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To all members of the Department of Cardiovascular Imaging (DIC/SBC),

Greetings to all,

In January 2018, we are starting a new two-year administration in the Department of Cardiovascular Imaging (DIC/SBC). This is a source of great joy, and a unique and very special opportunity for us to be able to jointly and collectively implement new ideas, projects and possibilities of achievement. Our administration will be based on a core-centered management approach and we will make decisions in a shared and steady fashion. To this end, the new management group is adding new features to its organizational chart, namely:

1. Commission on special affairs;
2. Council of former presidents;
3. Cardiopediatrics commission.

Each of these new groups will be composed of members from our department, with vast experience and expertise in multiple areas.

For example: for the commission on special affairs, with Dr. Fábio Villaça Guimarães Filho, from Marília; and Dr. Vera Márcia Lopes Gimenes, from São Paulo, we will have the following initial activities:

1. Regional symposia will be held in different states of Brazil. For this task, we will have Dr. Sílvio Henrique Barberato, from Curitiba, as our coordinator. He will be in charge of organizing the symposia. The first one will take place in Goiânia, having Dr. Daniella Rassi as president.
2. We will offer free monthly classes to our members, broadcast from São Paulo. These activities will be coordinated by Dr. Cláudia Gianini Monaco, from São Paulo. In this segment, the objective is to take up-to-date echocardiography information to the different regions of Brazil.
3. We will structurally organize our cardiopediatrics sector for the purposes of ensuring a wider dissemination of this significant portion of imaging diagnosis. Our former president Dr. Samira Saady Morhy, from São Paulo, will coordinate this task.
4. The creation of a board of former presidents seems appropriate to me, as members who were in charge of previous administrations can provide valuable advice and their ultra-structural view of things. There will be an annual meeting where suggestions for the following year will be

put together into a written document. The first council will be coordinated by Dr. Jorge Assef, from São Paulo, and the next coordinator will be Dr. Arnaldo Rabischoffsky, from Rio de Janeiro.

5. We will plan the possibility of offering research fellowship to the department's members in imaging services abroad. A commission will be formed to work on this project.

We will carry on with the echocardiography update course, in which we intend to maintain Dr. Ana Clara Tude Rodrigues, Dr. José Lázaro de Andrade and Dr. Edgar Bezerra Lira Filho as coordinators.

We will organize refresher courses on computed tomography, nuclear magnetic resonance imaging, nuclear medicine, vascular ultrasonography, with modules of 5 to 6 lessons, under the coordination of vice presidents from different areas: Dr. Roberto Caldeira Cury, from São Paulo; Dr. Juliano Lara Fernandes, from Campinas; Dr. Simone Cristina Soares Brandão, from Recife, supported by Dr. Gabriel Leo Blacher Grossman, from Porto Alegre; Dr. Mohamed Hassan Saleh, from São Paulo.

All teaching and continuing education activities will be supported by the coordinator of this commission, Dr. João César Nunes Sbano, from São Paulo.

We will organize our department book, including all imaging tests for diagnosing heart diseases. This project will be organized by our former president, current chair of the board of trustees, Dr. José Luis Barros Pena, from Belo Horizonte.

For the scientific area, we are planning to start two nationwide studies:

1. Study on normal levels for the Brazilian population, coordinated by Dr. Ana Clara Tude Rodrigues, from São Paulo; and Dr. Marcelo Haertel Miglioranza, from Porto Alegre;
2. Study on cardiac synchrony, coordinated by Dr. Ana Cristina de Almeida Camarozano, from Curitiba; and Dr. Luciano Herman Juçaba Belém, from Rio de Janeiro.

The echocardiography qualification test will be coordinated by Dr. Adenalva Lima de Sousa Beck, from Brasília, who is heading an amazing structural organization mission supported by three partners with wide teaching experience.

The internet commission remains under the coordination of Dr. José Carlos Moreira dos Santos, who has been doing a magnificent job over the past administrations.

The teaching and accreditation committee will be coordinated by Dr. David Costa de Souza Le Bihan, São Paulo, who will be in association with Dr. Cláudio Henrique Fischer, São Paulo, to work on different specialties with a professional interface with echocardiography (for example: anesthesiology).

For the so important commission on fees and professional defense, we will stick to the extraordinary job done by Dr. Wagner Pires de Oliveira Jr, Brasília, who, in association with Dr. Luiz Henrique Weitzel, Rio de Janeiro, will be more than mindful of so many crucial issues this area.

Message from the President

Our prestigious Journal will be run by editor-in-chief Dr. Viviane Tiemi Hotta, who, over 30 days of career, has done a magnificent structural job, setting up a multidisciplinary support group working across Brazil. I urge all DIC members to pay special attention to the journal, by submitting original manuscripts, case reports and imaging manuscripts. The journal is our primary channel of disseminating information nationwide. I kindly ask everyone to pay special attention to the journal.

Another relevant aspect will be the association with the three main world societies of echocardiography and imaging, the American Society of Echocardiography (ASE), the European Association of Cardiovascular Imaging (EACVI) and the Asociación de Ecocardiografía de la Sociedad Interamericana de Cardiología (ECOSIAC). For this, three members will be in close contact with these societies: Dr. Arnaldo Rabischoffsky, with ASE; Dr. Marcelo Miglioranza, with EACVI; and Dr. Oscar Sanches Osella, São Paulo, with ECOSIAC. To apply for membership with the three societies, the current fees are quite affordable, and available on the webpage of each society. Dr. Elisa de Almeida Gripp, from Rio de Janeiro, will be in charge of interrelating DIC's different imaging modalities.

To carry out this management project, we will have the special participation of three members: Dr. Marcos Valério Coimbra de Resende, São Paulo, chief financial officer; Dr. André Luiz Cerqueira de Almeida, Feira de Santana, managing director, and Dr. José Maria del Castillo, Recife, vice president of echocardiography.

Our next Cardiovascular Imaging Conference, the 8th Conference of the Department of Cardiovascular Imaging — DIC, will be held in the beautiful city of Florianópolis, from August 9 to 11, 2018, and will be chaired by Dr. Jamil Mattar Valente, with Dr. Maria Emília Lueneberg as scientific coordinator. Maria Emília and all other Conference organizers have done a terrific job. We are more than sure that this event will be of the highest scientific level and of enormous interest to the members. Several international teachers will be present, kindly offering us knowledge, lessons and joy.

I would like to thank and deeply congratulate our dearest former president, our president for life, our first lady Dr. Samira Saady Morhy, for her leading-edge management approach, for setting up a robust structure for our department, for her fearlessness amidst such diverse scenarios and, above all, for the daily lessons which I so gratefully and happily receive.

My kind regards to all members of our department. I hope that this administration will be from everyone and for everyone. Please send us suggestions and requests.

The department is, first and foremost, a close-knit group.

Sincerely Yours,

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