



## COUNCIL ON STROKE

### NEUROVASCULAR INTERVENTION COMMITTEE COMMISSION

#### SCOPE

*This scope of this committee is to address science-based issues related to cerebrovascular neurointervention topics. Neurovascular interventions, including both neuroendovascular and open surgical procedures, are an integral part of management and treatment of patients with both ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke, subarachnoid hemorrhage, arteriovenous malformations, carotid disease and other cerebrovascular conditions. The explosion of clinical trials in endovascular treatment in acute ischemic stroke and positive outcomes associated with those trials, has highlighted the need for this scientific committee. However, the committee will not only address topics related to acute ischemic stroke but also the full range of other procedures related to other subtypes of stroke as listed above. This committee will offer relevant advice and recommendations to the Stroke Council Leadership Committee.*

#### NUMBER OF MEMBERS:

10-14

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*Members shall be from the Stroke Council. There will be a Chair and a Vice Chair. The Chair will serve 2 years with the Vice Chair moving into the Chair position. The Chair will serve as the Immediate Chair when rolled off as Chair.*

*There may up to 14 members on this subcommittee and will represent the following specialties or areas of expertise.*

- *Interventional Neuroradiology*
- *Vascular Neurology*
- *Interventional Neurology*
- *Neurosurgery – endovascular and open*
- *Emergency Medicine*
- *Nursing*
- *Liaisons: AANS/CVS CV Section, SNIS, SVIN (as recommended by the Stroke Council Leadership)*

*At American Heart Association | American Stroke Association, diversity, inclusion, and equal opportunity applies to our volunteer members, workforce and the communities we serve as it relates to heart health and stroke prevention.*

REPORTS TO: Leadership Committee of the Stroke Council

#### APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMITTEE:

Nominations for the officers and members of this committee are vetted and decided on by the Council Nominating Committee, chaired by the Immediate Past Chair. Nominees come from numerous sources including input from the committee Chair and Vice Chair, suggestions from other volunteers, the

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Science Volunteer Form in Professional Heart Daily as well as relevant staff input.

#### TERM OF SERVICE:

Terms begin on July 1<sup>st</sup> and end on June 30<sup>th</sup> and shall be staggered for continuity. The Chair, Vice Chair and Immediate Past Chair only serve one two-year term in those positions. Members and liaisons on the committee serve a two-year term but are eligible to be re-invited for a second two-year term after which time they are replaced.

#### FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS:

The Committee shall meet quarterly or as needed via teleconference, email correspondence and face-to-face annually in the Spring during the International Stroke Conference. When face to face meetings are deemed necessary no travel expenses will be covered by the council.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES/OBJECTIVES:

- Serves as the primary source within AHA/ASA for science experts and expertise in Neurovascular interventions for the Care of Stroke patients or other persons with cerebrovascular conditions as listed above.
  - Provides support and content guidance to AHA/ASA science staff.
  - Assists AHA/ASA in finding nominations or recommendations of experts for internal (grant and abstract peer review, manuscript authors, faculty, etc.) as well as external requests AHA receives (FDA, NIH, other societies, etc).
- Develops and executes a strategic plan for the appropriate inclusion of content and expertise related to neurovascular interventions throughout AHA/ASA's science enterprise. Examples include, but are not limited to:
  - Identifying and maintaining currency of the primary areas of neurovascular intervention focus which are relevant to AHA and where AHA can individually or in collaboration with others make a significant impact in science and clinical practice.
  - Identify gaps in the scientific literature where scientific papers, advisories, etc. could add clarity and direction. Recruit and guide writing groups to effectively and efficiently complete these papers.
  - Create programming related to Neurovascular intervention topics for AHA's Lifelong Learning platforms. This includes Scientific Sessions, the International Stroke Conference, AHA specialty conferences, on-line programs, etc.
  - In collaboration with the Research Committee and program committees, assures that the categories for Neurovascular Intervention abstracts, grants and programming submissions reflect the current state of the art terms.
  - Provides input and content to the Neurovascular intervention Community on Professional Heart Daily.
  - Provides support to AHA science in developing, when necessary, RFAs, 'white papers, etc. which the Association needs.
- Supports the science needs of the Association that arise from non-science departments (e.g. Advocacy, Communications, Development etc.) related to Neurovascular Interventions. Examples include but are not limited to:
  - Providing input and expertise to Advocacy related to policies relevant to this field.

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- Collaborating with the Communications Department on messaging, responses, background or interviews being requested of AHA.
- Provides expertise to departments developing public/ patient/ family educational materials.
- Provides expertise to the AHA/ASA's Neurovascular interventional area as requested.
- Provides strategic direction to their Councils on the recruitment and retention of experts in this area with a special emphasis on outreach to early career, under-represented minorities as well as succession planning into leadership roles.

**STAFFED BY:**

*AHA Sr Science and Medicine Advisor, Anne Leonard* and AHA Council Manager from Stroke Council

This commission has been approved, modified or amended shown on dates below

Approved by the AHA/ASA Stroke Council Leadership, Council Operations Committee, and the Science Advisory Coordinating Committee..

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