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Please share your current and past involvement in AACT, AACT-related activities and/or ABAT.

I have served on the AACT Board of Trustees since 2024. I currently serve as co-chair of the Scientific Committee, where I have worked with colleagues to further define the committee's structure and support several ongoing initiatives. These initiatives have included collaborations with external partners, the development of a methodological framework to guide future research and initiatives related to antidote availability, and the exploration of AI tools to support awareness of drug shortages. I have contributed to AACT's educational programming, including the annual research course, and serve on the Question of the Day Committee. I have also contributed to AACT position statements addressing clinically relevant issues, including appropriate drug scheduling and prevention of occupational opioid exposure in emergency responders.

Please note any previous leadership and/or board experience(s) in other associations and/or institutions.

I serve as Medical Director of the Central Ohio Poison Center and Chief of Toxicology at Nationwide Children's Hospital, where I oversee clinical operations, program development, and interdisciplinary collaboration, with a focus on expanding access to toxicology care and strengthening systems of care for poisoned patients.

At the national level, I serve as Chair of the America's Poison Centers Toxicsurveillance Team and as Co-Chair of the planning committee for ACMT activities at NACCT.

I am an Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine and Pediatrics at The Ohio State University College of Medicine, where I am actively involved in trainee education, mentorship, and research.

Please share your vision and goals as a member of the Board of Trustees.

I have thought carefully about how members find their way into AACT and into meaningful roles within the organization, and that question has shaped my approach to leadership. When I first became involved, I

came from a smaller poison center and hospital consult service and knew very few people. I remember how much it meant when others helped create opportunities to get involved. That experience has stayed with me. I believe we have a tremendous opportunity to continue making pathways for engagement more visible, more accessible, and more welcoming.

A key priority for me would be to continue expanding opportunities for engagement in education, research, advocacy, and leadership so they are visible and accessible to members at every stage of their careers. Our organization is at its best when all members feel welcomed, included, and able to contribute in meaningful ways. At the same time, meaningful participation is strengthened by clear expectations and defined roles, and I would focus on continuing to develop opportunities that support members in contributing in ways that are impactful, sustainable, and fit within the realities of their professional and personal lives.

I am excited about the continued growth of AACT and the impact we can have in shaping the future of toxicology. As our field evolves, so too must the ways in which we communicate our expertise and perspectives. I would work with others across AACT, our sister societies, and the journal to enhance the visibility and timeliness of our position statements and broader communications, reinforcing AACT's place as a trusted, evidence-based voice in toxicology and public health.

I would approach this role with a strong work ethic, a collaborative spirit, and a deep respect for the perspectives and contributions of our members.

Professional Bio (150–200 words; will be used for the program/website)

Hannah Hays, MD, FACEP, FAACT, FACMT is Chief of Toxicology at Nationwide Children's Hospital and Medical Director of the Central Ohio Poison Center. She is an Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine and Pediatrics at The Ohio State University College of Medicine.

Dr. Hays' work focuses on the role of poison centers in public health surveillance, early identification of emerging toxicologic threats, and response to those threats. Her clinical, research, and programmatic efforts emphasize toxicosurveillance, emerging poisons, and systems-based approaches to improving care for poisoned patients. Her mission is to advance the science and practice of toxicology, with a focus on pediatric populations, by identifying emerging hazards, strengthening poison center systems, and protecting children, families, and communities through data-driven care and public health collaboration.

At the national level, Dr. Hays serves on the Board of Trustees of the American Academy of Clinical Toxicology and as Co-Chair of the AACT Scientific Committee. She is also Chair of the America's Poison Centers Toxicosurveillance Team and Co-Chair of the planning committee for ACMT activities at NACCT.

Dr. Hays is committed to advancing the field of toxicology through collaboration, education, and the development of evidence-based approaches to patient care and public health.