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TO: ABC Members  
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SMT Forum

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MCN 09-093: Save the Date: ABC Interim Meeting & MD Workshop (July 31-Aug 3, 2009)

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**Mark your calendars and plan to attend!** Blood Bank of the Redwoods welcomes you to Santa Rosa, California for ABC's Interim Meeting (Aug 1-3) & MD Workshop (July 31-Aug 1).

**SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE:** *(online registration will open in June)*

1 Sat Morning	ABC Committee Meetings
1 Sat Afternoon	SMT Forum <i>(continues Sun)</i>
2 Sat Evening	Late Harvest/Dessert Wine Tasting and Live Jazz at hotel <i>(hosted by BBR)</i>
2 Sun Morning	SMT Forum <i>(cont'd from Sat)</i>
2 Sun Afternoon (1-4pm)	Board of Directors Meeting
2 Sun Evening	Reception at Chateau St. Jean Winery <i>(hosted by BBR)</i>
3 Monday	ABC Members Meeting; Executive Leadership Forum
<b>Non-Interim Meeting sessions:</b>	
31 July	BCx Meeting
31 July-1 Aug	Medical Directors Workshop
2 Sun Afternoon (4-5pm)	GSABC Member Meeting

**HOTEL – reserve by July 10** *(reserve early to ensure availability)*

[Hyatt Vineyard Creek Hotel](#) Rate: \$229; Group Code: "G-ABBC"

Reserve: 1.800.633.7313 or <http://vineyardcreek.hyatt.com/groupbooking/sonomabcc2009>

**TRAVEL INFO:** Rental cars are recommended for ground transportation from San Francisco or Oakland airport (do not take taxis). Driving times are approximate, depending on traffic.

**Airports:**

- [Sonoma County Airport STS](#) (7 miles/15 minutes); Taxi \$20. **Horizon Air** offers non-stop daily flights to and from Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Portland and Seattle.
- [San Francisco International Airport SFO](#) (67 miles; approx 1.5-2 hrs)
- [Oakland International Airport OAK](#) (68 miles; approx 1.5-2 hrs)

**Shuttle Services:**

- [Sonoma County Airport Express](#) offers daily service between Sonoma County and San Francisco and Oakland Airports; see website for schedules and fares or call 1.800.327.2024. Fares are \$32/each way. The shuttle does NOT drop off at the Hyatt Vineyard Creek Hotel, but rather at the Days Inn just minutes north of the Hyatt. Taxi service is available from the Days Inn to the Hyatt Vineyard Creek.
- [Shuttle California](#) is another local shuttle service, offering door-to-door service from the three airports to the Hyatt Vineyard Creek Hotel. From the San Francisco and Oakland Airports, the rate is \$110/each way (add \$10 per additional person; for two people the cost would be \$60/pp/each way). Reservations must be made in advance either online or by calling 707.648.7008.

**Tourist Info:** Santa Rosa and Sonoma County tourist information is online! Click [here](#) (or see [www.bbr.org/abc\\_conf.htm](http://www.bbr.org/abc_conf.htm)). Packets containing a brochure of the online postings plus a Sonoma County visitors guide were available at the Annual Meeting; to request a packet via postal mail, contact Lori Beaston.