

ISCT Seattle Meeting Session “Strenuous Standards; Savvy Solutions”

From the smallest processing facility to cell therapy divisions of large corporations, there are challenges we are all required to meet in order to be compliant and to mitigate risk. These requirements may come from voluntary accreditation standards, mandatory international, federal or state regulations or simply industry best practices. There are many ways to meet these requirements, some better than others. Think about the challenges your facility or organization has had to meet. If you have developed a unique, robust or systems-based approach to meeting a challenge your facility faced, we want to hear it!

The Technical Applications Track Planning Committee is offering a unique session at the 2012 ISCT Annual Meeting in Seattle as a way to attract a wider range of speakers. In particular, we want to hear from those individuals who are developing and implementing “savvy solutions” in order to meet the “strenuous standards.” We are now accepting your “savvy solution” entries. Once the submission period has ended, the committee will select four winning “solutions” to be presented at the annual meeting. Winners (or their appointed representative) will be asked to give a 15 minute presentation followed by an interactive Q & A session, and will receive free meeting registration. A “Savvy Solutions” submission form is available [here](#). **Submission deadline is February 29, 2012.**

Note: some requirements may only be truly challenging because of internal circumstances, such as low staffing levels or aggressive timelines. We will accept submissions on any challenge you have faced, but have provided some topics below as examples to consider.

Management	Regulatory
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff workload • Acquiring space • Staff training & competency • Coordination of collection & processing activities • Communications & documentation • Billing & reimbursement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of new standards & regulations • Change control • Donor testing & screening, including hemodilution • IND preparation & management • Deviation investigation & reporting
Quality	Operations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stability programs • Process improvement • Validation & qualification • Deviation management • Auditing internally & externally 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Material management • Environmental monitoring • Environmental control, cleaning documentation, line clearance • Process development • Product testing and evaluation