## **EXHIBITOR PROSPECTUS**

# 2023 VASA HANDS-ON PRACTICUM ON HEMODIALYSIS ACCESS





# **Dear Industry Colleague,**

On behalf of the Vascular Access Society of the Americas, we want to take this opportunity to invite you to participate as a Commercial Exhibitor at the Vascular Access Society of the Americas' Hands-On Practicum on Hemodialysis Access that will be held May 18-20, 2023 at Houston Methodist Research Institute in Houston, Texas.

This I ½ day practicum on hemodialysis access is a rare opportunity for health care professionals to have hands-on experience with surgical and interventional procedures for creating and maintaining hemodialysis vascular access. Led by nationally recognized faculty, attendees will participate in workshops, live patient evaluations, interactive case discussions and didactic presentations. Attendees will spend a full day in a selection of hands-on workshops with expert-guided rotations including:

- percutaneous arteriovenous fistulas creation
- laparoscopic and percutaneous peritoneal dialysis catheter placement
- HeRO graft implantation
- percutaneous procedures for arteriovenous grafts in an animal model
- cadaveric exposures with demonstration of leg fistulas and clavicle & rib resections
- · experience with inside-out device for recanalization of occluded central veins
- live access cases
- experience with new products under development
- and more!

The exhibit participation fees are \$25,000, \$15,000 and \$10,000. Please refer to page (3) of this brochure to view the various opportunities available with each exhibit participation level. Limited additional registration for company representatives as Practicum participants is available. Please review this brochure carefully and return your application as soon as possible as space is limited.

We hope that you will consider participating in this event. The VASA Board of Directors is dedicated to ensuring this will be a productive and engaging experience for both your company and our members and Practicum participants.

Again, we are grateful for your commitment to VASA and look forward to seeing you in Houston.

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## **EXHIBIT PARTICIPATION FEES**

EXHIBIT PARTICIPATION LEVEL	PLATINUM	GOLD	SILVER
Contribution	\$25,000	\$15,000	\$10,000
Benefits	<ul> <li>Premium placement in Exhibitor area</li> <li>Two six-foot tables</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Prime placement in Exhibitor area</li> <li>Two six-foot tables</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Space in Exhibitor area</li><li>One six-foot table</li></ul>
Registration	Registration for four representatives at exhibit space (lunch included)	Registration for three representatives at exhibit space (lunch included)	Registration for two representatives at exhibit space (lunch included)
Listing of company name, address, telephone, fax and email and up to a 50-word company description in the Exhibitor Information Brochure made available to Practicum attendees	Yes	Yes	Yes

Representatives are allowed to attend the Friday Evening Social Event. Option to request additional exhibit space based on availability.

**APPLICATION:** To confirm your participation as an Exhibitor, please complete and return the Application and Exhibit Letter of Agreement by Friday, April 14, 2023. However, companies are encouraged to return applications as soon as possible as space is limited.

**PAYMENT:** A 50% deposit of the participation fee must be returned with the Application. The balance must be paid by Friday, April 14, 2023. Checks should be made payable to: Vascular Access Society of the Americas (VASA) and mailed with the Application to:

1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 205, Frankfort, KY 40601 (859) 977-7457, Fax: (859) 271-0607, E mail: info@vasamd.org

**SATELLITE SYMPOSIA:** Share your message and provide valuable information to attendees at Scientific Sessions through a satellite symposium. Satellite symposia are programs that are planned and conducted by the corporate community in conjunction with VASA's Scientific Sessions. These sessions provide attendees with additional educational/informational opportunities. The program content and product information in these sessions are the sole responsibility of the corporate supporters. Satellite symposia are offered during breakfasts and lunches. Sponsors are responsible for providing content. Fees for satellite symposia are \$20,000 for each session. Limited space is available.

# Rules & Regulations

This exhibit is being held in conjunction with a CME activity which has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) and will follow these Conditions:

Houston Methodist agrees to provide exhibit space for the below-listed exhibitor for the Vascular Access Society of the Americas Hands-On Practicum on Hemodialysis Access on May 18-20, 2023. Houston Methodist will acknowledge exhibitor support in course materials.

The exhibitor acknowledges that conducting marketing or promotional activities in any conference area except for their assigned exhibit space is prohibited. Commercial interests may not engage in sales, promotional activities, or distribute product-specific advertisements while in the designated location of the CME activity. CME activity space includes, but is not limited to, lecture halls, break out rooms, and laboratory areas.

Exhibitors and Houston Methodist agree to abide by the ACCME's Standards for Commercial Support. Any actions that are not in accordance with the above stated policies may result in the removal of the exhibiting company and its representatives from the conference site, in which case no refund of exhibit fees will be allowed.

**BADGE POLICY:** All participants affiliated with the company must be registered. Each representative will be issued an exhibitor badge and must be employed by the participating Company or have a direct business affiliation.

**CONDUCT OF COMPANY & EXHIBITS:** The Vascular Access Society of the Americas reserves the right to restrict the operation of, or evict completely, any exhibit which, in its sole opinion, detracts from the general character of the exhibit program and exhibition as a whole. This includes, but is not limited to an exhibitor which, because of noise, flashing lights, method of operation, display of unsuitable material, are determined by the Society to be objectionable to the successful conduct of the exposition as a whole. No drawings, raffles or quiz-type contests of any type will be permitted. No bags or containers for collection of samples are to be distributed by an exhibitor. This applies to any envelope, folder, portfolio, box, or other item that provides carrying space for more than a single sample. Electrical or other mechanical apparatus must be muffled so noise does not interfere with other exhibitors. Character of the exhibits is subject to approval of the Society. The right is reserved to refuse applications not meeting standards required or expected, as well as the right to curtail exhibits or parts of exhibits which reflect against the character of the meeting. This applies to displays, literature, advertising, novelties, souvenirs, conduct of persons, etc.

**DIRECT SALES:** No retail sales are permitted within the exhibit area any time, but orders may be taken.

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** Please contact the Vascular Access Society of the Americas office if you have a disability which will require accommodation.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT OR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES / UNOFFICIAL**

SATELLITE EVENTS: The Vascular Access Society of the Americas will coordinate scheduling and space release for company meetings. No functions may be scheduled to conflict with the Vascular Access Society of the Americas Practicum including the Scientific Sessions, Workshops, Labs and evening Receptions or Dinners. Companies wishing to invite meeting attendees to restaurants or other functions must do so following the official conclusion of any and all of these VASA events. Companies intending to host sales, pre-convention or post-convention meetings, involving only their employees, must inform the Society, and if the meeting is being held at conference center being used for the Practicum, must have space released by the Society.

THE CONFERENCE CENTER LIABILITY AND INSURANCE: The appointed facilities and the Vascular Access Society of the Americas shall not be liable for any death or injury arising from or out of any occurrence in, upon, at or relating to the Facilities, or damage to property of Houston Methodist and other facilities being used for the Practicum or of others located in the Facilities, nor shall they be responsible for any loss or damage resulting from the negligence of Houston Methodist and other facilities being used for the Practicum, the Vascular Access Society of the Americas, Agentis Management, its agents, servants or employees or other persons for whom it may, in law, be responsible. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Houston Methodist and other facilities being used for the Practicum and the Vascular Access Society of the Americas shall not be without limitation, any subrogation claims by Houston Methodist and other facilities being used for the Practicum, Agentis Management's and the Vascular Access Society of the Americas' insurers.

The Exhibitor assumes sole and entire responsibility for any and all bodily and personal injury (including death) and damage to property that may be sustained in connection with or resulting from the Vascular Access Society of the Americas' use of and conduct of the Facility and shall indemnify and hold harmless Houston Methodist, Agentis Management, the Vascular Access Society of the Americas, from any claim or damage (including attorney's fees and expenses of legal proceeding) they may sustain, or be required to pay, in connection with or arising out of the Practicum Course by reason of the act, omission or negligence of any person associated with the Practicum Course or where presence in the Facility is attributable to the Practicum Course, including, without limitation, any violation by the exhibitor of the rules and regulations in the prospectus. Such assumption or responsibility and indemnification by the Vascular Access Society of the Americas shall apply unless such damage or injury results from the sole negligence, gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Vascular Access Society of the Americas, Houston Methodist and other facilities being used for the Practicum and their employees and agents. In addition, Exhibitor acknowledges that the Vascular Access Society of the Americas, Agentis Management and Houston Methodist and other facilities being used for the Practicum do not maintain insurance covering Exhibitor's property and that it is the sole responsibility of Exhibitors to obtain business interruption and property damage insurance covering such loses by the Exhibitor.



### **APPLICATION**

Vascular Access Society of the Americas (Joint Provider) Houston Methodist (Accredited Provider) & Commercial Interest

**Course Title:** Hands-On Practicum on Hemodialysis Access

Date/Location: May 18-20, 2023, Houston Methodist Research Institute, Houston, TX

	Company Information		
☐ We would like to participate in the			
VASA Practicum Course on May			
<b>18-20, 2023 in Houston, Texas</b> as an exhibitor at the below amount (check one):	Company Name (Name will be published exactly as shown)		
□ \$25,000 □ \$15,000 □ \$10,000	Business Address		
☐ Satellite Symposia - \$20,000			
To confirm your participation as an Exhibitor, please complete and return	City State/Province ZIP		
the application to Brian Doty at VASA headquarters at bdoty@vasamd.org, by <b>Friday, April 14, 2023</b> . However,	Phone Number Fax Number		
companies are encouraged to return applications as soon as possible as space is limited.	Company Email Address Web site		
space is infliced.	Please avoid space assignment next to the following companies:		
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participation fee must be returned with			
the Application. The balance must be paid by April 14, 2023. Checks should			
be made payable to: Vascular Access			
Society of the Americas (VASA ) and			
mailed with the Application to:	Payment Information		
VASA 2023 Practicum Course			
1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 205 Frankfort, KY 40601	It is understood that this application will become a binding contract upon acceptance by VASA, and incorporated into this contract are the attached terms, conditions, rules and regulations. Payable in U.S. dollars.		
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listed above. Retain one copy for your	Choose one: □ Check □ MC □ VISA □ AMEX □ Discover		
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Applications must be received by	Card Number Expiration Date		
VASA by <b>April 14, 2023</b> to be included in the <b>VASA Practicum Exhibitor</b>			
Information Brochure.	Name of cardholder (please print)  Signature of cardholder		
Please make checks payable to the Vascu-			
lar Access Society of the Americas (VASA).	Cardholder Address (if different from above)		
	Return signed contract along with payment to:		
	Vascular Access Society of the Americas		

Frankfort, KY 40601

You may also return via email to Brian Doty at VASA head quarters at bdoty@vasamd.org, or by fax to 859-271-0607.