an interview to raise COPD awareness on a local radio station!



Jim and Mary on the radio live spreading awareness for COPD!

Jim and Mary with Congressman Barber's Legislative Direct, Lauren Alfred

Jean Rommes-Iowa Advocate

Jean attended district visits throughout Iowa and thanked Congressmen Boswell and Tom Latham for being members of the Congressional COPD Caucus. If your representative/senator is a member of the Caucus and you would like to present them with the hourglass award thanking them for their service email abulthuis@uscopdcoalition.org



Jean presenting Ted Tran, a staffer with Congressman Boswell's office, with the COPD Caucus award



Sharon Chernov-Massachusetts Advocate

Sharon attended her first district visit with Senator Scott Brown's office. As a new COPD advocate on her first visit Sharon introduced COPD to Senator Brown's office by explaining the burden of COPD both on the individual and on the nation, explaining the burden of COPD both on the individual and on the nation.

Send Aimee Bulthuis, abulthuis@uscopdcoalition.org your events, news stories, advocacy activities, and more to be featured on the USCC Facebook page and website.

2012 COPD Awareness Proclamations & Resolutions

The US COPD Coalition has made it an advocacy priority this summer to pass COPD Awareness proclamations and resolutions announcing November as COPD Awareness month. These are great opportunities to spread COPD Awareness to state elected officials and the general public. If your state is not on the list, email abulthuis@uscopdcoalition.org to help us spread COPD awareness in your state.

The USCC would like to thank all of the advocates and member organizations who already helped the us pass a record number of state resolutions and proclamations this year!

States with COPD Proclamations/Resolutions

Alabama
Colorado
Florida
Georgia
Hawaii
Idaho
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Louisiana
Maine
Massachusetts
Missouri
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
North Carolina
Ohio
South Dakota
Texas
Washington

West Virginia
Vermont

Proclamations In Progress

Arizona
Arkansas
Connecticut
Delaware
Kentucky
Maryland
Michigan
Minnesota
Montana
Nebraska
Nevada
New York
North Dakota
Pennsylvania
Tennessee
Utah
Virginia
Wisconsin

COPD Awareness Month Activities

What is your organization doing to mark COPD Awareness Month? Are there any resources you want to share?

Educational Events

Public Awareness Events

Public Policy Activities

Fundraising Activities

Resources you can use

- USCC website, newsletter & Facebook for info dissemination
- LMBB Awareness Month Toolkit
- COPD Foundation educational & screening materials for events
- Unique urls for DRIVE4COPD risk screener dissemination
- Letter to the editor proclamation announcements