The Brazilian Young Physicians Committee Associação Brasileira de Otorrinolaringologia Cirurgia Cervico-Facial (ABORL-CCF)

The Brazilian Young Physicians Committee was recently created by the current president of our Association (ABORLCCF), Dr Geraldo Druck Sant'Anna. The objective is to make ABORLCCF a welcoming environment for all young ENT doctors in the country. These young physicians have their own demands and difficulties, and the Association can and should assist them in the beginning of their professional lives.

The group consists of 32 young ENTs from all subspecialties and various regions of our country who maintain close contact with residents and recently graduated ENTs - most of them are Medical Residency preceptors. These young people physicians will serve as a "bridge" between ABORL and residents and, recently graduated residents and fellows, helping identify the demands of this group at the beginning of their careers. These demands involve choosing between academic career or private practice, to engage or not in a master's/doctorate, or Fellowship and to seek improvement in knowledge and performance abroad. Other issues such as medico-legal issues, and participation in congresses are also on high demand.

Due to COVID-19, our meetings have started online. Hopefully the Brazilian Annual Congress in November 2020 will be the first meeting in person and they are all looking forward to this. Meanwhile, daily discussions happen on our WhatsApp group about all ongoing projects. The young ENTs are really excited about this Committee and this has made us even more enthusiastic about this then before the first meeting!

We believe that a strong Association that supports the young physicians at the beginning of their careers is of paramount importance for young people to be interested in associative life and therefore, in the future of our specialty. Our hope is that they will continue to participate actively in ABORLCCF and help build its future with the experience they have acquired.

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