

Career Development Pre-meeting Workshop

Sunday June 19, 2011 8 am – 12 Noon (Free to meeting registrants*)

Leaving the Rat Race: Consulting as a Career Choice in Toxicologic Pathology

Presented by the Toxicologic Pathologists in Consulting (TOPIC) Interest Group and the STP Career Development and Outreach and Education Committees

So, you've been laid off! Or, maybe you just retired but still want to keep the cash flowing. Maybe all those mindless meetings are starting to get to you. Perhaps you are seeking new ways to use your special knowledge and skills. Even in this tight economy, becoming a full-time or part-time consultant in toxicologic pathology might provide you with an exciting and viable new career path. But, do you know what it takes, and do you have what it takes to successfully operate as a consultant? This workshop, led by long-time consultants with experience in anatomic and/or clinical pathology as well as management of preclinical programs, will help you answer these questions. Partially based on the compiled results of a questionnaire recently completed by members of TOPIC, this workshop will provide a practical approach for successfully planning, starting, and maintaining a consulting career. A panel discussion will allow the audience to interact further with consultant colleagues to gain the most benefit from their tips, tricks, troubles, and triumphs.

Workshop Faculty:

Facilitators: Drs. JoAnn Schuh and Brad Bolon (TOPIC), Drs. Larry Fisher and Michael

Conner (Career Development and Outreach Committee), and Dr. Kevin Keane

(Education Committee)

Agenda

- 8:00-8:05 Introduction
- 8:05-8:35 So you wanna be a consultant.... Brad Bolon
- 8:35-9:00 ...And just what type of consultant are you going to be? JoAnn Schuh
- 9:00-9:35 Setting up your worldwide headquarters Michael Tomlinson
- 9:35-10:05 How Do You Plan to Operate? Graham Smith
- 10:05-10:35 BREAK
- 10:35-11:05 Networking with other consultants and professional organizations Reid Patterson
- 11:05-12:00 Panel discussion and Q & A Session

Who Should Attend?

YOU! This workshop will provide valuable information that is pertinent to all members of the STP.

*Admission is free but registration is required. Attendance is limited to the first 100 registrants.