

FROM THE SOCIETY

Introducing the New SGIM Staff Members

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Ms. Jetton is Director of Communications for SGIM.

SGM is pleased to announce the hiring of four new staff members at the national office! We are excited to have them all on board:

Brittany Benton (Committees and Initiatives Assistant) assists with the coordination of committee conference calls and retreats, prepares minutes, provides day-to-day oversight of committee activities and programs, and works with volunteer leaders and governing council in support of the Society mission and goals. Brittany comes to us with much experience in government and non-profit positions—most recently in the marketing and membership department of the American Nurses Association.

Katherin Cooper (Meetings Assistant) assists with the management of a variety of meetings (e.g. re-

gional and national educational events, board meetings, and retreats) and provides strong administrative and project management support. This position works closely with the regional meetings coordinator in executing the details of seven annual regional conferences as well as several leadership and board meetings. Katherin most recently worked in the meetings department of the National Association of Chemical Distributors.

Tracey Pierce (Regional Meetings Manager) comes to SGIM after seven years as the associate director of meetings at the National Osteoporosis Foundation. Tracey works with regional leaders to strengthen SGIM at the all-important grassroots level, including helping regional leaders with meetings, Web sites, finances, membership devel-

opment, elections, and continuing medical education.

Donté Shannon (Manager, Volunteer Services) works with SGIM committees, task forces, and work groups to ensure annual goals and objectives are met and ensures that all work from these groups is documented to allow for continuity in work flow and easy archival. He provides support to other staff liaisons to manage annual committee policies and procedures, including leadership transition, selection of new committee members, and submission of annual plans. Donté coordinates collaboration among volunteer members via electronic communication, teleconference, and in-person meetings. He comes to SGIM after six years with the Association of American Medical Colleges where he specialized in applicant and medical school relations.

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