Good Afternoon
I am reprinting the text of an announcement sent to Chapter Governors earlier today.
I think that there is definite opportunity within the Chapter to compete for a number of these awards. I am quite happy to support or initiate any of these activities and would like to hear from the membership about this. Please contact me if you feel that there is a deserving individual within the Chapter.

Regards

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2013 Call for Nominations: Masterships and Awards

Do you have a mentor, chief resident, colleague, or peer deserving recognition? A person who challenges you to work at your highest level and constantly inspires those around him or her? The Awards Committee of the American College of Physicians invites your assistance in recognizing the accomplishments of distinguished individuals and organizations through the College's awards and Masterships program. The College offers 20 awards and a number of Masterships to recognize outstanding contributions in the practice of medicine, teaching, research, public service, leadership, and medical volunteerism.

Step 1: Visit www.acponline.org/awards to review the various awards ACP offers to recognize accomplishments in leadership, teaching, volunteerism and service, advocacy, medical humanities, and contributions to ACP.

Step 2: Identify a qualified nominee (see website for exclusions).

Step 3: Collect support letters from four others who feel strongly about your nominee. With few exceptions, almost anyone* can write nomination and support letters, even a patient.

Step 4: Submit your nomination letter, four supporting letters, a brief biographical sketch of the nominee and the nominee’s curriculum vitae by July 1 at www.acponline.org/nominations.

What happens next?

January - July
ACP staff receives and processes awards and Mastership nomination materials.

July-August
ACP staff forwards all completed nominations to the Awards Committee to review.
**September**  
The Awards Committee meets to review and discuss each nominee’s qualifications and strengths with respect to the criteria established for the specific award. Those candidates selected by the Committee for College awards and Masterships are presented to the Board of Regents for approval.

**October - November**  
ACP staff invites ACP Governors to contact winners in their chapters to share the good news. Once all winners have formally accepted their awards and Masterships, announcements are made on ACP Online, *Internist Weekly*, and via the Governors Information Center, Regents Information Center, and Chapter Leader Network. Email notification is sent to all who wrote nomination and support letters with the list of winners.

**December-February**  
ACP staff obtains information from those receiving national awards and Masterships to be published in the Convocation Program.

**April**  
New Masters and national award winners receive their awards at the Convocation Ceremony held during ACP’s annual Internal Medicine meeting.

Nominations are now invited for the 2013-2014 awards cycle, which will end with the bestowing of awards and Masterships during the Convocation ceremony at Internal Medicine 2014 in Orlando, Florida. Please contact Meghann Williams, Administrator, Awards Program at awards@acponline.org with any questions.