

**COMMISSION
ADULTS WITH CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE (ACHD) COMMITTEE COUNCILS ON
COUNCIL ON LIFELONG CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE AND HEART HEALTH
IN THE YOUNG (YOUNG HEARTS)
&
CLINICAL CARDIOLOGY (CLCD)**

- NUMBER OF MEMBERS: 10-12 members.
- METHOD OF APPOINTMENT: The Council Nominating Committees, in consultation with the Council Chairs and the Committee Co-Chairs, shall appoint Committee members. The Committee shall be made up of 2 Co-Chairs and 6-8 members drawn from the Councils. The Committee shall also include a Liaison from the Council on Cardiovascular Surgery & Anesthesia (CVSA) and a Liaison from the Council on Cardiovascular Nursing (CVN).
- TERM OF OFFICE: Members shall serve two-year terms beginning July 1st and ending June 30th and shall be staggered for continuity.
- FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS: The Committee shall meet face-to-face twice per year, in the Fall in conjunction with AHA Scientific Sessions, and in the Spring in conjunction with ACC. In addition, there may be teleconferences between face-to-face meetings. The time commitment will vary, but should not exceed 3-5 hours per month.
- RESPONSIBILITIES: Committee Responsibilities:
- Review and evaluate new medical/scientific knowledge in the field of adult congenital heart disease;
 - Initiate the creation of scientific statements or science advisories on the diagnosis and treatment of adults with congenital heart disease;
 - Stimulate development and accumulation of further knowledge in the field;
 - Provide guidance for educational matters related to adult congenital heart disease and prepare educational materials for physicians and other health providers relevant to the topic;
 - Participate in AHA scientific conferences, prepare booklets, pamphlets, and other material for the public.
- Co-Chairperson's Responsibilities:
- Attend respective Council's Leadership Committee meetings and present Committee report;
 - Provide guidance and orientation to members;
 - Preside over Committee meetings, working with AHA staff to schedule and prepare agendas;
 - Lead discussions at meetings and monitor activities;
 - Review minutes of Committee meetings;
 - Assign responsibilities as needed.

Approved March 12, 2009.