

My name is Marie Angele Theard and I became a member of SNACC in 1994 after completing my residency and a Neuroanesthesia fellowship. I believe that the education of our current and future generations is one of the most important charges of SNACC. I have served as the co-chair of the Trainee Engagement Subcommittee and as a question writer for the monthly SNACC quizzes. My Former role as a Neuroanesthesia fellowship director allowed me to be intimately involved with the education of trainees. This experience together with my present responsibilities as clinician, Trauma Research Lead, and Quality Director of a 200 plus anesthesia corporation, have compelled an even broader view of my role as educator, innovator, and advocate for physicians engaged in providing the best possible patient care.

SNACC's international membership engaging individuals at all levels of their training or practice and ensuring that both clinicians and basic neuroscientists have a voice have been aspects of this organization especially impressive to me. I feel that the wide range of diversity among SNACC members plays an important role in ensuring that our society remains innovative in our efforts to educate, advance Neuroscience research, and improve patient care. As the vice-chair of SNACC's Committee on Diversity and Inclusion and an active participant in the WINNER's programming, I am interested in increasing our membership to include *more* voices in our collaborative-minded organization and ensuring that we are solidly positioned to serve as a successful model for the advancement of scientific inquiry.