

Press Briefing Schedule

All briefings will be held in room 105A of the Pennsylvania Convention Center

Thursday, April 23, 2009

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
**(Press Briefing
and Luncheon)**

ACP COPD Portal

(Embargoed for release until 2:00 p.m.)

Jeffrey P. Harris, MD, FACP, President, ACP, and Steven Weinberger, MD, FACP, Senior Vice President, Medical Education and Publishing, ACP The American College of Physicians will announce the ACP COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease) Portal (<http://copd.acponline.org>). The Web site provides concise answers to specific clinical and practice-management questions for internists, other health care professionals, and patients and their families. COPD -- typically a result of smoking -- is a serious disease involving the airways and lung tissue that over time makes it difficult to breathe. It is the fourth leading cause of death in the United States. More than 12 million people are currently diagnosed with COPD and an additional 12 million likely have the disease and don't even know it.

Friday, April 24, 2009

10:30 - 11:15 a.m.
(Press Briefing)

Topic to be announced.

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
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and Luncheon)**

Solutions to the Challenges Facing Primary Care Medicine: Comprehensive Strategies from the American College of Physicians

Jeffrey P. Harris, MD, FACP, President, ACP; Joseph W. Stubbs, MD, FACP, President-elect, ACP; J. Fred Ralston, Jr., MD, FACP, President-elect-designate, ACP; and Robert B. Doherty, Senior Vice President of Governmental Affairs and Public Policy, ACP.

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