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Dear Internal Medicine Colleagues,

2026 has arrived, and as the Holidays draw to a close I find myself looking once again at the calendar ahead. We all have so many competing priorities, and choices must be made. A former mentor once reminded me that "if you want the time to do something you must *make* it. You will never just *have* it..."

Many of us have by now made the time to attend the ACP National Meeting, being held this spring in San Francisco CA, **April 16-18**. The scope and sophistication of these annual meetings must really be experienced to be fully understood and appreciated. If you have not already done so, I encourage you to review the preliminary schedule for the Scientific Sessions (<https://annualmeeting.acponline.org/educational-program/scientific-program/scientific-sessions>), as well as the pre-meeting courses (April 14-15) and the Clinical Skills Programs. Early Bird Registration is in effect until **Jan 31**, so now is a good time to finalize the plan.

As an alternative to in-person attendance in San Francisco, you can consider registering for the **Virtual Meeting** program. This curriculum provides over 100 hours of livestream access to the sessions, in addition to interactive Q&A, and real-time audience polling. This is an excellent quality option for those who value the education and CME, without having to travel:

<https://annualmeeting.acponline.org/registration/internal-medicine-meeting-rates>.

Many of our members have continued to express reservations about traveling to the USA in the current political climate. Such concerns are certainly justified by the ongoing rhetoric of the US federal government, and the negative actions being implemented across the country that make the headlines every day. As a counter to all the chaos, it is worth remembering that the ACP is still one of the "good guys" in the debate, arguing energetically for a robust health care system that includes public health, academic research, and civil rights. This year as the challenges mount, it seems ever more important that we as Canadians support the voice and mission of the ACP. Your participation in the meetings, and your voice at the town halls and other networking events, is crucial to helping ACP continue its leadership role for our profession.

As an extra reminder, the BC Chapter continues to share in the Washington State Joint Webinar series – the next program is **today** (Jan 15) at 4:30pm Pacific Time. Registration is free and is still available here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/L1vIHdSQDuaLbk0MfXfmg#/registration>.

With best wishes and appreciation for all that you do to make our communities healthier and stronger.



Scott McKee

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Additional Resources

Help Us Grow!

Help us grow our membership – please reach out to your colleagues and encourage them to be part of this internal medicine community!

Membership is *free* for students. Residents, only \$39 USD. There is a vast array of [benefits](#) for all membership categories, and we encourage you to be ACP champions in your centre! As well, I encourage you to volunteer on one of our many committees – email me directly at mckeemd@telus.net

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Save the Date!

ACP Internal Medicine Meeting 2026

Date: April 16-14th, 2026

Location: The Moscone Center

Where: San Francisco, California, USA

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about IMM

British Columbia and Prairie Provinces Chapters Annual Meeting and Rocky Mountain IM Conference

Date: November 12th -13th, 2026

Location: The Malcolm Hotel

Where: Canmore, AB

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