



ABAT

Up to Date

May 2023



ELECTIONS



ABAT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Voting open from
May 12 - June 2 2023**

THE CANDIDATES

Vote online or in
the AACT App



ABAT Secretary-Treasurer (2023-2025)

- Natalija Farrell, PharmD, DABAT, FAACT
- Jami Johnson, PharmD, DABAT

ABAT Board of Directors (2023-2026)

- Jill Michels, PharmD, DABAT
- Jessica Rivera, PharmD, DABAT

**View candidate statements
and submit votes here:**

[ABAT voting](#)

**YOUR VOTE
MATTERS**

May 2023



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of Clinical Toxicology

**CHECK YOUR
PASSPORTS!**
RENEW ASAP!!!

NACCT 2023

September 27-October 1
Fairmont The Queen Elizabeth
Montreal, Canada

Passport wait times increase as more people plan to travel

BY KATIE PRIEFER | CLEVELAND
PUBLISHED 1:45 PM ET APR. 01, 2023

NIGHTLY NEWS

**Passport renewals backlogged
due to post-pandemic travel
surge**

The State Department is reporting an unprecedented 500,000 passport renewal applications each week due to a post-pandemic surge of Americans looking to travel internationally. NBC News' Tom Costello shares more on the backlog.
March 24, 2023

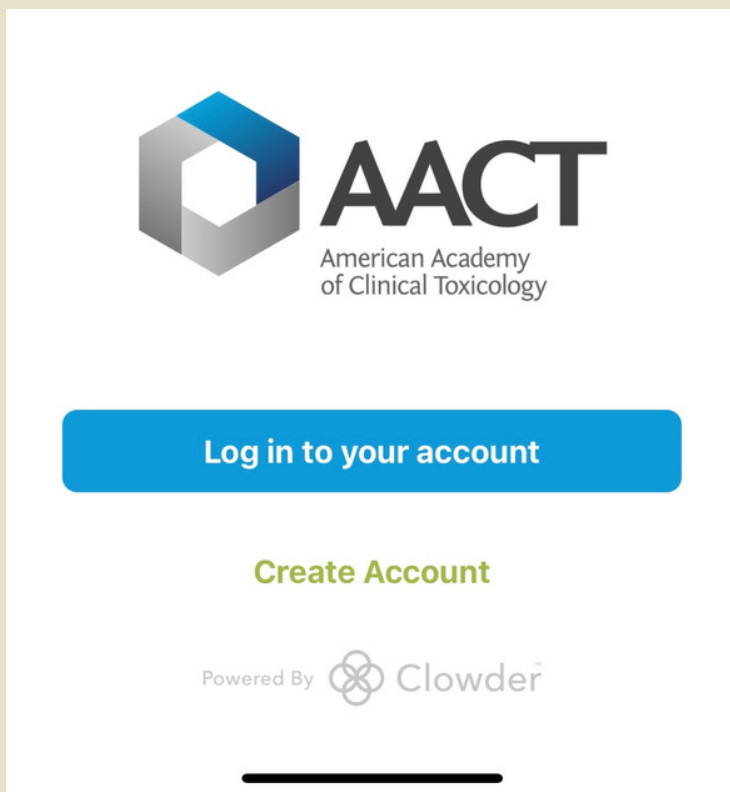
Surge in applications leads to major passport delays

MELISSA ROSE COOPER, CORRESPONDENT | MARCH 29, 2023 | [MORE ISSUES](#)

NJ county clerks advise travelers to apply for a passport as early as possible



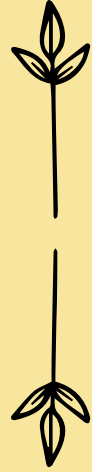
Have you downloaded the AACT App?



Don't miss out on...

- The primary conference navigation tool for NACCT 2023
- Push notifications and announcements for ABAT Events
- Connecting with colleagues - forums created by AACT/ABAT members or start your own!
- **Available free from Apple or Google Play store**

Save THE Date



Events coming from the ABAT Member Engagement Committee

Trivia Night

Thursday, June 15 @ 7:30 PM EST

Cocktail Party

Thursday, July 27 @ 8:00 PM EST



Further details coming soon!

DABAT Certification renewal

Individuals due for certification renewal:



John Fisher III
Richard Thomas
Thomas Caraccio
Gregory Wedin
Frank Paloucek
Bruce Anderson
Karen Simone
Dawn Sollee
David Baker
Shireen Banerji
Lee Cantrell
Howell Foster
Mohamed Yousif Hasan Baniyas



Scott Schaeffer
Patrick Aaronson
Stephanie Hon
Steve Dudley
Ryan Feldman
Patrick Leffers
Justin Loden
Dana Roman
Kristie Williams
Emily Winograd

**Submit your renewal materials by
July 1st**

If you have questions, please e-mail Natalija Farrell:
natalija.mead.farrell@gmail.com

ABAT
Educational
Offerings

IN CASE YOU
MISSED IT...

ABAT Journal Club

Preventing Dihydropyridines from Becoming Dihydropyridines: What to Do when Insulin Isn't Working

This and other past webinars are archived and can be viewed here:

<https://www.clintox.org/education/abat/abat-journal-club-webinars>

ABAT Lifelong Learning Articles (LLSA)

★ LLSA is a required element of Certification Renewal! ★

The most recent (2021) and past articles and quizzes
can be accessed here:

<https://www.clintox.org/education/abat/e-learning-llsa>

AACT wants you to be a Fellow



THERE'S STILL TIME

Application Deadline June 1st

What does it take to be a FAACT?

Many activities qualify, including but not limited to:

- Active involvement in an AACT or ABAT committee or chairing a committee
- EAPCCT committee activity or chair
- NACCT Abstract Reviewer
- Presenting posters or symposia at NACCT
- Clinical Toxicology Reviewer
- AACT webinar presenter

Questions about Fellowship? Contact Rachel Gorodetsky, PharmD, DABAT, FAACT
rachel.gorodetsky@gmail.com

ABAT Member Spotlight



Faisal Syed Minhaj PharmD, MPH, DABAT

Faisal is based in Atlanta, GA and received his Diplomate status in 2021 after completing his toxicology fellowship at the Maryland Poison Center. He holds a Masters in Public Health focused on public health policy from the University of Maryland, and received his PharmD from the University at Buffalo. Faisal sits on the NACCT Abstract Selection Committee and enjoys getting involved in toxicology research when he can.

Currently, Faisal spends most of his time working at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention within the Poxvirus and Rabies branch. Although normally he would be working on smallpox preparedness efforts and projects to build rabies surveillance capacity, this past year caused much of his work to shift to mpox. He continues to teach and mentor residents and students about emergency medicine pharmacy and toxicology when he works at Kennestone Emergency.

He was recently a speaker for AACT's ABAT Webinar [Preventing Dihydropyridines from Becoming Dihydropyridines: What to Do when Insulin Isn't Working](#). Watch it [here!](#)

Faisal is very well published. Check out his [recent paper in ClinTox](#) with colleagues from the Maryland Poison Center entitled [In vitro analysis of n-acetylcysteine \(NAC\) interference with the international normalized ratio \(INR\)](#).

Fun fact: In his spare time Faisal loves to travel and get outside, or when the weather is not cooperative, sit at home playing board games or teasing his two cats, Commissioner Gordon and Chotu.

