

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM COMMITTEE DESCRIPTION

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: EDUCATION

SCA will be a global leader in comprehensive professional development that promotes the provision of safe, high quality, cost-effective medical care for patients undergoing cardiovascular and thoracic procedures.

MISSION

The Scientific Program Committee (SPC) maintains the quality of the scientific content of the Annual Meeting & Workshops and ensures consistency, continuity and balance in the programming.

PURPOSE

The committee designs the overall program for the Annual Meeting. Specific duties include:

1. To determine the basic schedule for the main conference events, working within the constraints of the facility and SCA's budget.
2. To identify and select the moderators and speakers for the sessions, Workshops and Problem-Based Learning Discussions.
3. To review and select the abstracts.
4. To participate, as needed by staff, in conference events on-site, review conference evaluations and offer suggestions for future conferences accordingly.

PARENT COMMITTEE

The committee reports to the CME Committee.

MEETING

The committee meets at least once per year at the SCA Annual Meeting.

COMPOSITION

The committee is composed of the Chair, Vice Chair, Workshop/ PBLD Coordinator, Parent Committee Chair and up to eighteen other committee members. In addition, there is one Directors for the Fellow and Resident Program. There are also liaison representatives from EACTA, the SCA Research Committee, SOCCA, STS and the TAS Program Committee. A Board Liaison may be appointed at the discretion of the President.

TERM

Committee members serve for a term of two years, but not more than three terms consecutively.