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## Governor's Message

Jason M. Goldman, MD FACP, Governor

I have never been more proud of the Florida Chapter of the American College of Physicians as I was when we held our Annual Meeting at Ocean Reef Club last month. The meeting was a great success and very well received by the attendees. This meeting could not have been possible without the efforts of the scientific committee, led by the hard work and dedication of Dr. Jennifer Caceres and Dr. Naresh Pathak.

Not only did we have educational and informative lectures by well-respected and renowned speakers but also excellent presentation by our residents and medical students which culminated with the Doctors Dilemma competition. This was also the first meeting of any ACP chapter to offer both CME and MOC credit to our membership. The poster and oral presentations were of a terrific caliber and exemplified the best of our medical education system. I truly appreciate those members who assisted in the judging of the oral and poster competition as we could not have succeeded without your help.

As 2017 approaches, please consider serving as a judge at the Annual Residents & Medical Students Meeting in the spring and the Annual Scientific Meeting in the fall. We look forward to your attendance and participation in the Chapter's educational offerings.

I remain, as always, at your service.



FL Chapter Governors;  
John G. Langdon, MD FACP,  
President and  
Jason M. Goldman MD FACP;  
present a vase to  
Michelle L. Rossi, MD FACP,  
thanking her for four years  
of exemplary leadership  
and service as Governor for  
the Florida Chapter.

# FL Chapter ACP 2016 Annual Scientific Meeting

September 9—11, 2016 ~ Ocean Reef Club ~ Key Largo, Florida

## Abstract Competition



### Resident/Fellow Oral Presentation First Place

Syed R. Sabzwari, MD  
Florida Hospital Orlando



## Doctors' Dilemma© Competition

### 2016 Champions

*University of South Florida*

Team Members:

Ju Hee Kim, MD

Tara Saco, MD

Martin Guerrero, MD



The FL Chapter will be sponsoring the USF Doctors' Dilemma team, and Abstract Competition winner, Dr. Syed Sabzwari as they represent the chapter at Internal Medicine 2017 in San Diego, CA.

# Resident/Fellow Poster Competition

## Research Division

*First Place*



**Zoltan Varga, MD PhD**  
Florida Hospital Orlando

## Clinical Vignette Division

*First Place*



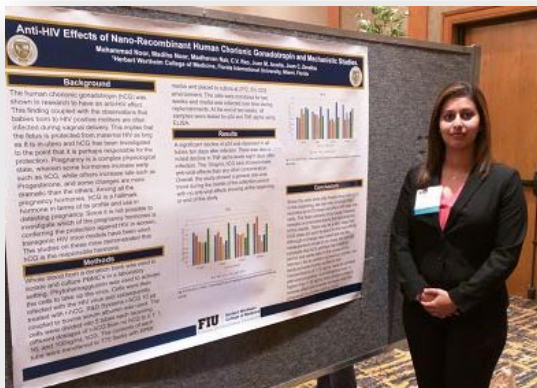
**Calvin Tsogmo MD**  
Brandon Regional Hospital



# Medical Student Poster Competition

## Research Division

*First Place*



**Madiha Noor, MS IV**  
Florida International University

## Clinical Vignette Division

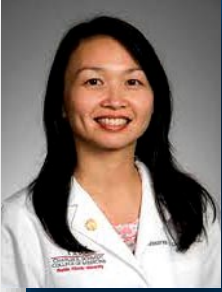
*First Place*



**Elizabeth Kay Pace, MS IV**  
University of Florida



# 2016 Annual Meeting Highlights



Special Thanks

to

Jennifer W. Caceres, MD FACP  
and

Naresh H. Pathak, MD FACP  
2016 Scientific Program Chairs  
and the Program Committee  
for their contributions  
to a very successful  
Annual Scientific Meeting!

2016 Annual Scientific Meeting  
Program Committee Members:

Ankush Bansal, MD FACP  
Jason M Goldman, MD FACP  
Farzanna S. Haffizulla, MD FACP  
Stuart B. Himmelstein, MD FACP  
Himangi Kaushal, MD FACP  
John Rubin, MD FACP

## SAVE THE DATE

*FL Chapter 2017  
Annual Scientific  
Meeting*

*September 8 - 10, 2017  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL*

*Watch for more  
information in future  
Newsletters and on the  
FL Chapter website.*



Program Director Panel at the Residents Breakout Session



Judging the Poster Competition



Fellowship Mentoring Breakfast



Women In Medicine Networking Breakfast

# 2016 Annual Scientific Meeting Sponsors & Exhibitors

The Florida Chapter American College of Physicians  
would like to express appreciation to the following companies  
for their support of the 2016 Scientific Meeting:

## SPONSORS



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*Thank you*

## EXHIBITORS

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# Florida Chapter 2016 Awards

## 2016 Laureate Award

### **YANK D. COBLE, MD FACP**

Laureate Award winners are long-standing and loyal supporters of the College who have rendered distinguished service to their chapters and community and have upheld the high ideals and the professional standards for which the College is known. The Senior Florida physician has demonstrated through his or her example and conduct, a commitment to excellence in medical care, education, or research and service to their community and ACP.



## 2016 Chapter Excellence Award



Congratulations to the Florida Chapter for receiving the 2016 Chapter Excellence Award! The award recognizes chapters which successfully meet the standards for managing a chapter. In order to achieve the Chapter Excellence Award, chapters must meet all basic criteria and seven optional criteria. Criteria include such activities as formulating an effective Governor's Council and committees, communicating frequently with membership, providing educational opportunities, recruiting and advancing members and celebrating membership through local awards. Special thanks is extended to those chapter members who assisted in all of these endeavors! For their hard work and dedication, we received this award.



## Internist of the Year



Ankush K. Bansal, MD FACP

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

## Outstanding Teacher of the Year



Cuc Mai, MD FACP

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

# *Congratulations!*

## Volunteerism and Community Service Award



Benjamin Mena, MD

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.

## Community Based Teacher of the Year



Karen Echeverria-Beltran, MD FACP

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.

# ACP Adult Immunization Champion Award

The American College of Physicians and Florida ACP Chapter are happy to announce Cynthia Miller, MD FACP as Florida's 2016 recipient of the ACP Adult Immunization Champion Award as part of the I Raise the Rates initiative. The award recognizes the exemplary actions of physicians and health care team member leaders who are leading the effort to increase rates of adult immunizations in the state of Florida. I Raise the Rates is a state-based program designed to help physicians and their teams efficiently and effectively promote adult immunizations for their patients, while addressing the various barriers they face. Dr. Miller is being honored for her strong efforts to increase adult immunization rates, using a team-based approach, in her practice at the Bay Care Medical Group. In addition to leading efforts within her own practice, Dr. Miller has also engaged members of the faith community nursing group, providing them with clinical updates on adult vaccine recommendations and demonstrating strategies for communicating with and educating patients. Congratulations, Dr. Miller!



**Cynthia Miller, MD FACP**

## Member Benefit: Medical Assistant Credentialing Course

**Your Medical Assistant must now be credentialed before entering prescription information into electronic medical record systems in order to qualify for Stage 2 Meaningful Use.**

This course, presented by Christopher L. Nuland, Esq and sponsored by the American College of Physicians, Florida Chapter, is designed to teach medical assistants the legal parameters of the profession under Florida law, as well as to provide an overview of Florida prescribing laws. The ultimate goal is to enable the attendee to safely and efficiently enter prescription information into electronic medical records. This credential is good for two years.

Cost: **\$50** - for Medical Assistants whose employers **are** Florida Chapter ACP Members  
**\$175** - for Medical Assistants whose employers **are not** Florida Chapter ACP members

Contact the FL Chapter Office at [flacp@comcast.net](mailto:flacp@comcast.net) or 904-355-0800 for registration information.





The Florida Chapter is pleased to  
welcome 214 new members.  
We hope to see you at  
upcoming meetings!

## UPCOMING NEWS

Watch for upcoming Newsletters on these and other topics:

- ◆ Spring Residents & Medical Students Annual Meeting
  - ◆ Health Policy/Advocacy
  - ◆ Medical Student Workshop
    - ◆ Resident's Corner
    - ◆ Call for Abstracts
    - ◆ Practice Pearls



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