# 2020 Election Voter Guide

SOCRA sincerely appreciates the consideration given to the candidates regarding their nomination as officers and directors of the Society. Please review the candidate profiles included within the following pages.

## Duties of President:

The President shall preside over all meetings, in general, supervise all of the affairs of the corporation, may sign documents required to be signed for the Board, serve as an ex-officio member of all committees, and have such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board. The President will serve as the primary staff or management company liaison.

## Duties of Secretary:

The Secretary shall oversee the maintenance of the minutes of all meetings of the Board, and may sign documents on behalf of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall assure that there is maintenance of the Archives. The Secretary should assume the role of parliamentarian.

## Duties of Director:

Directors provide representation, support, oversight and development for the membership of the Society. Membership on the SOCRA Board of Directors is intended to offer the society oversight and leadership based on the individual’s experience in clinical research and based on their expertise in healthcare.

## Board members are asked:

- To contribute their experience and expertise to discussions related to issues important to the clinical research community that would enhance SOCRA’s educational programming
- To encourage and develop relationships with organizations that may contribute to SOCRA’s educational programming through educational grants
- To encourage potential sponsors and contributors to support our publications and exhibit at our conferences
- To develop membership through contacts and presentations to the healthcare community
- To volunteer to participate in SOCRA’s educational programming as a speaker, session chairperson or program chairperson in order to utilize their expertise to further the mission of the Society
Please review the candidate profiles for:

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Vote for One (1) Candidate

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Vote for One (1) Candidate

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**DIRECTOR**
Vote for One (1), Two (2), Three (3), or Four (4) Candidates

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CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT ELECT

Patricia M. Beers Block, M.DEd., BS, BS, CCRP
Independent eClinical Consultant
P. Beers Block Consulting
Maryland, USA

Other Positions
Full Time Lecturer (2017-2020), Clinical Research Management Master of Science Degree Program, School of Health Professions, Department of Health Informatics, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
Adjunct Assistant Professor (part time) (2010-2017), School of Health Professions, Clinical Trials Science Master of Science Degree Program, Department of Health Informatics, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
Medidata Solutions, Vice President, Regulatory Strategy (2010-2012)
U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Expert Consumer Safety Officer (1977-2010)

Academic and Professional Degrees / Certifications
University of Maryland, University College, Master in Distance Education (M.D.Ed.) (2017)
SOCRA Certified Clinical Research Professional (2008-present)
University of Maryland, Bachelor of Science, Computer Management and Information Science (2004)
Rutgers University, Cook College, Bachelor of Science, Biological Sciences (1976)

SOCRA Activities
Secretary, SOCRA Board of Directors (2018-present)
Director, SOCRA Board of Directors, (2015-2018)
Certification Exam Facilitator (2016-present)
Speaker, Clinical Science/Clinical Science Courses (2015-present)

Contributing Author, SOCRA SOURCE Journal (2014-present)
Annual Conference Program Planning Committee (2013-present)
Annual Conference and Preconference Presenter (2012-present)
SOCRA Member (2004-present)

Vision Statement
It is a tremendous honor to be nominated for President Elect. In 2004 I was invited to present at the SOCRA/FDA co-sponsored regulatory conference and found the program to be inspirational in its focus on providing quality programs to Clinical Research professionals. Since then, I have been privileged to serve as a SOCRA speaker, journal author, member of the Annual Conference Program Planning Committee, and member of the SOCRA Board of Directors.

My experiences with FDA and Rutgers University are very relevant to the mission of SOCRA- that of providing high quality education and training opportunities for the clinical research community. As Rutgers faculty, I develop courses that provide relevant information critical to a clinical research professional's success. At FDA, I contributed to US and global clinical research training programs and the development of FDA guidances and policies related to clinical research, and conducted inspections and compliance reviews of clinical research facilities. My experiences in management are likewise important to the President elect -to serve as a leader and collaborator with organizations committed to advancing clinical research best practices and strategies. At FDA I served in multiple management positions that required extensive knowledge and application of global GCP requirements, and good management skills. If elected as President Elect, I promise to serve the SOCRA membership, the Board of Directors, and SOCRA staff to ensure SOCRA achieves its vision that clinical research fully protects research participants with excellence, quality, and professionalism. I sincerely thank you for your support of SOCRA and for casting your vote!
CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT ELECT

Abby B. Statler, PhD, MPH, MA, CCRP
Director, Research Quality and Safety, March 2020 – Present
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH

Other Positions
Taussig Cancer Institute, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland, OH
  Research Associate, November 2018 – March 2020
  Research Regulatory Quality Assurance Coordinator, May 2009 – November 2018
United BioSource Corporation, Lexington, MA
  Research Associate, June 2007 - April 2009

Academic and Professional Degrees / Certifications
Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH, Doctor of Philosophy, 2019
Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH, Master of Public Health, 2015
Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH, Master of Arts in Bioethics, 2015
St. Lawrence University, Canton, NY, Bachelor of Arts, 2007
SOCRA Certified Clinical Research Professional, 2011 – present

SOCRA Activities
Member, Society of Clinical Research Associates, 2009 – present
Board of Directors, Society of Clinical Research Associates, 2017 – present
Speaker, Indianapolis, IN Chapter Meeting, 2019, Annual Conference, 2018, 2016, 2015

Vision Statement
Over the past decade my experiences as a Society of Clinical Research Associates (SOCRA) member, Board Member, speaker, and poster presenter have been truly inspiring. The profound impact SOCRA has on the clinical research community is incredible; the organization’s continued ability to promote quality clinical research across the full spectrum of professional careers is extraordinary. As I look towards the future, I envision SOCRA will continue to be the leader in clinical research education and certification. If elected President, I intend to ensure the organization maintains this position, while promoting the implementation of new innovative initiatives, designed to keep pace with the ever-evolving clinical research landscape. I believe it is essential the organization pioneer the development and implementation of modern educational offerings, specifically designed to support the professional growth of the membership. Over the last several years I have worked with the presidents, board members, and members, on the strategic direction of SOCRA; while actively contributing to this collaborative effort, I developed a deep understanding of SOCRA’s mission, which has positioned me well to facilitate the organization’s future growth. My knowledge and unequivocal enthusiasm for SOCRA will provide the necessary energy, inspiration, and expertise to elevate the organization’s contributions to the clinical research community. It is an honor to be nominated for President Elect of the Society for Clinical Research Associates, I am truly humbled and thank you for your consideration.
CANDIDATE FOR SECRETARY

Virgina L. Doran, MLT, BS, MBA, CCRP
Senior Administrator, Study Submissions & Regulatory Affairs
Clinical Research Services, Roswell Park Cancer Institute
Buffalo, NY

Other Positions
Clinical Research Services, Roswell Park Cancer Institute
  Administrator, Regulatory Affairs
  Network Project Manager
  Clinical Research Associate II / Educator

Academic and Professional Degrees/Certifications
State University New York – Empire State College
  Master of Business Administration, 2011
  Bachelor of Science, 2007
Trocaire College
  Associates Degree, Applied Science, 1980
Harvard Business School Club
SOCRA Certified Clinical Research Professional, 2005 - current

SOCRA Activities
Member, 2004 – current
Chair, Western New York Chapter, 2011 - current
Presenter, NY Chapter, 2012, 2014
Presenter, Annual Conference, 2015
Moderator, Annual Conference, 2017, 2018, 2019

Vision Statement
As a proud member of the SOCRA organization since 2004 and a certified clinical research professional since 2005, it is an honor to be nominated for the Office of Secretary. SOCRA has been instrumental in providing career development by offering quality educational programs. I have supported the SOCRA mission to provide quality education by creating a local Chapter in 2011 and serving as the local Chapter Chair. Together with a team of dedicated local professionals, we have consistently brought educational programs to the Western New York area. As an elected Director in 2017, it was my pleasure to serve on the Board of Directors and to be able to contribute and become more involved in the strategic force of the organization. As Secretary, I plan to continue to support the organization with professionalism by engaging in discussions and volunteering my service and organizational skills to create and maintain appropriate and accurate documentation.
CANDIDATE FOR SECRETARY

Tina M. Willbee, BS, CCRP
Project Manager, Project Management, Center of Excellence
Covance
Princeton, NJ

Other Positions
PAREXEL
   Early Product Development, Oncology Project Leader, 2017-2018
Covance
   Early Clinical Development/Phase 1, Project Manager & Associate Project Manager, 2015-2017
University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, Clinical Trials Office
   Administrative Manager, 2013-2015
   Clinical Research Project Manager, 2010-2013
   Clinical Research Coordinator-Mentor, 2007-2010
   Clinical Research Coordinator, 2004-2007
MPI Research
   Marketing Coordinator, 2003-2004
   Study Coordinator, 2000-2003

Academic and Professional Degrees/Certifications
Eastern Michigan University, Bachelor of Science, 2000
SOCRA Certified Clinical Research Professional, 2007-present

SOCRA Activities
Member, 2006-present
Chair, SE Michigan Chapter, 2011-present
Speaker, 2014 Annual Conference
Poster Presenter, Annual Conference, 2009, 2015
Board of Directors, 2019-present

Vision Statement
I am honored to be nominated for the secretary position. As a current member of the Board of Directors I have been able to participate and contribute to SOCRA’s continued growth and educational opportunities for our members. In my current clinical project manager position at Covance much of my day to day job is keeping minutes, tracking minutes and multiple documents. If elected to the Board Secretary position I will be able to use my skill set from my project management position to contribute to the board meetings and record the meeting minutes accurately. I am excited to give back to the SOCRA community. This organization has allowed me to continue to grow and learn throughout my entire research career. Thank you for your consideration and voting!
Jennifer L. Bryant, MPA, CCRP
Project Director
Westat, Clinical Trials Practice
Rockville, MD

Other Positions
Westat, Clinical Trials Practice
  Project Manager, 2012 - 2017
  Senior Clinical Research Associate, 2009 – 2012
  Clinical Research Associate, 2005 – 2009
Southern Illinois School of Medicine, Springfield Committee for Research Involving Human Subjects
  IRB Administrator, 1993 - 1994

Academic and Professional Degrees / Certifications
University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE
  Bachelor of Arts, 1990
University of Illinois at Springfield (formerly Sangamon State University)
  Master of Public Administration, 1993
SOCRA Certified Clinical Research Professional, 2009 - current

SOCRA Activities
Member, 2006 - current
Speaker, Annual Conference, 2013
Annual Confence Poster Evaluator, 2018

Vision Statement
As a member of SOCRA for 14 years, I have obtained a great deal of information about clinical research in a variety of disciplines with many different populations, building a strong foundation for my experience with the road map to designing and implementing successful research. I am happy to have had the chance to share my clinical research expertise at SOCRA Annual Conferences through poster presentations and as a speaker.

As a member of the Board of Directors, I would contribute to the SOCRA agenda by sharing my experience in supporting clinical sites located in global resource-limited settings where capacity-building is required; establishing strong working relations with multiple U.S. Government contractors and collaborators who need to work together; and providing guidance to clinical sites to encourage high performance that meets expectations for GCP/HSP compliance and data integrity. I look forward to also continuing to learn from SOCRA members and the Board of Directors.
CANDIDATE FOR DIRECTOR

Alyssa K. Gateman, MPH, CCRP
Associate Director, Quality Assurance
Yale Center for Clinical Investigation
Yale University
New Haven, CT

Other Positions
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Quality Assurance Office for Clinical Trials
   Director, 2012-2014
   Deputy Director, 2010-2012
   Assistant Director, 2005-2010
   Clinical Trials Monitor, 2001-2005
   Clinical Investigations Data Analyst III, 2001-2005

Academic and Professional Degrees/Certifications
Boston University, School of Public Health, Boston, MA
   Master’s of Public Health, 2005
Elmira College, Elmira, NY
   Bachelor of Arts, 1998
SOCRA Certified Clinical Professional, 2006-current

SOCRA Activities
   Member, 2003-current
   Chair, Boston Chapter, 2010-2014
   Chair, Greater New Haven Chapter, 2018-current

Other Activities
   American Association of Cancer Institute’s Clinical Research Initiative
      Steering Committee Member, 2011-2014
   Elmira College, Class of 1998
      Secretary, 1997- current
   Boy Scouts of America, Pack 4442, Salem, NH
      Cub Scout Den Leader, 2012-2014

Vision Statement
I believe education and training are essential to quality research, which protects the rights, safety and welfare of human subjects. SOCRA’s membership, educational courses and certification allowed me to gain a solid foundation early in my research career. As the former Boston SOCRA Chapter Chair and now the current founding Greater New Haven SOCRA Chapter Chair, I strive to meet the continuing education needs and to foster professional development of regional SOCRA members. As a director on the Board of Directors, I would enjoy the opportunity to continue this work, but with a broader span of influence, in order to ensure SOCRA members are well prepared and have the tools to conduct quality research in the face of current and future research challenges.
CANDIDATE FOR DIRECTOR

Aryn Knight, BS, CCRP
Administrative Director, Center for Clinical Research, 
Texas Heart Institute 
Houston, Texas

Other Positions
Texas Heart Institute
Assistant Administrative Director, 2018 – 2019 
Clinical Research Oversight Specialist, 2016 – Current
Baylor College of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics
Senior Regulatory Affairs Manager, 2014 – 2016
Senior Project Manager, 2014 – 2016
Regulatory Affairs Coordinator, 2013 – 2014
Senior Clinical Research Coordinator, 2008 – 2012
Clinical Research Coordinator III, 2005 – 2008

Academic and Professional Degrees/Certifications
University of Southern Mississippi – Hattiesburg, MS
Bachelor of Science, 2000
SOCRA Certified Clinical Research Professional, 2007 - current

SOCRA Activities
Member, 2007 – Current
Chapter Chair – Houston Galveston, 2013 – Current
Job Task Analysis Committee Member, 2018
Certification Content Writing Committee, 2018 – Current

University of Pennsylvania, Department of Psychiatry
Clinical Research Coordinator, 2005

University of Texas, Health Science Center,
Department of Psychiatry
Clinical Research Coordinator, 2001 – 2004

University of Mississippi Medical Center,
Department of Psychiatry
Clinical Research Coordinator, 2000 – 2001

Professional Activities
Texas Medical Center - Houston
Chairperson – Clinical Research Professional Training and Education Committee, 2018 – Current
Institutional Review Board Member, 2018 – Current

Vision Statement
I have had the honor of serving as Chairperson for the Houston Galveston SOCRA Chapter since 2013. During my tenure, I have 
diligently worked to provide pertinent and time efficient clinical research educational opportunities to our professional members and 
to the medical community at large. In 2018, I collaborated with the Texas Medical Center, the largest medical complex in the United 
States, to assist in the development of the ‘Monthly Education and Training Series’ for all clinical research professionals working within 
the geographical area.

Serving on the SOCRA Board of Directors would be the fulfillment of a personal and professional goal I have had since joining the 
organization. This position will increase my professional knowledge so that I can better educate our research community on various 
levels and within a larger population. Clinical research is my passion. It is my calling to give back to our SOCRA research community 
through educational projects and mentorship.
CANDIDATE FOR DIRECTOR

Jessica L. Rowe, MA, MS, CCRP
Human Research Protection Program Manager
Emig Research Center, WellSpan Health
York, PA

Other Positions
University of Maryland, Baltimore
Lecturer/Adjunct Faculty,
Research Administration, Graduate School, 2019
Research Quality Improvement Manager,
School of Nursing, 2017-2019
Research Quality Improvement Specialist,
School of Nursing, 2015-2017
Clinical Division Manager (Research),
Neurology, 2014-2015
Lead Clinical Research Specialist,
Neurology, 2012-2014
Clinical Research Specialist, 2010-2012
IRB Analyst,
Human Research Protection Office, 2009-2010
Clinical Research Specialist,
Anesthesiology, 2008-2009
Clinical Research Assistant, Neurology, 2006-2008

SOCRA Activities
Member, 2012-current
Chair -Southern PA Chapter, 2019-current
Baltimore Area Chapter, Education Coordinator, 2014-2018
Speaker, Annual Conference, 2019
Speaker, Southern PA Chapter Meeting, 2019
Speaker, Annual Conference, 2018

Academic and Professional Degrees/Certifications
University of Maryland, Baltimore
Master of Science, Regulatory Science, 2016
University of Maryland, Baltimore
Graduate Certificate: Research Ethics, 2014
Pennsylvania State University, The Capitol College
Master of Arts, Applied Psychological Research, 2009
State University of New York College at Potsdam
Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, 2004
SOCRA Certified Clinical Research Professional, 2012-current

Other Activities
PRIM&R Member, 2019-current
University of Maryland, Research Coordinator Training Committee, 2019
University of Maryland, Institutional Review, Board Member, 2018-2019
UMMS Nursing and PCS Research Council, Member, 2018-2019
Health Improvement Institute, Credentialed Judge, 2018-2019
University of Maryland Baltimore, Staff Senator, 2016-2018
Presenter, PRIM&R Webinar, 2020
Presenter, Nurse Institute Leadership Annual Conference, 2019
Presenter, Responsible Conduct of Research Lecture Series, UMB, 2018

Vision Statement
Throughout my career I have supported biomedical and social behavioral clinical research development/coordination, research administration activities, human research protection program management, regulatory oversight, and research education. My experience has allowed me to live my career passion in research education and human subject protections. I firmly believe that continued education and industry networking are essential to the success of research. My involvement in SOCRA over the past decade has informed my belief in the power of education and community and I appreciate how the organization’s mission aligns with my passion.

It would be a privilege to serve as a member of the SOCRA Board of Directors. My background, experience, and passion for the field and for education, offer me a firm foundation to contribute to the organization and meet the needs of members in a meaningful way. I would welcome the opportunity to be a part of a Board that is passionate about developing an educational agenda that aligns with the current research climate and that anticipates future challenges.
CANDIDATE FOR DIRECTOR

Muhammad Waseem, MD, MS, FAAP, FACEP, FAHA, CHSE-A, CCRP, CIP, CPI

Research Director, Emergency Medicine
Vice Chair, Institutional Review & Ethics Board
Lincoln Medical Center, Bronx New York

Other Positions
Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, NY
  Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine in Clinical Pediatrics, 2001 - 2007
  Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine in Clinical Pediatrics, 2007 – 2017
  Associate Professor of Clinical Healthcare Policy and Research, 2015 - 2016
  Professor of Emergency Medicine in Clinical Pediatrics, 2017 - present

Academic and Professional Degrees/Certifications
M.B.B.S. Dow Medical College, Karachi, Pakistan, 1988
MS, Clinical Investigation, Weill Medical College of Cornell University, 2011
MS, Epidemiology and Health Services Research, Weill Medical College of Cornell University, 2013

SOCRA Activities
Member, 2014
Speaker Annual Conference, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019

Other Activities
Fellow, American Academy of Pediatrics, 2009-present
Fellow, American College of Emergency Physicians, 2012-present
Fellow, American Heart Association, 2012-present
American College of Emergency Physicians
  Pediatric Emergency Medicine Committee, 2010-present
  Research Committee, 2011-present
American Heart Association
  Emergency Cardiovascular Care Committee, 2015-2016
  Eastern States Education Subcommittee, 2019

Society of Academic Emergency Medicine
  Research Committee, 2017-present
  Education Committee, 2017-present
Society for Simulation in Healthcare
  Certification Council, 2017-present
  Education Committee, 2017-present
Society of Critical Care Medicine, Scientific Review Committee, 2015 - 2018
American College of Emergency Physicians/New York Chapter
  Research Committee, 2012-present
  Professional Development Committee, 2018-present
Health and Hospital Corporation New York City, Research Council, 2016-present

Vision Statement
Through my long career as both emergency clinician and researcher, I have accrued a wealth of experience in translational research, bringing findings from my research into the Emergency Department (ED), and generating new studies from my day to day work as a clinician. As a pediatric emergency physician at a high-volume emergency department with an active emergency medicine residency program, I have been surrounded for years by unique medical cases and the opportunity to mentor young investigators in pediatric research. Through my experience, I have become especially interested in process improvement for better outcomes in the ED. In addition to training new physicians and scientists, in my administrative capacity in the pediatric emergency department I have helped to develop strategies for improving systems across clinical disciplines. I look forward to bringing all of this experience to SOCRA and to the board of directors.