REGISTER BY JULY 31 AND SAVE!
Register for PFD Week by Monday, July 31 to save $200.
JOIN AUGS FOR PFD WEEK

Join me for a week of robust scientific education and fun in Providence, Rhode Island, October 3–7, for PFD Week! I look forward to welcoming you, along with nearly 1,500 other participants to reconnect, recharge, and build new professional connections. I’ve been working with the program committee to plan a unique meeting that includes clinically relevant topics that you can use in your practice.

There is such an incredible amount of expertise to tap into at this meeting. This year’s schedule will include a selection of workshops that take place over two days before the scientific portion of the meeting. PFD Week will continue to offer expert roundtable discussions on Thursday and Friday mornings, hot topic debates, expert keynote presentations, surgical videos, and scientific abstract presentations.

I always appreciate the fun opportunities to network with the most highly respected health professionals in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery. Times are planned for you to relax and enjoy social and networking events, including special interest group meetings, the welcome reception, a happy hour in the Exhibit Hall, and the always popular AUGSome karaoke challenge.

I look forward to seeing you in Providence!

Cheryl Iglesia, MD
PFD Week Program Committee Chair

*Attendance data based on PFD Week 2016

PFD WEEK BY THE NUMBERS

- 830+ Physicians and physicians-in-training participated
- 340 Abstract Submissions for PFD Week 2017
- 25 Students
- 50 Exhibitors in the Exhibit Hall

1,470+ Total participants
PFD WEEK OVERVIEW

WHO SHOULD ATTEND
PFD Week is for physicians, nurses, physical therapists, students, researchers, educators, and other healthcare professionals interested in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery. New treatment techniques and developments in both surgical and non-surgical settings will be shared through a variety of educational formats designed to encourage interactive discussion. Scientific material will be presented through lectures, posters, videos, recorded surgeries, and tips and tricks presentations.

EDUCATIONAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- Describe and discuss the pathophysiology of pelvic floor disorders, including pelvic organ prolapse, urinary incontinence, fecal incontinence, and sexual dysfunction
- Identify risk factors and the epidemiology of pelvic floor disorders
- Delineate the impact of pelvic floor disorders on the quality of life for women who suffer from these conditions
- Review and discuss the tools to assess and quantify pelvic floor disorders
- Explain non-surgical and surgical treatments used to manage pelvic floor disorders
- Identify methods for preventing lower urinary tract symptoms
- Review methods for treating mesh related complications
- Identify methods to avoid nerve injury during pelvic surgery
- Describe indications for uterine preservations during prolapse surgery

PFD WEEK HIGHLIGHTS

- Holly Richter, MD, PhD, and Matthew Barber, MD, MHS, will debate choice of primary slings and what to do when slings fail
- Mesh Removal debate with Roger Dmochowski, MD, and Miles Murphy, MD, MSPH
- A panel of renowned experts will tell us how to stay ahead of the curve related to payment reform
- Tips and tricks from master surgeons, Beri Ridgeway, MD, on Hysteropexy and Nucelio Lemos, MD, PhD, on nerve sparing surgery
- L. Lewis Wall, MD, DPhil, will present the J. Marion Sims Lecture on Vesico-Vaginal Fistula: Historical Understanding, Medical Ethics, and Modern Sensibilities
- Marie Fidela Rustia Paraiso, MD, will present the Raymond A. Lee Lecture on Life-long Learning, Loving What You Do, and Paying It Forward
- Clinical Seminars featuring 60-minute lectures of particular clinical importance on topics of special interest
- Interactive discussions through Surgical Tutorials
- Video Café featuring 12 abstract videos showcasing various procedures and research in the advancements of the field of urogynecology
- Industry-leading exhibitors featuring innovative products
- Industry-supported education highlighting new products for enhancing patient care
- A scientific program featuring 156 abstracts, 143 posters, and 28 video presentations
**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

*Schedule subject to change*

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*Presented by Marie Fidela Rustia Paraiso, MD* |
| 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. | FPMRS Journal Update                       |
| 2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | General Scientific Session **V**           |
| 4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. | Break                                      |
| 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. | Surgical Tutorial                           |
| 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. | Concurrent Sessions                        |
| 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. | Exhibit Hall Happy Hour                    |
| 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. | Fellowship Program Meet-and-Greet for Residents |

**KEY:**

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

6:15 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Registration Open
6:45 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.  Meet the Experts Educational Roundtables
8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.  Welcome and Introduction
8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.  Mesh Removal Debate
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  General Scientific Session
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  J. Marion Sims Lecture: Vesico-Vaginal Fistula: Historical Understanding, Medical Ethics, and Modern Sensibilities
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  Break in the Exhibit Hall
11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.  Basic Science Panel
11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  General Scientific Session
1:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.  Lunch in the Exhibit Hall
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3:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Video Café
4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.  Break
4:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Concurrent Sessions
7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.  AUGSome Beach Carnival and Karaoke

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.  Registration Open
8:35 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.  General Scientific Session
9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.  Product Liability: What Urogynecologists Need to Know
10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.  Master Surgeon Presentations
11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  Break
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.  What Are Urogynecologists Going to Get Paid and How?
1:30 p.m.  Adjourn

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MASTER SURGEON PRESENTATIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7  |  10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Get a first-hand look at real-world surgeries on Saturday morning. This session will showcase Laparoscopic Nerve Sparing Surgery and Laparoscopic Hysteropexy and provide an overview of how to control massive blood loss while in the operating room.

LAPAROSCOPIC NERVE SPARING SURGERY  |  LAPAROSCOPIC HYSTEROPEXY SURGERY
Moderator: Marlene Corton, MD  |  Surgeon: Nucelio Lemos, MD, PhD
Moderator: Felicia Lane, MD  |  Surgeon: Beri Ridgeway, MD
PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

EVALUATION AND TREATMENT OF VESICOVAGINAL AND RECTOVAGINAL FISTULAS IN LOWER RESOURCE SETTINGS
Presented by the Global Health SIG

Workshop Director: Saifuddin T. Mama MD, MPH, FACOG, FACS, FPMRS, Cooper Medical School of Rowan University

Pelvic pathology encountered a vesicovaginal and rectovaginal fistulas, which is uncommon in the United States. This workshop will help surgeons working in a lower resource setting understand the skills needed for surgical treatment and will provide insights for enhancing routine pelvic surgery at your facility.

CONTINENCE BEGINS WITH PREVENTION: A NEW PARADIGM USING A TRANSDISCIPLINARY SCIENCE APPROACH
Presented by the AAGS Coding Committee

Workshop Director: Alayne D. Markland, DO, MSc, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

The primary goal of the Prevention of Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms (PLUS) Consortium, a multi-center network funded by the U.S. National Institutes of Health, is prevention of lower urinary tract symptoms (LUTS) in women by advancing bladder health. Transdisciplinary members modified a bladder health conceptual framework adopted from social ecological, biopsychosocial, and a prevention science research paradigm to investigate bladder health. This workshop will provide an overview of the PLUS consortium, including ongoing efforts to define and study bladder health across the age spectrum. The workshop will introduce prevention science methods, share strategies to implement collaborative team science, and seek input from urogynecology practitioners.

CHALLENGES IN FPMRS SURGICAL CODING FOR 2017 AND BEYOND
Presented by the AAGS Coding Committee

Workshop Director: Marc Toglia, MD, Sidney Kimmel School of Medicine

With the U.S. Health System steadily shifting from a volume based reimbursement to value based payment models, accurate coding and documentation is becoming more critical to the FPMRS specialist and gynecologic surgeon. Improper coding can lead to denial for services as well as financial penalties related to quality reporting measures. Quality metrics is a trending topic as reporting is now live and mandatory for 2017, and many metrics are surgically based for the FPMRS and gynecologic specialist. This workshop will show an in-depth look at the complicated relationship between coding and documentation and provide an update to recent CPT changes, NCCI edits, and how changes in surgical length of stay is affecting surgical reimbursement.

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT BOOTCAMP
Presented by the AAGS Coding Committee

Workshop Director: Robert F. Flora, MD, MBA, MPH, McLaren Health Care

Patient safety and quality improvement education is being targeted at the undergraduate, graduate, and continuing medical education levels. The Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) and Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) have placed requirements in educational guidelines, but are finding a lack of faculty trained in these topics. AAMC and ACGME are developing activities such as a faculty development program. This workshop will develop FPMRS faculty skilled in performing and teaching quality improvement.
1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

BUILDING ACADEMIC SUCCESS IN UROGYNECOLOGY: HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH AND THE POWER OF BIG DATA

This workshop is free for Fellows

Workshop Director: Donna Mazloomdoost, MD, Pelvic Floor Disorders Network (PFDN) Gynecologic Health and Disease Branch, Eunice Kennedy Shriver, National Institutes of Health

This workshop is designed to familiarize investigators with available resources for research. Learn about National Institutes of Health (NIH) resources, data currently available for public use from the Pelvic Floor Disorders Network (PFDN) and other big databases, proposing study ideas, becoming more efficient in protocol design and implementation, and making the most of your available resources.

COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO FISTULA CARE

Presented by the Global Health SIG

Workshop Director: Rahel Nardos, MD, MCR, Oregon Health & Science University

This workshop is geared toward attendees who are interested in providing pelvic floor care to women in resource poor settings. The workshop will provide a deeper understanding of the complexities of providing sustainable holistic care to obstetric fistula patients. It will also provide the opportunity to build global health partnerships with fistula care leaders and organizations.


Workshop Director: Christopher M. Tarnay, MD, FACOG, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA

This workshop will provide tools for the exam room, consultation office, and operating room. There will be a focus on management of prolapse and incontinence after mesh removal. The workshop will also utilize case-based learning with videos to demonstrate how to perform techniques.

CODING CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR OFFICE BASED ACTIVITIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE FPMRS SPECIALIST

Presented by the AUGS Coding Committee

Workshop Director: Marc Toglia, MD, Sidney Kimmel School of Medicine

Accurate coding and diagnosis is the key to managing your reimbursement, limiting your write-offs, and avoiding financial penalties. Understanding and mastering the language of current procedural terminology (CPT) and international classification of disease (ICD) are critical components of managing a successful practice. For FPMRS specialists, office visits and procedures are a significant source of revenue. This workshop will offer an in-depth look into the complex relationship between CPT and ICD-10 codes and the importance of proper documentation to support coding at higher levels of service.

INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY INTO YOUR TEACHING ARMAMENTARIUM

Workshop Director: Robert F. Flora, MD, MBA, MPH, McLaren Health Care

To successfully integrate technology into your teaching armamentarium, one must understand how students learn using technology, and educators must develop the right mindset in utilizing technology. This workshop will introduce the theory of technological, pedagogical, and content knowledge, or TPACK, as a method of introducing technology into teaching practices. The workshop will provide an introduction to programs such as G Suite, Lucidchart, Explain Everything, and Nearpod. Participants will be given resources for integrating numerous digital tools into their teaching. Participants should bring their laptop or iPad to the workshop.
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

ENERGY BASED THERAPIES IN GYNECOLOGY AND VAGINAL HEALTH: LASER, LIGHT, AND RADIO-FREQUENCY THERAPIES

Workshop Director: Kevin Stepp, MD, Carolinas Healthcare System

This is a combined didactic and hands-on postgraduate workshop intended to cover the rapidly expanding use of energy-based treatments for genitourinary health and well-being. Energy-based treatments including LASER, Intense Pulsed Light (IPL), and Radiofrequency (RF) are established and common treatments of superficial and deeper skin conditions in dermatology and plastic surgery. These technologies have gained in popularity in gynecology and urogynecology. Although data is rapidly emerging, it is still very limited on these subjects. This workshop will introduce the concepts of laser and light physics as well as radiofrequency treatments to gynecologists.

CHRONIC PELVIC PAIN AND INTERSTITIAL CYSTITIS: EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE TREATMENT

Workshop Director: Bruce S. Kahn, MD, FACOG, Scripps Clinic & Healthcare System

Chronic pelvic pain (CPP) is a complex disorder that affects 6–26 percent of women. In general, it is poorly understood and difficult to treat. Chronic interstitial cystitis (IC) is a component of chronic pelvic pain and is a leading cause of pelvic pain and lower urinary tract symptoms in women. Morbidity associated with IC includes global, psychologic, and sexual health. This workshop will review the treatment of chronic pelvic pain and interstitial cystitis.

A TRANSDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO MATERNAL BIRTH TRAUMA: A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A PERINEAL CLINIC

Workshop Director: Christina Lewicky-Gaupp, MD, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

While the risk factors and complications of OASIS (obstetric anal sphincter injuries) are well-described in literature, very few centers in the United States have implemented a dedicated perineal clinic for women who have suffered perineal trauma. A limited number of studies have prospectively addressed wound complications secondary to birth trauma and/or appropriate immediate and long-term postpartum care for women who suffer from OASIS. At our tertiary care, high volume delivery center (>12,000 deliveries annually), we have established and grown a transdisciplinary perineal (the Periparum Evaluation and Assessment of the pelvic floor around the time of delivery) clinic over the last three years. In this transdisciplinary model of the PEAPOD clinic, we as female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgeons have partnered with physical therapists, psychologists, sex counselors, colorectal surgeons, and our patients to treat and study pelvic floor dysfunction in this unique patient population.

ROBOTIC AND STRAIGHT LAPAROSCOPIC SACROCOLOPEXY 2.0: HOW TO AVOID AND GET OUT OF TROUBLE

Workshop Director: Patrick Culligan, MD, FACOG, FPMRS, Weill Cornell Department of Urology
Peter Rosenblatt, MD, FACOG, FPMRS, Mount Auburn Hospital

While the laparoscopic sacrocolpopexy procedure is extremely well established as a reliable approach for correction of uterovaginal or post-hysterectomy prolapse, the surgical learning curve for this procedure can be rather steep. Literature shows significant variance with surgery success results and complication rates with data supporting surgical technique and volume to be of paramount importance to outcomes. Typically, surgical textbooks and journal articles do not provide the surgical nuances that make up the “special sauce” of these procedures. Sometimes one or two seemingly small tips can help a surgeon greatly improve surgical efficiency and reach a new plateau along the learning curve. This workshop will cover detailed surgical techniques used regularly by high volume surgeons.
UNDERSTANDING MINDFULNESS: FOSTERING RESILIENCE AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN OURSELVES AND OUR PATIENTS

**Workshop Director:** David A. Richardson, MD, Henry Ford Health System

Suffering and decreased quality of life have been documented in patients with chronic illness from urinary incontinence to cancer. Burnout, secondary traumatic stress, and decreased compassion satisfaction have been noted in medical students, residents, and staff physicians. Mindfulness and self-compassion training have improved patient outcomes, increased emotional resilience, and decreased burnout. Many physicians still have limited understanding in how mindfulness works and how it can be utilized in both self-care and patient care.

1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY EVALUATION AND TREATMENT OF VULVAR DISORDERS

*Presented by the Advanced Practice, Physical Therapy, and Allied Health SIG*

**Workshop Director:** Julie Starr, APRN, PhD, Missouri Center for Female Continence and Advanced Pelvic Surgery University of Missouri

This workshop will include four hours of lecture and slides covering how to perform a thorough vulvar history and exam; normal vs abnormal findings; when to biopsy and vulvar treatment guidelines; skin care; dilator use; compounding formulas; and physical therapy for the patient with dyspareunia. Showing various viewpoints of these issues, the faculty for this workshop will include a physician, advanced practice nurse, physical therapist, and compounding pharmacist.

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EFFECTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY CONVERSATIONS

**Workshop Director:** Mikio A. Nihira, MD, MPH, University of California Riverside, Riverside Community Hospital

Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive surgeons frequently lack the skills and mindset needed to impact pressing issues and shape the future in their enterprise and the broader healthcare ecosystem. These surgeons often find it challenging to effectively hold others accountable. Crucial accountability provides individuals with an evidenced-based method to systematically break down an accountability failure and develop a strategy to address individuals who have not met their expectations.

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TRANSITIONAL SURGERY AND CARE: THE ROLE OF THE UROGYNECOLOGIST

**Workshop Director:** Cecile A. Unger, MD, MPH, Center for Urogynecology & Pelvic Reconstructive Surgery, Center for LGBT Care Obstetrics, Gynecology & Women’s Health Institute, Cleveland Clinic

Care of transgender patients is emerging across many curricula, spanning many subspecialties. There is currently a significant deficit in this type of education in female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery. Transgender men and women who are preoperative and postoperative in their transition have pelvic floor disorders and unique needs that could be addressed by urogynecology specialists. This workshop will show how urogynecologists can assist transgender patients with transition surgeries and help manage potential complications.

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BONUS SESSIONS:

**Post or Perish**

Wednesday, October 4 | 3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

*Speaker: Brian Jacob, MD, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Laparoscopic Surgical Center of New York*

This session will take a close look at the growing use of social media, specifically closed Facebook groups and how they can be used to enhance surgical education and optimize patient care.

**Future of Medicine and Technology: The Art of the Possible**

Wednesday, October 4 | 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

*Speaker: Michael Ruiz, MedStar Health*

Video games, tablets, and smartphones are a small segment of technological advances made possible by the exponential growth of computer microprocessors as articulated in Moore’s Law. Predicting that every year we double in capacity while cutting costs, Moore’s Law has significant implications for innovation in healthcare technology. In this presentation, you will learn the dramatic impact technology has on healthcare through life-changing technology such as 3D printing and robotics, artificial intelligence, machine learning, and autonomous vehicles.
**FELLOWS’ DAY**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4**

We are pleased to provide complimentary education to fellows during PFD Week. Fellows must register online for Fellows’ Day at [www.pfdweek.org/schedule/fellows-day](http://www.pfdweek.org/schedule/fellows-day).

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**DOWNLOAD THE PFD WEEK APP**

Download the PFD Week app to access everything the meeting has to offer in the palm of your hand. With the PFD Week app, you can:

- Quickly reference meeting logistics including session times and locations
- Search the meeting agenda and build your own schedule
- Find your favorite speakers and view the sessions they will be presenting
- Access the exhibitor list and local maps
- Use the attendee list to network with other participants at the meeting

**STAY CONNECTED WITH AUGS**

Want to know the latest updates on PFD Week? Follow AUGS on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube! These channels are a great way to get the inside scoop and connect with colleagues. Visit the AUGS home page for direct links to all four sites.

- [Visit the American Urogynecology Society page at facebook.com/FPMRS](http://facebook.com/FPMRS)
- [Follow us @FPMRS](https://twitter.com/FPMRS)
- [Join the discussion on the American Urogynecologic Society group](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12437264)
- [Visit the American Urogynecologic Society Channel](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQn9Z9bK0dKkHv1f17vz3iw)

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

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Using Acupuncture for Pelvic Floor Issues: Fact or Fiction?
Ilana Addis, MD

Surgical Anatomy of Vaginal Hysterectomy: Make Your Own Model
Mallika Anand, MD, MS, FACOG

Sustainable Global Health Programs
Joan Blomquist, MD; Rahel Nardos, MD

Best Practice in Your Busy Practices
Cassandra Carberry, MD, MS

Teaching Surgical Skills to Millennials and Digitals
Robert F. Flora, MD, MBA, MPH

The Gynecologist’s Role in Identifying and Responding to Human Trafficking
Julia Geynisman-Tan, MD

The Role of 2D Dynamic and 3D Multicompartment Sonographic Imaging
Aparna Hegde, MD

How to be an Effective Witness in a Deposition
Michael Karram, MD

Sling Revision: When, Why, and How
Mary Grey Maher, MD, FPMRS

Research in Action: Beyond Retrospective Chart Reviews
Jameca R. Price, MD, MPH, MCR

Implementing Enhanced Recovery Programs in Your Clinical Practice
Elisa Rodriguez Trowbridge, MD, FACOG

Neurourology for the Urogynecologist
Michael J. Kennelly, MD, FACS, FPMRS

Sex and Chronic Pelvic Pain
Kristene E. Whitmore, MD

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

6:45 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

Complications After Apical Vaginal Prolapse Surgeries
Samuel S. Badalian, MD, PhD

Stem Cell and Tissue Engineering Applications in FPMRS
Jeffrey L. Cornella, MD

Building a Successful Interstim Program
James A. Daucher, MD, MS

To Poop or Not to Poop
Angel Marie Johnson, MD

Embryology, Diagnosis, and Treatment of Congenital Anomalies
Saifuddin T. Mama MD, MPH, FACOG, FACS, FPMRS

The Nighttime Battle Between the Bedroom and Bathroom
Deborah L. Myers, MD

Actively Managing Academic Mentorship Relationships
Vivian Sung, MD

Use of Near Infrared Imaging in Complex Robotic Surgery
Lioudmila Lipetskaia, MD

Essential Gynecology for the Female Pelvic Medicine Specialist
Christopher Tarnay, MD

Botulinum Toxin: Practical Applications in Urogynecology
Michael J. Kennelly, MD, FACS, FPMRS

How to be a Successfully Employed FPMRS Subspecialist
Folusho Stephen Tugbiyele, MD

Tips and Tricks on the Difficult Vaginal Hysterectomy
Michael Karram, MD
PFD WEEK WELCOME RECEPTION

Wednesday, October 4
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Join us in the Exhibit Hall for the Welcome Reception to kick off PFD Week 2017! This is your first opportunity to catch up with colleagues while you meet with industry exhibitors and enjoy light refreshments.

EXHIBIT HALL HAPPY HOUR

Thursday, October 5
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Join AUGS in the Exhibit Hall for a happy hour and celebration of PFD Week. Visit the 2017 exhibitors and stop by the AUGS booth, while you mingle with peers and make new connections.

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM MEET-AND-GREET FOR RESIDENTS

Thursday, October 5
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

During the Exhibit Hall happy hour on Thursday night, we will be hosting a fellowship program meet-and-greet for residents. All interested programs will have a sign, representative, and an opportunity to network with residents. The meet-and-greet provides residents an opportunity to learn more about programs from across the country. If your program is interested in participating in this fellowship program meet-and-greet while in Providence, please contact info@augs.org with your program representative’s name, program name, and any updates to your program description form by Friday, August 25.

AUGSOME BEACH CARNIVAL

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6
7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. | WaterFire Arts Center

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
Karaoke Challenge, Food, Drinks, & Carnival-Inspired Games

TICKET SALES
Ticket sales support the PFD Research Foundation.

In Advance: On-Site:
Adults: $50 Adults: $75
Fellows: $35 Fellows: $35
Under 18: $10 Under 18: $10
**HOTEL AND TRAVEL**

**GUIDE TO PROVIDENCE**

Providence, Rhode Island, aptly nicknamed the Creative Capital, has been celebrated as a top dining destination and an arts mecca. Visit [www.goprovidence.org/AUGS](http://www.goprovidence.org/AUGS) to find a comprehensive Guide to Providence, Rhode Island.

**HOTEL INFORMATION**

AUGS has reserved three hotel room blocks in Providence. Please see below for locations, rates, and details on each property. Visit [www.pfdweek.org/attend/hotel](http://www.pfdweek.org/attend/hotel) to make your reservations.

**Omni Providence**
1 West Exchange Street  
Providence, RI 02903  
$215 per night  |  Cut-off date: Sunday, September 10, 2017

The Omni Providence is the headquarters hotel for PFD Week 2017. The Omni is connected to the Rhode Island Convention Center and is within easy walking distance of downtown attractions, dining, and shopping.

**Providence Biltmore**
11 Dorance Street  
Providence, RI 02903  
$209 per night  |  Cut-off date: Monday, September 11, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. EDT

The Providence Biltmore is a landmark property located within a five-minute walk of the Rhode Island Convention Center.

**Renaissance Providence Hotel**
5 Avenue of the Arts  
Providence, RI 02903  
$269 per night  |  Cut-off date: Monday, September 11, 2017

The Renaissance is a modern luxury hotel located within a 12-minute walk of the convention center, most of which can be done inside the Providence Place Mall in case of rain.

**TRAVEL INFORMATION**

Attendees may choose to fly into Providence T.F. Green Airport (PVD) or Boston Logan International Airport (BOS), depending on flight preferences. Transportation options can be found on the ground levels.

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

**Cancellation/Refunds**

All cancellation requests must be made in writing to info@augs.org by September 1, 2017. Cancellations made on or before September 1, 2017, will be eligible for a refund less a $50 processing fee. AUGS will not refund cancellations received after September 1, 2017. All refunds will be processed 2–3 weeks after PFD Week.

**Payment**

Acceptable forms of payment include: checks made payable to AUGS (drawn on a U.S. bank in U.S. dollars), VISA, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express. Full payment must accompany all registrations. Registrations without full payment will be returned for completion. Registration will not be processed without payment.

**Badge Reprints**

There is a $25 fee to reprint lost badges during PFD Week.

**Photography and Filming**

No photography, filming, or audio recording is allowed by participants during educational sessions or within the exhibit hall.

Professional photographs, audio, and video will be captured during PFD Week. Registered attendees and their guests grant AUGS permission to be photographed and or recorded by audio and/or video at PFD Week. Attendees and guests grant AUGS permission to copyright, publish, and distribute these photographs, audio recordings, and/or video recordings and use them in any and all media including print and electronic for any lawful purpose.

**American with Disabilities Act**

AUGS only uses facilities that are in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require special assistance while attending the meeting, please check the box marked “Special Needs” on your registration form and AUGS will contact you. AUGS must have notice by September 1, 2017 to accommodate your request.
Register by Monday, July 31 and save $200! Visit pfdweek.org/register/register-now and click “Register Now.” Not an AUGS member? Add AUGS membership to your registration to take advantage of discounted rates for the meeting!

### FULL MEETING FEES

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### PRESS REGISTRATION

Working journalists are welcome to register for PFD Week 2017. If you are a member of the press, email info@augs.org for a press registration code. Please include your name, credentials, title, and affiliation. Press identification is required, and AUGS reserves the right to deny individual press registration requests. Visit www.pfdweek.org/register/press to read press guidelines.
REGISTRATION PACKAGES

STANDARD REGISTRATION PACKAGE
The AUGS Standard registration package includes everything you’ve come to expect during PFD Week:

- **2.5 Days of PFD Week Education**
- **50+ Scientific Abstract Presentations**
- **10+ General Scientific Sessions**
- **50+ Exhibitors**
- **2 Networking Events in the Exhibit Hall**
- **3 Breakfast Grab and Go**
- **2 Lunches**
- **CME Credits**

DELUXE REGISTRATION PACKAGE:
Includes all of the standard registration package benefits plus:

- **10+ Live-Streamed and On-Demand sessions**
- **140+ Electric Posters**

VIRTUAL CONFERENCE ONLY
The virtual conference includes on-demand access to:

- **10+ Live Streamed and On-Demand sessions**
- **140+ Electric Posters**
- **CME Credits**

NEW THIS YEAR! ATTEND VIRTUALLY
PFD Week general sessions will be available virtually via live streaming and on-demand! The PFD Week Virtual Conference will contain more than 10 hours of content featuring over 30 individual speakers. With an incredible array of educational programming, live streaming allows you to maximize your ability to experience the essentials of PFD Week!

Registration options that fit your schedule:
- Can’t attend the live event? Register today to access PFD Week via live streaming or on-demand
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EXPERIENCE PFD WEEK YOUR WAY
Register today to gain access to exciting presentations at PFD Week 2017!

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