

## **EHRA Women in EP Committee**

### **Women in Electrophysiology Committee**

#### **1. Committee**

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#### **2. Mission/Preamble**

To emphasize the unique aspects of female gender in patients with cardiac arrhythmias and in health care professionals working in electrophysiology.

#### **3. Objectives**

- a) To heighten the awareness of female specific aspects of cardiac arrhythmias (incl. diagnosis, type of arrhythmia and management)
- b) To initiate and support research in female patients including RCT with sufficient statistical power to allow valid conclusions
- c) To develop tools for guidance and sharing experience for female physicians in carrier choices, family planning, pregnancy (evidence based recommendations for radiation exposure) and combining work with family
- d) To emphasize the attractiveness of the specialization of electrophysiology to female trainees
- e) To support women-specific scientific activities and strengthen gender-equality in EHRA publications
- f) To organize specific EHRA “Women in EP” sessions at the upcoming conferences
- g) To collaborate with professional and patient organizations with similar objectives both in and outside the EHRA countries and to stimulate “Women in EP” .

#### **CHAIRMAN’S JOB DESCRIPTION [anticipated time: 2 hours/week]**

- Establish annual objectives, work plans and timelines of committee activities
- Schedule meetings and develop meeting agendas
- Increase awareness of the presence of the committee and represent the interest of female physician and patients on all forums
- Suggest and prepare new initiatives to discuss in the committee meetings
- Delegate tasks to members and encourage their quality participation
- Take initiatives to contact similar organizations
- Report activities and recommendations to the appropriate entity or entities
- Respond to email notifications and solicitations in a timely manner

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBER JOB DESCRIPTION [anticipated time: 2 hours/week]**

- Work collaboratively with the Chairman and other members to achieve the committee’s objectives
- Participate actively and constructively in all committee meetings
- Respond to email notifications and solicitations in a timely manner
- Suggest and prepare new initiatives to discuss in the committee meetings
- Volunteer for special assignments or tasks when able
- Participate in discussions, meetings/calls and/or voting as appropriate
- Increase awareness of the presence of the committee and represent the interest of female physician and patients on all forums

***To improve the quality of life of the European population by reducing the impact of cardiac arrhythmias and reduce sudden cardiac death.***