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## FROM THE GOVERNOR

I am deeply humbled and honored to begin my term as Governor of the Division of Education and Membership of the Florida Chapter, American College of Physicians. It will be more than a challenge to follow the leadership of our immediate past Governor John G. Langdon, MD FACP, as well as, the accomplishments and excellence by President and Sr. Governor Jason M. Goldman, MD FACP. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Dr. Goldman, recipient of the Richard Neubauer Advocate for Internal Medicine Award for 2018. Dr. Goldman received the award on May 22, 2018 in Washington, DC during the ACP Leadership Day program.

I would like to thank my colleague Jeff House, DO FACP, who accepted my request to Chair Scientific Program. He has taken the task of organizing the chapters' Fiftieth Annual Scientific Meeting scheduled for September 7-9, 2018, at the Grand Hyatt on Tampa Bay. This year's program "*Fostering Wellness in the Practice of Internal Medicine*" will include lectures by professors and practitioners on a variety of stimulating topics which are timely and relevant to the practice of internal medicine.

We are indebted to the Florida Osteopathic Medicine Association and to its President Joshua D Lenchus, DO RPh FACP FHM for agreeing to present new course on the responsible prescribing of controlled substances which will satisfy the new two-hour state mandated CME requirement.

Finally, I would like to congratulate the Florida Chapter "Fellows" who marched in the 2018 Convocation ceremony and the newest "Masters" of the American College of Physicians. They are Jennifer C. Thompson, MD MACP, Michael A. Zimmer, MD MACP, and Steven H. Yale, MD MACP. Also, congratulations to Cecil B. Wilson, MD MACP who was the recipient of Alfred Stengel Memorial Award for Outstanding Service to the American College Physicians. These physicians are distinguished by their excellence and meritorious contributions to the field of medicine.

We invite you to join us for the Chapter's Scientific Meeting in September where you will have the opportunity to learn, enjoy networking with colleagues, and, hopefully have some fun.



## FROM THE PRESIDENT



*Jason M. Goldman, MD FACP*

The role of President and Governor of the Florida Chapter is one that I take very seriously and strive to always put the needs of the organization and the membership at the forefront of every decision that I make. This role has afforded me the opportunity to represent you on a national level at the Board of Governors. The amount of talented accomplished individuals from across the country is impressive and I am proud to say that the Florida Chapter is one of those chapters that exemplifies the excellence that the American College of Physicians expects. The amount of resources and programs that our provided to our membership truly stand out and show the great dedication of our excellent staff.

The legislative program this year was quite intense as the Legislature was very active with a number of bills that impact the practice of medicine. The direct primary care bill finally passed after many years and this allows physicians to directly contract with their patients for ongoing medical services. The chapter was intimately involved with creating a bill that would finally allow for transparency of the pharmacy benefit managers. These organizations originally created to curtail pharmacy costs has led to a nebulous system with unclear benefits to the health care system. The initial legislation will allow for transparency and regulation. The Chapter will continue to monitor this issue and adjust as required to fight for doctor and patient rights. The opioid crisis was at the forefront of the Legislature and the chapter was advocating for common sense laws that would both impact the epidemic and ensure physicians could practice appropriately. It is almost assured that this will be a topic of discussion in the next legislative session. While the Legislature does not always agree with the doctors, the Chapter will continue to advocate on behalf of all Internists in order to both educate the lawmakers and ensure fair representation of our issues.

The upcoming year promises to be just as challenging as we face midterm elections with a number of opportunities to gain more friends in the Legislature. As always, I encourage our membership to truly embrace the virtue of civic involvement and develop connections with their state lawmakers so they can be aware of how their decisions affect our patients and the practice of medicine. Many avenues exist for involvement and I am happy to discuss this with any of our membership.

I am so proud to serve as your President and I know the remaining years of my term will be both challenging and rewarding with numerous opportunities to improve and advance the chapter. As always, I believe in open lines of communication and am always available for discussion and innovation. I hope that you will reach out to your nonmember colleagues and ask them to join the organization. I would also ask that you bring to my attention any members that you feel would be deserving of advancement to fellowship or award of mastership. We have such talented individuals in the State of Florida and I hope to recognize all those who deserve such commendation. I encourage all the membership to serve on our various committees, submit ideas for resolutions for our national board of governors meetings and participate as delegates to our state medical organization, the Florida Medical Association. It is truly said that alone we go faster but together we go further.

## AMA ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE



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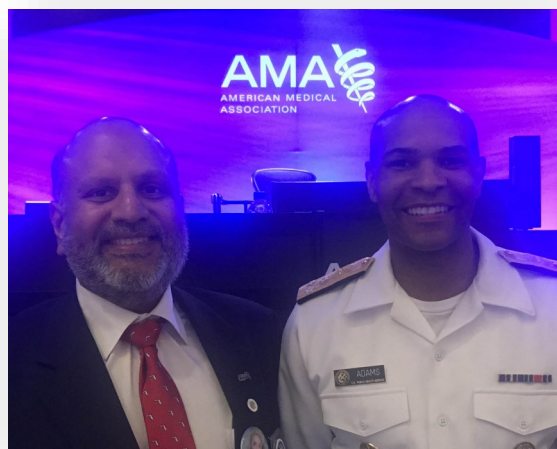
The Florida Medical Association was present at the Annual 2018 American Medical Association meeting in Chicago in June. Florida has 14 votes in the House of Delegates, tied for the 4<sup>th</sup> largest state delegation with Pennsylvania, after California, Texas, and New York. Yours truly, an alternate delegate, also attended the caucus meeting of the American College of Physicians which now has the largest number of votes in the House of any specialty at 23. FMA President-Elect, Corey Howard, also an ACP member, served as Delegation Chair for Florida and announced his candidacy for Vice Speaker of the AMA House of Delegates at Annual 2019. Other delegate/alternate-delegate internists from Florida included Andrew Cooke and Michael Zimmer past ACP FL Governor. Barbara McAneny, a New Mexico oncologist was inaugurated President and Patrice Harris, a Georgia psychiatrist, the first African-American, female President-Elect.

This year was a record year for the number of resolutions. In total, across 8 reference committees, there were 39 Board of Trustees reports, 25 Council reports, and 199 resolutions. Some of the most contentious were around gun control legislation with 10 resolutions. None were defeated having passed or referred to the Board for study. Other contentious topics included insurance coverage and immigration. A resolution to relieve the backlog of green card applications for H1B-visa holders passed. Of importance to the ACP was a late resolution in response to the administration's action to separate children from families at the border if they illegally entered. The argument for the resolution was childhood psychological trauma. It was sponsored by the ACP, AAP, and ACOG. The resolution passed.

One of the most contentious issues, however, was an action by the Board of Trustees. The State of Texas, joined by 20 other states including Florida, is suing the U.S. Government, HHS, and IRS (US District Court, North Texas Division in Fort Worth, Case 4:18-cv-00167-O, filed 2/26/18) arguing that the ACA is unconstitutional after Trump signed the tax bill in December 2017 eliminating the ACA's tax penalty. The AMA, along with the ACP, American Academy of Family Physicians, American Academy of Pediatrics, and American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, filed an amicus brief in District Court supporting the ACA, specifically its popular provisions that would be eliminated if the plaintiffs won. However, the bipartisan view is that the states will lose, including at the Supreme Court. The AMA never previously filed an amicus brief in a lower court. Furthermore, it could pit state medical associations against state governments. Despite delegation concerns, the Board, proceeded with the amicus brief.

Finally, a wonderful, young physician, is running for a state House seat in western Iowa, Megan Srinivas. Iowa is losing on ARNP scope of practice issues. This is one of her primary campaign issues. Her challenger, a nurse, promises to expand ARNP scope to independent practice. As a Florida issue also, we should monitor activity in other states and support like-minded physician candidates. Please consider supporting her at [MeganForIowa2018.com](http://MeganForIowa2018.com).

The next AMA House of Delegates meeting will be in National Harbor, MD in November. Yours truly will once again serve as Alternate Delegate representing Florida's physicians as one of the few internists.



Dr. Bansal and Surgeon General  
Jerome M. Adams, MD MPH

## NEW OPIATE CONTROL BILL—HB 21

### HOW TO COMPLY

**AS OF JULY 1, 2018:**

**MANDATORY 2 HOUR CME:** Every Florida physician who has a DEA license must take a two-hour course, approved by the Board of Medicine, on responsible prescribing of controlled substances. This course must be taken by **January 31, 2019** and every biennium thereafter.

**MANDATORY CHECKING OF THE PDMP:** Physicians must check the PDMP before prescribing ANY controlled substance (not just opiates) other than a Schedule V non-opiate.

If the PDMP is non-operational, the physician must document AND limit any prescription to three days.

#### **OPIATE PRESCRIPTION LIMITS:**

3 days of Schedule II opiates for Acute Pain (caused by injury, illness, or surgery).

May be increased to 7 days if physician documents AND writes on prescription “Acute Pain Exception.”

14 days of Schedule III opiates.

Exceptions:

Palliative Care

Cancer-Related Pain

Terminal Conditions

Traumatic Injuries with an Injury Severity Score of at least 9 (e.g., broken femur).

Prescriptions for Non-Acute Pain must include a notation

“Non-Acute Pain” in order to receive more than the seven-day allowance.

***The Florida Chapter ACP is happy to announce the course will be offered during its’ Annual Scientific Meeting scheduled for September 7-9, 2018 at the Grand Hyatt on Tampa Bay.***

***(This course is provided courtesy of the Florida Osteopathic Medical Association and has been approved by both the Board of Medicine and Board of Osteopathic Medicine).***

## Register Now for the FL Chapter ACP 2018 Annual Scientific Meeting

September 7—9, 2018  
Grand Hyatt on Tampa Bay

**Convenient Online Registration is available at:**

<https://store.acponline.org/ebizatpro/ProductsServices/ACPEventsCalendar/MeetingRegistration.aspx?productId=199655510>

**Early Bird Registration Rates End July 24**

**Please make your room reservations at:**

<https://book.passkey.com/go/FLChapterACP2018>

or by calling 402-593-5078

FL Chapter ACP Room Rate: \$129 S/D

**Room Rate Cutoff Date: August 17, 2018**



## INVITATION TO ACP MEMBERS IN FLORIDA



Jeffrey House, DO FACP  
Scientific Chair, Florida ACP

These are very dynamic times in medicine and as what almost seems routine; the state of Florida is right in the middle of it all. Whether it be scientific advances in medicine, growth of training programs, legislative changes to our practice, or factors that affect physician resilience and well-being, today's medicine is evolving rapidly.

Florida continues to grow in terms of medical school and residency education. This community now has an impressive 9 medical schools and over 30 internal medicine residencies. Such rapid growth is exciting but has the potential risk of compromising the quality of education. However, where there are challenges, there are also opportunities. This is an exciting time for many physicians who have been waiting for the chance to make an impact on a young student or resident. This state is also fortunate to have a number of energetic leaders who are capable of meeting the demands of developing new residencies, as well as proficient directors who can advance established programs. Medical education is truly vibrant within our state, and Florida internal medicine physicians are in a wonderful environment if they wish to mentor young clinicians.

At the same time, physicians face growing challenges such as time constraints, increasing administrative duties, and navigating electronic health records. There are increasing external and internal pressures to improve the quality of patient care, education and research performances of health professionals. Resident physicians are also under increasing pressures, and although their duty hours are restricted, they are burdened with more requirements and duties in a compressed period. These mounting pressures and responsibilities may lead to physician burnout and threaten their resilience in practice. The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education has recognized the significance of physician wellness and made this a focus within resident education. The postgraduate clinician, both teaching faculty and practicing physicians, will also need to appreciate the gravity of this issue and look toward making it a priority.

Finally, the medical perspective for treating patient pain has also evolved. Medicine has moved beyond "pain is a vital sign". Palliative care medicine has grown dramatically in the inpatient and outpatient setting over the past 10 years, as has the access to pain management specialists. However, at the same time we still face an opioid crisis of epidemic proportions. Much of the responsibility of addressing this issue will fall upon physicians. Legislative changes to opioid prescription writing are coming soon, and with this comes new regulatory requirements.

These are just some of the issues that today's physician will benefit from learning more about. The question is finding a source to address much of these subjects. For that, we have an answer.

We cordially invite you to join us for the FL Chapter's 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting, which will be held on September 7-9. This year there will be expert faculty giving updates on several internal medicine topics including *hospital medicine, primary care, cardiology, endocrinology, pulmonary, hematology/oncology, gastroenterology, as well as scientific lectures on integrative medicine, urology, and antibiotic stewardship*. We will address important areas such as *pain management* and *wellness* for the practicing physician, as well as a look back on medicine in Florida over the last 50 years. **This year's conference will be particularly special in that we will be able to offer the new state mandated controlled substance prescribing CME course, thanks to the generosity of the Florida Osteopathic Medical Association.**

As with previous meetings, we will welcome students, residents, faculty and practicing physicians from across the state and even outside of Florida. Resident research will again be on display, including projects in Quality Improvement and Patient Safety. As always, the Doctors Dilemma Finals will complete the conference with the winners awarded an opportunity to compete on the national level. In addition to all of the valuable CME educational offerings, this meeting is an opportunity to network with long-time and new colleagues from around the state. So please come and join us this fall.



Florida  
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## 2018 Annual Scientific Meeting

# REGISTER NOW!



Grand Hyatt ~ Tampa Bay, Florida

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Now  
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Sept 7—9, 2018

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### 22 CME Hours & 22 MOC Points

Updates in Internal Medicine

FL Controlled Substance Prescribing Course \*2 Hr. State Mandated Course

Reduce Physician Burnout & Increase Patient Satisfaction

Achieve Wellness in Today's Chaotic Medical Environment

Insights on 50 years in the Art & Practice of Internal Medicine

7<sup>th</sup> Annual Humanism in Medicine Lecture

Advancement to Fellowship • Women's Mentoring

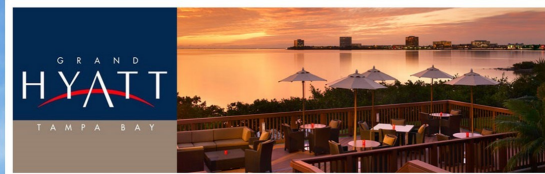
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Doctors Dilemma™ Finals Competition



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## EARLY CAREER PHYSICIANS



**Tulisa LaRocca, MD**  
Co-Chair  
Early Career Physicians

We are trained in Medicine to be conscientious, evidence based, and compassionate physicians. We have initiatives developed by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) with a Triple Aim: to provide better care for

individuals, improve population health, and decrease costs. What we are now recognizing, is the impact our healthcare system has on physicians themselves. I had the privilege to be selected and the opportunity to attend a training workshop in New Orleans during the ACP Internal Medicine Meeting this year as a Physician Wellness Champion on clinician burnout. The experience was exhilarating. I was enlightened on the current status of Physician Burnout and learned about the Quadruple

Aim launched by IHI: Care of the Physician. With suicide rates increasing among physicians, and the exodus from clinical Internal Medicine, as well as early retirement by clinicians, we are facing a shortage of trained medical providers to provide care for patients. Burnout is paramount to address as it affects all aspects of patient care, productivity, and longevity.

As the Co-chairman for ACP's Early Career Physicians, our initiatives have been providing more arenas to showcase academic work, collaborate with other national Women in Medicine groups to engage the large number of women in the physician workforce, and foster increasing physician involvement in legislative advocacy.

If you are interested in getting involved in Florida's Early Career Physicians Committee, please contact me at [floridachapteracp@comcast.net](mailto:floridachapteracp@comcast.net).

Hope to see you in Tampa for our ECP *"Strategies to Achieve Wellness in Today's Chaotic Medical Environment"* scheduled during ACP Florida 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting.

## SEEKING MEMBERS INTERESTED IN CHAPTER LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Are you a self-starter interested in developing educational opportunities, policy-setting at the state level, and collaborating with colleagues to address the professional needs of internists? Do you want more leadership experience to prepare you for future endeavors? Contact us to learn more and get involved!

Opportunities can range from one-time tasks to committee involvement or leadership roles and empower you to utilize your passion, expertise, and skills all while advancing the mission of ACP. I invite you to connect with our chapter. We are looking for interested, committed, passionate leaders who are willing to contribute towards a vibrant and diverse chapter serving the needs of our members. The process is easy!

- First, log into ACP Online to complete the chapter volunteer interest form. This will streamline the submission process by pre-populating your membership information.
- Second, complete the interest form.
- Third, we will follow-up with you directly within 2 weeks.

[Chapter Volunteer Interest Form](#)

# Congratulations



**Jonathan S. Appelbaum, MD FACP presents the  
FL ACP-FSUCOM Internal Medicine award  
to Arnold Abud**

## COUNCIL OF RESIDENT/FELLOW MEMBERS



**Julio Perez-Downes, DO**  
**Chair - Council of**  
**Resident/Fellow**  
**Members**

The ACP Council of Residents/Fellows and Medical Students section had yet another successful academic year. Our biannual meetings in West Palm Beach, FL (Scientific meeting) as well as Orlando, FL (Resident and Medical Student meeting) were a tremendous success, with a significant number of medical students and resident from across the state participating in the abstract/poster competitions. Furthermore, our medical jeopardy/doctor's dilemma once again fostered healthy competition among residents.

We will also like to announce that the new leadership for the position of the Chair of the Council of Medical Students, Residents and Fellow members will be filled by our colleagues from the University of Miami-Jackson Memorial Internal Medicine Residency Program: Dr. Zachary Liao and Dr. Tahir Haque. They have demonstrated leadership, commitment to our ACP chapter, and sincere interest in the leadership role. Please join me in congratulating them on their new leadership role.

We also want to take this opportunity to announce our upcoming chapter meeting in Tampa Bay, FL from September 7<sup>th</sup> through the 9<sup>th</sup>. On Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup> there will be a Resident & Medical Student program, poster competition and on Sunday morning there are a few great lectures followed by Doctors Dilemma final competition. We hope to see you there!

We would like to congratulate all of the graduating chief residents, residents and medical students of the class of 2018. We wish you success in your future endeavors, and hope that you will continue to remain involved with your local ACP chapter as you continue to advance in your career.

### ***Call for Nominations ACP Florida Council Resident/Fellow Medical Student Members***

The Council of Resident/Fellow Medical Student Members (FL CRMS) is recruiting leadership candidates for terms beginning July 2018.

Leadership candidates will serve as representatives of their respective Internal Medicine programs/internal medicine interest group in the Florida Chapter of the ACP. As part of the Council of Resident/Fellow members, you will be invited to:

Participate in the biannual council meetings- which take place during our fall and spring chapter meetings

Participate in health policy programs, such as the advocacy movement by the ACP. This involves traveling to Tallahassee as well as Washington, DC to meet with legislators to discuss current healthcare policy issues.

#### **➡ Responsibilities:**

Represent your respective Internal Medicine program/Internal medicine Interest group and promote the ACP in your institution by delivering a biannual presentation to your colleagues with information regarding the Florida ACP chapter updates.

Attend our biannual council meetings, which take place during our fall and spring conferences.

Encourage residents in your institution to become involved in scholastic activity by submitting abstracts for presentation to our biannual meetings.

#### **➡ Perks:**

Great resume builder: as it demonstrates leadership and initiative.

Chance to meet many of the Internal Medicine leaders across our state and country.

Chance to make an impact in your residency program/medical school by encouraging academic/scholarship activities.

Chance to impact healthcare policy which affects the way we practice medicine

#### **➡ Requirements:**

Submit your CV, along with a statement discussing your interest in participating as representative of your IM program/ Medical School in the Florida Chapter of the ACP

Letter of recommendation from a faculty member in your institution speaking of your interest and qualifications to serve as representative of your program

You must be an ACP member in good academic standing in order to qualify.

Qualified candidates will serve in their leadership roles for a minimum term length of 1 year.

Email your curriculum vitae and leadership statement to [floridachapteracp@comcast.net](mailto:floridachapteracp@comcast.net)

Letter of recommendation from faculty members must be emailed by the faculty author to [floridachapteracp@comcast.net](mailto:floridachapteracp@comcast.net)

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone in the Florida Chapter of the ACP for your continued support and involvement in the advancement of the careers of medical students and residents. It has been a pleasure serving as the Chair of the council of residents from 2016-2018, and I look forward to continued involvement in our ACP chapter's mission and vision. Thank you to all the fellow council members, faculty and ACP leaders who make our section of the chapter possible. We look forward to continued success and an outstanding 2018-2019 academic year!



# Congratulations to New Florida Masters



## **Steven H. Yale, MD MACP**

Dr. Yale is Professor of Medicine at the University of Central Florida College of Medicine and was the Internal Medicine Residency Program Director at the University of Central Florida/HCA Consortium and Program Director of the General Internal Medicine Fellowship at the Marshfield Clinic. He was the Director of Clinical Research at Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation where he led a department of over 40 personnel in designing a “Center of Research Excellence.” Before his time in Florida, he was one of the lead founders of the Wisconsin Network for Health Research, a collaborative research network involving four academic institutions in Wisconsin. Within the Institute for Clinical and Translation Research at the University of Wisconsin, Dr. Yale served on the KL2 Scholar Committee and was the Marshfield Clinic representative for the Research and Education Committee and Clinical Translational Research Core. Within the ACP Wisconsin Chapter he served as Treasurer, Chair of the Scientific Program Committee, Award Selection Committee, and Council member and was awarded the ACP Young Investigator Award. In the Society of General Internal Medicine, he served on the Midwest Leadership Board and National Communication Committee and currently is Deputy Editor of Journal of General Internal Medicine. Dr. Yale has over 100 publications, two book chapters, and multiple research grants. He has received numerous teaching awards and the prestigious Wisconsin Medical Entrepreneurship Foundation Innovation Scholar Award. Throughout his career, he has trained and mentored many medical students, residents, and fellows.



## **Michael A. Zimmer, MD MACP**

Dr. Zimmer is a highly awarded and widely recognized general internal medicine physician practicing as a solo practitioner in St. Petersburg, Florida since 1996. He has been a highly active member of the ACP Florida Chapter, earning him designation as a Key Contact and Internist of the Year. He served as Governor of the ACP Florida Chapter from 2010 to 2014 and was elected to represent his Board of Governors (BOG) class on the BOG Executive Committee. During his tenure as Governor, the Florida Chapter was very active in proposing many important resolutions and winning multiple Evergreen Awards. He served as a member of the Medical Practice and Quality Committee, to which he was appointed as Vice Chair during his tenure on that committee. He is a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at the University of South Florida College of Medicine and holds several important leadership positions in his community.

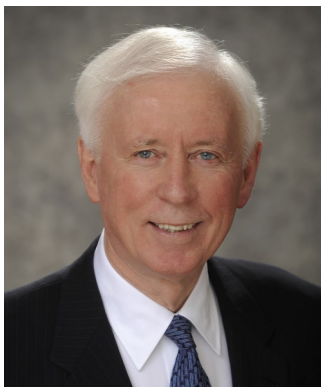
# Congratulations to New Florida Masters



## **Jennifer C. Thompson, MD MACP**

Dr. Thompson is an infectious diseases specialist who currently serves as the Associate Chief of Staff for Education at the Orlando Veterans Affairs Health Care System in Orlando, Florida. In this role, she oversees all medical and dental education in the facility, including continuing medical education. She has overseen the inception of several new training programs and is working to establish and promote a culture of academic excellence in the newly founded organization. Dr. Thompson came to Orlando with a track record of strong leadership and excellence in graduate medical education after a 21-year career on active duty in the United States Army. She has been a loyal and active member of the Army Chapter of the ACP, serving in key positions such as Acting Governor, Treasurer, and Chair of the Membership Committee. She has also actively participated in several other professional organizations, including the Infectious Diseases Society of America, where she previously served on the Education Committee and currently serves on the Finance Committee. She is a former member of the Residency Review Committee—Internal Medicine of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), and the Education Committee of the Alliance for Academic Internal Medicine (AAIM). She currently serves on a Test Material Development Committee of the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME).

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ACP AWARDEE FOR THE ALFRED STENGEL MEMORIAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS**



## **Cecil B. Wilson, MD MACP**

Dr. Wilson is a graduate of Emory University College and the Emory University School of Medicine. He received his training in internal medicine at the US Naval Hospital San Diego and served in the Navy as a flight surgeon, rising to the rank of Commander. He subsequently practiced internal medicine in Winter Park, Florida. Dr. Wilson was a member of the Board of the American Society of Internal Medicine (ASIM) and a member of the successful merger committee of ACP-ASIM. He was the first chair of the new organizations' Medical Services Committee, Chair of the Parliamentary Authority Task Force, and subsequently Chair of the Board of Regents of ACP. He received a Mastership from ACP and the Laureate Award and Charles Donegan Award from the ACP Florida Chapter. Dr. Wilson was the 165th President of the American Medical Association (AMA). He was a member of the AMA House of Delegates, served on the AMA's board, and was Chair of the AMA's Board of Trustees. Dr. Wilson was President of the World Medical Association and advisor to the United States Delegation to the World Health Assembly at the World Health Organization (WHO) in Geneva. At the local level he was President of the Orange County Medical Society and the medical staffs of Winter Park

Memorial Hospital and Florida Hospital Medical Center Orlando. At the state level Dr. Wilson was President of the Florida Medical Association and Chair of its Board of Governors. He received recognition from Emory University, including the Emory University School of Medicine Arnold Patz Lifetime Achievement Award and Emory's highest award, the Emory Medal Award. His service as member of the COLA Board of Directors was recognized with the Perry A. Lambird Memorial Excellence in Medicine Award.

# Congratulations

The Florida Chapter Congratulates the  
following new Fellows who  
participated in the 2018 Convocation Ceremony

Jose R Abando, MD FACP  
Darmaan O Aden, MD FACP  
Ralph A Atkinson, MD FACP  
Stuart Bagatell, MD FACP  
Vicki Viveros Britton, MD FACP  
Ayham Chamseddin, MD FACP  
Anita Ekambaram, MBBS FACP  
Paul A Gaeta, MD FACP  
Manuel Garcia-Estrada, MD FACP

Hans K Ghayee, DO FACP  
Elizabeth J Haynes, MD FACP  
Paul Jimenez, MD FACP  
Guillermo Izquierdo Pretel, MD FACP  
Fred M Kaplan, MD FACP  
Dinesh Keerty, MBBS FACP  
Alfea M Lacierda, MD FACP  
Wei-Chi Liao, MD FACP  
Benjamin Mena, MD FACP  
Edward Mezerhane, MD FACP

Ayorinde Ogunbameru, MD FACP  
Joseph A Oibo, MD FACP  
Elizabeth A Ripkey, MD FACP  
Stephen G Ritter, MD FACP  
Hector Fabio Rivera, MD FACP  
Paresh D Savani, MD FACP  
Less K Shrestha, MD FACP  
Junaid Syed, MD FACP  
Maykel R Trotter, MD FACP





# 2018 CALL FOR AWARDS

## FLORIDA CHAPTER AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS

### OUTSTANDING MEMBER AWARDS

One of the goals of the Florida Chapter American College of Physicians is to “recognize excellence and distinguished contributions to internal medicine.” As a way of achieving this goal, the Chapter offers the following awards. If you know a Florida ACP member deserving of recognition, please consider submitting a nomination for one of the Chapter Awards.

**Regional Positions on the Governors’ Advisory Council:** If you are interested in serving on a committee and/or the Governor’s Advisory Council, email your curriculum vitae to the Florida Chapter at [floridachapteracp@comcast.net](mailto:floridachapteracp@comcast.net) by July 12, 2018. Active members in good standing may be eligible to serve as region representative in the upcoming election cycle. Please note election to the Council is for a three-year term, although, no member may serve in the same capacity as a Council member for more than two full terms.

#### **Florida Chapter Laureate Award:**

Laureate Award is the most prestigious award given by the Chapter. It honors Fellows or Masters of ACP who have demonstrated by their example and conduct an abiding commitment to excellence in medical care, education, or research, and in service to their community, and their chapter of the American College of Physicians. A candidate must be long-standing and loyal supporter of the College who have rendered distinguished service to the Florida Chapter and have upheld the high ideals and professional standards for which the College is known. A candidate must be a Fellow or Master of the College for at least ten to fifteen years. The Laureate winner presentation is scheduled during the Florida Chapter Annual Award Reception.

#### **Florida Chapter Internist of the Year:**

A physician who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and dedication to the clinical practice of internal medicine.

#### **Florida Chapter Outstanding Teacher of the Year:**

A physician who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and dedication to medical education.

#### **Florida Chapter Community-Based Teacher:**

A physician who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and who has contributed to the education of medical students, residents, and fellows as an office-based internist.

#### **Florida Chapter Volunteerism Award:**

A physician, who has distinguished themselves in voluntary service in the area of medicine like a commitment to continuing education, which is an established tradition for internists and the College. The College considers volunteerism so important that it is a major criterion for advancing to Fellowship. Recognize a colleague who actively participates in community service and volunteerism.

Nominees for Chapter Awards must be active members of the Florida Chapter, American College of Physicians. All submissions must include candidate’s curriculum vitae, a detailed statement of the activities for which he or she is being nominated, and any other pertinent information. **Nominations for Chapter Awards due on or before July 23, 2018.**

Florida Chapter awardees will be notified and must be present to be recognized and receive their award. The Awards Reception will be held the evening of Saturday, September 8, 2018, we hope you can make plans to attend and network with your colleagues at the Florida Chapter’s Annual Scientific Meeting September 7-9, 2018 at the Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay.

For questions and/or more information, please contact Dawn Moerings in the Chapter office at (904) 355-0800 or email [floridachapteracp@comcast.net](mailto:floridachapteracp@comcast.net).

Thank you for your commitment and service to internal medicine.

Jason M. Goldman, MD FACP, President/ACP Governor FL  
Manning H. Hanline, Jr MD FACP, ACP Governor FL





## WHY SPEND THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ON YOUR HIPAA COMPLIANCE TRAINING?



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