

Frequently Asked Questions

Residents are very busy with so many demands on their time. How do you make it attractive to them? Personal invitations help, and once they attend they want to return. They especially enjoy the friendships with residents from other hospitals. The information they gain at CLM is valuable and hard to find.

You have a no alcohol policy. Do you get complaints? The residents are happy to sip on iced tea or lemonade. DC is a place where a drinking and driving conviction can cause problems, even after just one one drink. Attendees are sharp and intellectually engaged. By eliminating alcohol the programs are more affordable.

Are your CLM alumni leaders in WPS? What kinds of positions do they hold?

They are often committee members, chapter officers, and area representatives. They bring youthful energy and passion to the WPS leadership.

Do you trouble finding speakers? No. Our WPS members are very willing to speak, as are other psychiatrists brought in from outside the area. There is no compensation.

How are decisions made? If possible, decisions are made by consensus among the committee. In urgent matters the senior psychiatrist committee chair makes decisions, often in consultation with staff.

What role does staff play? Staff posts Information on the Web site, sends out blasts, handles registration, works with venues and handle contracts and payments. Occasionally attends meeting to assist and take photographs. Nametags are simply sticky badges, avoiding the whole namtag issues.

How is the program funded? It is funded partially from WPS money and has gotten grants from APA and Area 3. We are currently pursuing corporate relationships.