

## Shine a Light on Excellence! Nominate an Outstanding Colorado ACP Member!

Dear ACP Colorado Chapter Member,

The ACP Colorado Chapter is now accepting nominations for our prestigious 2026 Chapter Awards. The awards are listed below with descriptions on the following page as well as a link to past awardees.

1. ACP Colorado Chapter Laureate Award
2. ACP Colorado Volunteerism/Community Service Award
3. ACP Colorado Early Career Physician Award
4. ACP Colorado Joel S. Levine, MD, MACP Distinguished Healthcare Advocate
5. ACP Colorado Robert B. Gibbons, MD, MACP Distinguished Medical Educator
6. ACP Colorado Chapter Award for Excellence in Rural Health Care

These six awards will be presented at the 2026 ACP Colorado Chapter Annual Scientific Meeting, February 6-7, 2026, at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs. The awardees may be nominated by any member of our Colorado Chapter. The Awards Committee is strongly interested in improving the diversity of nominees and is relying on our Colorado Chapter members from across the state to nominate excellent, deserving physicians whom they know and/or work closely with. Award recipients should accept the recognition in person unless excused by our Chapter Governor.

Nominations for each award *must* include:

1. The nominee's curriculum vitae (Maximum of 5 pages) Limit CV to the points that relate to the award.
2. One Nomination Letter on letterhead. (Up to 1000 words)
  - See the nomination form for more information on the nomination letter.

**The deadline for nominations is October 19, 2025.** Please use [this nomination form](#) to nominate your colleague and upload all materials. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact [Colleen Keeku](#). Thank you for your contribution in recognizing excellent Colorado Chapter physicians.

With gratitude,

Jennifer Ziouras, MD FACP, Chair  
ACP Colorado Chapter Awards Committee

Please see below for the award descriptions and requirements. The link to view a list of past winners is: [Past Award Winners](#)

#### **ACP Colorado Chapter Laureate Award**

The Laureate Award honors Fellows and Masters of the American College of Physicians Colorado Chapter who have demonstrated, by their example and conduct, an abiding commitment to excellence in medical care, education, or research and service to their community, their chapter, and the American College of Physicians. The recipient of this award shall bear the title of Laureate of the Colorado Chapter.

#### **ACP Colorado Volunteerism/Community Service Award**

The Colorado Chapter of the American College of Physicians Volunteerism and Community Service Award honors members who volunteer exceptional time and energy to improve the health and welfare of their community or of the world at large. Activities might include work in community-based clinics, health education, health advocacy, and sponsorship initiatives for underrepresented physicians or patients.

#### **ACP Colorado Early Career Physician Award**

This award honors an early-career physician in internal medicine who is within 16 years of graduating medical school. The physician must be highly respected by colleagues for outstanding clinical skills and for being a role model in the community. The nominee should have distinguished service to patients, the physician community, and the community at large. The nominee should be an educator to patients or the community. Ideally, the physician would be an ACP member at the time of nomination; if not, the physician must become a member in order to receive the award.

#### **ACP Colorado Joel S. Levine, MD, MACP Distinguished Healthcare Advocate**

This award honors a Member, Fellow, or Master of the American College of Physicians Colorado Chapter who has demonstrated a steady and strong commitment to promote equitable access to safe, high quality healthcare for all members of the public along with a devotion to build a better future for medicine.

#### **ACP Colorado Robert B. Gibbons, MD, MACP Distinguished Medical Educator**

This award honors a Member, Fellow, or Master of the American College of Physicians Colorado Chapter who has demonstrated an enduring commitment to outstanding teaching and mentorship of students, residents, fellows, or colleagues as evidenced by a sustained commitment to medical education, professionalism, and excellence in the practice of medicine.

#### **ACP Colorado Chapter Award for Excellence in Rural Health Care**

This award honors members of the American College of Physicians Colorado Chapter who excel in the practice and teaching of internal medicine outside a major metropolitan area, particularly those working in settings with limited access to advanced medical technology and specialty care.