British Society for Heart Failure – update on activities

The British Society for Heart Failure (BSH) is a multi-disciplinary society with over 1,000 members including cardiologists, nurses (community, primary and secondary care), GPs, geriatricians, surgeons, scientists, pharmacists, physiotherapists, trainees in internal medicine and other healthcare professionals involved with the diagnosis, treatment and management of heart failure, and research in this area.

The BSH is a charity and affiliated to the British Cardiovascular Society.

*Please see overleaf for an overview of our activities.*

**BSH objectives**

To increase knowledge and promote research about the diagnosis, causes, management and consequences of heart failure amongst healthcare professionals, with the intention of delaying or preventing the onset of heart failure and improving care for patients with heart failure

*To provide expert advice to healthcare professionals, patient or government organisations, including the National Health Service, when appropriate and as requested.*
HEART FAILURE-RELATED SESSIONS
We will be involved with a number of heart failure-related sessions at the BCS Annual Conference and list these and others that may be of interest to you below. More details and programmes are available in the main BCS Annual Conference programme.

Tuesday 3 June:
• Cardiac emergencies in pregnancy – ‘you are on call, the phone rings, she’s pregnant and has…’ (08:30, Auditorium)
• Inflammation in cardiovascular disease and repair (10:45, Charter 1)
• Heart failure in ‘Tomorrow’s World’ (13:45, Auditorium)
• BCS/Mayo Clinic joint session: innovations in circulatory failure, heart rhythm disorders and multi-modality imaging (16:00, Charter 2/3)
• BHF/HCP joint session: innovative models of care (16:00, Exchange 8, 9, 10)

Wednesday 4 June:
• Affiliated group BSH: heart failure with normal ejection fraction (08:30, Charter 2/3)

Other sessions and poster presentations with a focus on heart failure taking place at the conference may also be of interest to you. Details can be found in the main BCS Annual Conference programme.

PARLIAMENTARY EVENTS 2014
Linked to the European Heart Failure Awareness Day (9 May 2014), an event for MPs will be held on 10 June 2014 in Westminster to raise awareness of heart failure. We are very grateful to Neil Carmichael MP for sponsoring the meeting.

This follows a very successful Scotland Parliamentary Event, held for MSPs on 6 May 2014 in Holyrood, to raise awareness of heart failure in Scotland. We are very grateful to Jim Eadie MSP for sponsoring the meeting.

17TH BSH ANNUAL AUTUMN MEETING 2014
The Annual Autumn Meeting will take place on 27–28 November 2014 at the Queen Elizabeth II (QEII) Conference Centre in London. A programme and registration form will be available on the BSH website in July.

7TH BSH HEART FAILURE DAY FOR REVALIDATION AND TRAINING 2015
The Revalidation and Training Day is confirmed for Thursday 5 March 2015 in London.

5TH BSH HEART FAILURE NURSE STUDY DAY 2015
The Study Day will take place on Friday 6 March 2015 in London.

EUROPEAN HEART FAILURE AWARENESS DAY 2015
Thank you to everyone that took part in 2014. The date of European Heart Failure Awareness Day 2015 will be released later in 2014.

18TH BSH ANNUAL AUTUMN MEETING 2015
This is an opportunity to put this meeting in your diary now for 2015. Dates are confirmed as 26–27 November 2015, and the meeting will be held at the QEII Conference Centre in London.

The BSH gratefully acknowledges the support provided by the Friends of the Society:
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If you would like further information about the BSH, membership, becoming a Friend of the Society or future events, please contact:

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