March features the International Medical Graduates (IMG) Committee. The Goals for this committee are:

- Increase Engagement
- Continue Mentorship Event
- Orientation Event
- Promote AIMn
- Promote LEAD/Mentorship for FACP

This year the Chapter’s annual Mentorship/ IMG Awards dinner will be held on Friday, April 5 @ 6:30 pm at ArMA headquarters, 810 West Bethany Home Road, Phoenix. There is still time to submit your nominations.

The Award categories are:
Outstanding Academic IMG
Outstanding Practicing IMG
Outstanding Rising Star IMG

To nominate a worthy person, simply send a paragraph about that person to Governor Lopez at alopez@azcc.arizona.edu or to Dixie at DSwan@azmed.org.

Previously honored:

**Outstanding Academic IMG**
Emily Mallin, MD - 2011
Jayendra Shah, MD - 2011
Muhammad F. Khan, MD, FACP – 2012
Ibrahim Qaqish, MBBS, FACP - 2012

**Outstanding Practicing IMG**
Ibrahim Elali, MD, FACP - 2011
Shireen Jindani, MD -- 2011
Suresh Anand, MD, FACP - 2012

**Outstanding Rising Star IMG**
If you are interested in being a mentor or a mentee for this event, please contact Dixie at DSwan@azmed.org as soon as possible. Check the categories for nomination then make a reservation and plan on coming!!

ACP Arizona - Day at the State Legislature - a Rousing Success!!
Thanks to all of you who were able to join us on March 6, 2013 for our fourth annual Day at the State Legislature. The event was very successful with medical students, residents, attending physicians and affiliated health care members participating and listening to lobbyists and legislators. Many ACP AZ members also visited their legislators in their Senate or House offices. It was an interesting and challenging day!

ACP Arizona would like to offer special thanks to Joe Abate, Lobbyist, Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association, Rory Hays, Counsel, Arizona Nurses’ Association, David Landrith, Vice President of Policy & Political Affairs, Arizona Medical Association, Pete Wertheim, Vice President, Strategic Communications, Arizona Hospital and Healthcare Association, Helena Whitney, Director of Legislative Affairs & Government Relations at UA Health Network (merged companies UMC & UPH) and to Dr. Anita C. Murcko, Chair of Health and Public Policy Committee, ACP Arizona, whose dedication and hard work assures a great day!

JOURNAL CLUB... Medical Students around the State gathered on Wednesday, March 20 in Phoenix at the University of Arizona College of Medicine campus, and at the University of Arizona College Of Medicine, Tucson campus, for an exchange of ideas. Participants report a high level of energy and information exchanged and learned, in a low-stress environment, with a light meal thrown in! The students had the unique opportunity to discuss the topic of pulmonary embolus management with our resident international expert and Master of the College, James Dalen, MD, MACP! Many thanks to Mateja Lekic (UACOM-T), Anna Lise Koenig (UACOM-P), and Verni Logendran (Midwestern University) for their leadership in this Journal Club!!

Medical Students: ACP has a publication designed just for you! Check out this link to IMpact Newsletter – The Internal Medicine Newsletter for Medical Students. http://www.acponline.org/medical_students/impact/index.html

ACP Advocates for Internal Medicine Network -- AIMn
If you have not yet signed up to learn about advocacy opportunities, please register at http://capwiz.com/acponline/mlm/signup. This is an exciting time to be in medicine, let your voice be heard for Internal Medicine!! If you do not speak up, who will??
**Internal Medicine 2013-Arizona Reception**

An exciting event is being planned for ACP members in San Francisco at Internal Medicine 2013. Get all the important information at [http://im2013.acponline.org/](http://im2013.acponline.org/) Join ACP Arizona friends at the Chapter Reception on Friday, April 12, 2013 @ the San Francisco Marriott Marquis.

**ACP Leadership Day in Washington, D.C. is May 21-22, 2013.** Leadership Day enables the College to increase its presence on Capitol Hill and bring issues of concern to the attention of U.S. lawmakers. This two-day event provides ACP members with advocacy and/or media training, an update on the College's priority legislative issues; briefings from Members of Congress, Administration officials, and key Capitol Hill staffers, and an opportunity to meet with your state's elected officials. A special briefing for associates and medical students is also provided. More at [http://www.acponline.org/advocacy/events/leadership_day/](http://www.acponline.org/advocacy/events/leadership_day/) Members who are interested in attending should contact Dixie Swan, Executive Director ([Dswan@azmed.org](mailto:Dswan@azmed.org)). A limited number of stipends are available to help members attend.

**ACP's High Value Care Website!!**

ACP is pleased to announce the launch of a new High Value Care website [http://hvc.acponline.org/](http://hvc.acponline.org/) that centralizes resources and information about the High Value Care initiative. ACP is committed to helping physicians provide the best possible care to their patients while simultaneously reducing unnecessary health care costs. Explore the new site to learn more about the High Value Care initiative, and how it can help you and your patients pursue care together to improve health, avoid harms and reduce wasteful practices.

**Expansion of Physician Affiliate Membership**

ACP has expanded its Affiliate membership category and will now accept applications from physicians living in the US who do not meet the requirements for full membership in the College. ACP’s domestic Physician Affiliate membership benefits are consistent with those available to full members of the College. Check this site: [www.acponline.org/join](http://www.acponline.org/join) for more information.

**Non-Physician Affiliate Members**

Non-Physician Affiliate membership is available to licensed non-physician health care professionals working on a patient-care team led by an MD, DO, or a physician holding an internationally equivalent degree and who maintain their professional credentials to practice. Eligible professionals include: physician assistants, nurse practitioners and other advanced practice nurses, registered nurses, pharmacists and doctors of
ACP invites you to an On-Line Discussion Group

There are opportunities galore for interaction and connection on-line through an ACP Discussion Group. Check out this exciting new, members-only, virtual community platform: ACP Special Interest Groups. You are encouraged to get connected via this rich platform and to join as many groups as you would like!

Another Amazing Opportunity!!

Consider Attending:

**Basics of Medical Malpractice and Minimizing Risk of Lawsuits**

By Jaan Sidorov, MD, MHSA

Sidorov Health Solutions

Chair NORCAL Mutual Insurance/PMSLIC

Wednesday April 3, 2013 at 6:30pm CT

Click here to register for free: [https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/702628310](https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/702628310)

ACP Programs You Should Know About...

* Recruit a Resident - [http://www.acponline.org/residents_fellows/competitions/recruit_a_resident/](http://www.acponline.org/residents_fellows/competitions/recruit_a_resident/)

* Recruit a Colleague - [http://www.acponline.org/membership/recruit/](http://www.acponline.org/membership/recruit/)

* Arizona Job Board - [http://www.acponline.org/career_connection/](http://www.acponline.org/career_connection/)

This link will take you to the National ACP job board where you can enter either AZ for the state and/or SW region.

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