
Dr. McGrath named ACS commissioner to The Joint Commission

Mary H. McGrath, MD, MPH, FACS, has been appointed to the board of commissioners of The Joint Commission. Dr. McGrath will represent the American College of Surgeons and is one of five prominent health care leaders who were recently added to the 29-member board, which serves as The Joint Commission's governing body. The board includes representatives from each of The Joint Commission's corporate members—the American College of Surgeons, the American College of Physicians, the American Hospital Association, the American Medical Association, and the American Dental Association—six public members, one at-large representative of the nursing profession, and the Joint Commission president.

Dr. McGrath is professor of surgery in the division of plastic and reconstructive surgery at the University of California—



Dr. McGrath

San Francisco and actively practices plastic surgery. She has held numerous leadership positions with the American College of Surgeons, including serving as the First Vice-President (2007–2008), as a member of the Board of Regents for nine years, and as Vice-Chair of the

Board of Regents. Dr. McGrath has been a panel member and consultant for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for more than 20 years, serves regularly on review panels at the National Institutes of Health, and frequently writes journal articles and books. She received her medical degree from St. Louis (MO) University and holds a master of public health degree in health policy and management from The George Washington University, Washington, DC.

LaMar S. McGinnis, Jr., MD, FACS, the current President-Elect of the College, and Kurt D. Newman, MD, FACS, a Past-President of the Metropolitan Washington Chapter of the American College of Surgeons, also serve as representatives of the College on the board of commissioners.

For more information, visit <http://www.jointcommission.org/>.

Trauma meetings calendar

The following continuing medical education courses in trauma are cosponsored by the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma and Regional Committees:

- **Trauma, Critical Care, & Acute Care Surgery–2009,**

April 5–8, 2009, Las Vegas, NV.

- **Trauma, Critical Care, & Acute Care Surgery 2009–Point/Counterpoint XXVIII,** June 8–10, 2009, Atlantic City, NJ.

Complete course information can be viewed online (as it be-

comes available) through the American College of Surgeons' Web site at <http://www.facs.org/trauma/cme/traumtgs.html>, or contact the Trauma Office at 312/202-5342.