



Florida Chapter

Governor's Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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FL Chapter ACP President/Governor*

Leadership Day was held virtually this year May 25 and 26. Members who participated were able to present ACP positions to United States Congressional Representatives and Senators or their staff and to hear the position of lawmakers. Priorities of the Florida chapter delegation included expanding access and affordability of health care, supporting the value of primary care internal medicine, and payment parity for telehealth visits.

I would like to thank those who gave their time to this effort, which, by all reports, was a great success. Dr. Aftab Ahmad, Orange Park; Dr. Ahmad Almusa, Resident at AdventHealth Orlando; Dr. Ankush Bansal, Governor-Elect FL Chapter, West Palm Beach; Dr. George Everett, Governor FL Chapter, Orlando; Dr. Jason Goldman, ACP Regent, Coral Springs; Dr. Alexander Ibanez, Resident at UCF Orlando; Dr. Alexandra Lackey, Resident at AdventHealth Orlando; Dr. Caroline Lee, Resident at USF Tampa; Dr. Subhashree Nayak, Resident at Jackson Miami; Dr. Francisco Ujueta, Resident at Mt. Sinai Miami Beach; Dawn Moerings, Executive Director,

Mr. Chris Nuland, General Counsel and myself.

The Florida Medical Association Annual Meeting and House of Delegates Meeting will be held July 30 – August 1, 2021, at the Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek Resort. Our Chapter will send a delegation to advocate for ACP positions where necessary. I believe there are still some delegate slots open, so please contact our Executive Director, Dawn Moerings, if you are interested in serving.

If you are not already a member of Advocates for Internal Medicine (AIMn), I strongly encourage you to join. The AIMn program is for ACP members interested in participating in federal advocacy. It is designed to help members engage with their federal lawmakers on policy issues important to ACP and internal medicine. **Please sign up here:** [Advocates for Internal Medicine Network](#)

It was two decades ago that Dr. F. Norman Vickers, Gastroenterologist and editor of our Chapter newsletter, approached me in the doctors' parking lot next to the hospital and asked if I were interested in running for regional representative on the Advisory Council. Surprisingly, I was elected. At that time, the majority of hospital admissions were made by independent general internists, delinquent paper charts to be signed were kept on a shelf in the medical records department, and a call to the hospital often meant finding a phone booth at the side of the street. But times were good, hard work was rewarded, and I bought a ticket on the private practice train.

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President's Message continued

However, Dr. Vickers has since retired, I no longer admit patients to the hospital, and the hospital itself next to our parking lot is moving from its mixed neighborhood to a new facility which is being constructed near the interstate highway and a small college. No general internists admit to the hospital anymore. The new train which the new physicians are riding has hospitalists, employed physicians in all specialties, electronic records, telemedicine, and sometimes a cell phone in the right and left pockets. It is exceptional for the tenure of a physician to last longer than a few years. But times are good, work is rewarded in a different manner, and it seems that the ride will never come to an end.

But you can't stop change. Imagine, for example, that the train we are riding now reaches the last station, and the next train has primary care delivered by independent midlevel providers who practice only by telemedicine and who are equipped with computers and artificial intelligence. Medicine is practiced by protocols made by the government and insurance companies. The internist/physician might be redundant, like an automobile assembly worker at River Rouge.

I hope you will forgive my somewhat parochial ramblings. However, they are to make the point that it is an illusion to believe that our current situation will last forever. Change is not inevitably and invariably good. So activities like ACP Leadership Day and the FMA meeting and organizations like the ACP are necessary to help to keep us relevant at the levels where decisions are made.

I am not a cheer leader for organized medicine. But the forces around us can be overwhelming. As is often said, we must hang together or we will all hang separately. We should reason together to reach common goals rather than bicker. The foundation of our specialty, the physician-patient relationship, should be jealously guarded. We need to ask ourselves what kind of care we would want for ourselves or our families. We should want the future to be a time when someone might point and say proudly, "That's MY doctor."

The mission of our professional organization continues to be to support you in your daily work, to foster professional collegiality across our communities and state, and to advocate with a unified physician voice for our patients and our practice of medicine.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

CALL FOR MEMBER SPOTLIGHT NOMINATIONS

Do you know a FL Chapter ACP Member who deserves to be recognized? Nominations for the **Member Spotlight** in future publications are now being accepted. All Florida Chapter ACP members are eligible to be featured. Submissions should include a short article and photograph.

Please send to:

BAnderson@floridachapteracp.org or
DMoerings@floridachapteracp.org



CALL FOR ARTICLES

We are currently accepting submissions for our "Women in Medicine" series for future publications. Featured members may be medical students, residents or practicing physicians. Articles should include a photograph of the featured member.

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GOVERNORS MESSAGE



George D. Everett, MD MS MACP
Governor, FL Chapter ACP

THE AWAKENING

In the late 19th century, Kate Chopin wrote a novel called “The Awakening” which told the story of a young married woman who longed to escape the boundaries of her restricted life. The main character struggled to reconcile her desire to escape the expectations of family and society. The

novel ends tragically with the suicide of the main character when she failed to fashion a breakthrough to social freedom.

Fast forward to the world we have been living in the last 18 months, which is now beginning to awaken. We have witnessed immense tragedy, villains, heroes, and breakthroughs. As we emerge from under the rock that has weighed on us, preparations for a new world order in medical sciences and clinical care have begun. Here are four “Awakenings” we might expect and the role that internists and the ACP can play in shaping the changes.

The first awakening is the need for, and the value of, public health. Usually just an afterthought, public health has begun to emerge from the cocoon that had enveloped it for decades. Consigned to a focus on uninspiring diseases like TB and seasonal influenza, public health infrastructure had withered. The emergence of a new worldwide pandemic pressed public health structures beyond their limits just as it had 40 years earlier with the emergence of HIV. We will need to build a new public health infrastructure in the years ahead with an emphasis on a new generation of the most brilliant scientists in the world leading the way. Dr. Fauci can’t live forever, unfortunately.

The second awakening is the discussion we have been having about disparities in healthcare. While the ACP as an organization of physicians has taken leadership in the scientific study of healthcare disparities, there is much to be done to effect the needed changes. Physicians, and internists in particular, can take pride in the fact that our medical school graduates include more women than men and nearly as many non-whites as Caucasians. However, Blacks, Native Americans, and Hispanics still lag in medical school representation. Health outcomes among low-income Americans are

decidedly below expectations despite improvements in recent decades. Minority populations are skeptical of the intentions of the medical community in general. To wit, the ACP has a strong pipeline of information and proposals that, if enacted by government and industry, will move the needle forward in health disparities.

The third awakening is that education will find a way to succeed despite all odds. Could you have imagined that in a few months our nation’s entire education system, including medical education, pivoted to new forms of learning? Some of the lessons included both the value and the limits of virtual technologies for education and clinical care. Nevertheless, education prevailed despite some caveats, and has forever changed. The ACP will soon release the 19th edition of MKSAP, the greatest educational program in the history of medicine. It will be released in virtual as well as traditional format. Don’t delay in getting your edition. I’m hoping that ACP will create supplements to each of the specialty sections of MKSAP that will be helpful to our subspecialty colleagues and entice them back to ACP membership. Please join me in encouraging that idea to the ACP national leaders.

The final awakening is to the fact that scientific breakthroughs have leapfrogged over nearly all previously established norms of safe product development. The creation, testing and dissemination of multiple Covid-19 vaccines in less than 12 months was the culmination of science being propelled at a pace not seen since the Apollo space project. New technologies in vaccine science emerged from multiple pharmaceutical companies, spurred by assurances of government backing. A new model of government-industrial cooperation for the betterment of the entire world has been displayed.

Thanks for all you have done as physicians and leaders in your communities during the last 18 months. Help to awaken your communities with new efforts to invigorate public health, improve health disparities, advance the education of patients, physicians and leaders, and support the ACP in efforts to develop effective medical-governmental collaboration for scientific advancement.

George Everett MD MS MACP
Governor, Florida Chapter ACP
Academic Chair, Internal Medicine Residency and
Campus Dean, Loma Linda University College of Medicine
at AdventHealth Orlando

2021 LEGISLATIVE SESSION WRAP-UP



In what was undoubtedly the most challenging Session ever for both legislators and lobbyists, whose interactions were minimized by Covid protocols, we did emerge with several notable victories and some “near-misses” that we will engage in next year.

One of our biggest victories was the passage of a Covid Liability Relief Bill, which was signed into law by Governor Desantis. This legislation provides liability protection to physicians who acted in good faith to protect their staff and patients from Covid during the Pandemic and rewards those practitioners who tried to do the right thing.

As always, Scope of Practice issues dominated the discussion. Fortunately, APRN efforts at expanding their scope of practice to include specialty care were thwarted, as were attempts by Optometrists to perform invasive procedures. Likewise, Physician Assistants were thwarted in their attempt to obtain autonomous primary care, although their supervision ratios were reduced to 10 PAs per physician IF the

IMPORTANT NEWS

Controlled Substance Telehealth Prescribing Rules Re-Enacted

When Governor Desantis opted not to renew the State of Emergency Declaration this past weekend, he allowed to expire special rules that allowed for the prescribing of controlled substances to existing patients through telehealth. Members are reminded that, effective immediately, controlled substances may only be prescribed through an in-person examination, with the only exceptions being hospice/nursing home and psychiatric patients.

In the coming days, it is also very likely that President Biden will end the National Emergency, at which time special Stark and HIPAA exemptions also will come to an end. Again, members are reminded that the federal government will soon resume enforcement of these laws and should govern themselves accordingly.

Should members have questions, they may contact Chapter General Counsel Chris Nuland at nulandlaw@aol.com. Thank you.

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ACP Governor/FL President

physician approves; it should be noted that the limits on the number of locations at which a physician may supervise physician assistants remains unchanged.

Another victory to emerge in the final week is the Opioid Informational Pamphlet. Many of our members have been frustrated by the need to provide patients with a paper pamphlet when prescribing opioids of any kind; under the new law, this information may be provided electronically, thereby eliminating one more administrative task for the physician.

Another victory was the repeal of the notorious “Pelvic Examination” law passed in 2020. Under the new law, which has been signed by Governor DeSantis, the definition of “pelvic examinations” has been limited to an internal physical examination of a female's sexual organs and should eliminate the need for an additional consent form for many physicians.

Unfortunately, not all of our efforts were successful. Our initiative to protect titles historically reserved for physicians passed the House, passed two of its necessary three committees in the Senate, but was unable to clear its final committee. We will redouble our efforts next Session on this important issue. Likewise, our attempts to further regulate the conduct of Pharmacy Benefit Managers feel just short, as our bill passed the House but was not taken up by the full Senate.

Thank you all for your patience and support during this most unusual and challenging time. As always, it is a pleasure and honor to serve.

Christopher L. Nuland, Esq
Lobbyist & General Counsel





Florida Chapter American College of Physicians Outstanding Member Awards

Nominations for Awards due on or before August 6, 2021.

Nomination Requirements:

Nominees must be active members of the Florida Chapter, American College of Physicians. All submissions must include candidate's curriculum vitae, and a letter of nomination that includes a detailed statement of their activities for which he or she is being nominated, and any other pertinent information.

Florida Chapter will notify both the nominator and awardee following the Awards Committee meeting. This year's Awards Ceremony will be held live on October 30, 2021 at the Governor's Reception during the Chapter's Annual Scientific Meeting the weekend of October 29-31 at the TradeWinds Island Resort, St. Pete Beach.

For questions and/or more information, please contact Dawn Moerings in the Chapter office at (904) 355-0800 or by email DMoerings@floridachapteracp.org.

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 DMoerings@floridachapteracp.org by **August 2, 2021**. 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 will be announced 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 Early Career Physician Award:

A physician who is in practice for 16 years or less from medical school graduation, highly respected by his/her colleagues for outstanding clinical and leadership skills, and who has been a role model in the community. This individual should have distinguished themselves in service to patients, the physician community, and the community at large. The awardee should be an educator to patients and the overall medical community as well as an active member of ACP who has contributed meaningfully to the efforts of the chapter.

★ ***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 Outstanding Teacher of the Year:***

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

Florida Chapter Outstanding Contributions to Advancing the Careers of Women in Medicine:

The Florida Chapter American College of Physicians recognizes the accomplishments of an ACP Florida woman member for distinguished contributions to advancing the careers of women in medicine. This award recognizes an individual who has furthered the careers of women medical students, residents, and/or physicians through mentoring and leadership development for the career advancement of women.

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★ **The Tulisa LaRocca, MD**

Wellness Champion Award

The *Tulisa LaRocca, MD Wellness Champion Award* recognizes an individual or a program whose focus on wellbeing and/or wellness efforts is innovative and extraordinary. Individuals may be recognized for his/her own training, achievements and dissemination of wellness concepts. These activities may be at a local, regional or other level. Individuals who participate in Chapter initiatives will be given special consideration, but those who have participated in national efforts are eligible and encouraged to share activities locally. Institutions may be recognized for their efforts towards developing programs that enrich the personal and professional lives of physicians and trainees. Institutions may also be recognized by submitting their blueprints for wellness programs and agree that dissemination of such programs is permitted and will serve our professional community while acknowledging the institution's pioneering efforts. The 2020 Inaugural award honored Dr. LaRocca life and was presented to her family.

★ **Florida Chapter Service Award:**

In Recognition of Meritorious Service to our State & the Medical Profession.

★ **Charles K. Donegan Memorial Award:**

In Recognition for Distinguished Community Service.

★ **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.

★ **Florida Chapter Key Contact Award:**

A physician who has made exceptional efforts in support of the Chapter's state and federal advocacy programs throughout the past year.

★ **Florida Chapter Resident Award - Gary F. Izzo Memorial Scholarship Award:**

Established by the Florida Chapter ACP in memory of Gary F. Izzo; FPIC Vice President of Marketing and a personal friend to many Florida Chapter members; who devoted his life to improving the medical profession. The award is presented to a resident who, despite all the other pressures of being a resident, advocates to improve the practice of internal medicine.

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Welcome

The Florida Chapter welcomes the following new members:

NAME	CITY	NAME	CITY
Stephanie Y Talton, MD	WESLEY CHAPEL	Mario Mayes-Romero	BOYNTON BEACH
Michael A Mao, MD	JACKSONVILLE	Raymond Steele, DO	NOKOMIS
Bassem F Philip, MBBS	BRADENTON	Fanny Gonzalez	WINTER GARDEN
Brian Garnet, MD	DAVIE	Victor Cruz, MD	TAMPA
Ignacio C China, MD	MIAMI	Veronica Romanow, DO	JACKSONVILLE
Alberto Manzor, MD	MIRAMAR	Timothy Hembree, DO	TAMPA
Yerania Rodriguez Navedo, MD	LAKELAND	Juan Sequeira Gross, MD	FORT MYERS
Shahul H Riazudeen, MD	SUN CITY CENTER	Matthew Woodham	NICEVILLE
Abigail Rhea Bathen Lomarda, MD	CORAL SPRINGS	Myriam Edwards-Miller, MD	OCALA
Rahul Gujarathi, MBBS	JACKSONVILLE	Giselle A Racho, MD	WINTER GARDEN
Rajaneesh Pachala, MBBS	ORMOND BEACH	Stefanie Colavito, MD	DAVIE
Hemantkumar R Raval, MD	TAMPA	Ward Myers, MD	PINECREST
Vinilkumar Badri, MD	OVIDO	Eduardo J Lazaro, MD	BRADENTON
Maria I Prieto, MD	DORAL	Neerja Agrawal, MD	WESTON
Kambiz S Kadkhodayan, MD	ORLANDO	Milan Janmeja, MD	ORLANDO
Linette Hubbell	TALLAHASSEE	Alejandro A Novelo, MD	HOLLYWOOD
Leigh-Ann Lucina Shelley Bartholomew	MIAMI	Lourdes Lagonowicz, MD	PINECREST
Surendra D Mahadevia, MD	TAMPA	Juan a Lacson, MD	AVON PARK
Claus Spies	ROCKLEDGE	Kaitlin Moran, MD	JACKSONVILLE
Juan C Salgado, MD	FORT MYERS	Salwa Rhazouani, MD	DAVIE
Karen A Green, MD	FORT MYERS	YOUNG CHANG, MD	TAMPA
Carlos J Cebollero, MD	TALLAHASSEE	Naziha Slimani, MD	OVIDO
Sean M McFadden, DO	ST PETERSBURG	Vinay M Wayal, MD	PENSACOLA
Gent Bitincka, MD	PENSACOLA	Frederico C Beserra, MD	CORAL SPRINGS
Paul Hoffman	HUDSON	Ryan D Poling, MD	PONTE VEDRA
Dung D Nguyen, DO	ORLANDO	Christopher S Reid, MD	NICEVILLE
Timothy J Selway, MD	BROOKSVILLE	Talha Shamim, MD	KISSIMMEE
Amir Asaseh, MD	COCONUT CREEK	Frank J Lukens, MD	PONTE VEDRA BEACH
Alexandra M Ristow, MD	TAMPA	Madelaine Vilme, MD	BOCA RATON
Amanda Berg, MD	CORAL SPRINGS	Gayathri Morrareddy, MD	TAMPA
Gianinna Folgarait, MD	FORT MYERS	Joyce M Cortes, MD	LONGWOOD
Dana Harris, MD	PONTE VEDRA	Kaitlin Moran, MD	JACKSONVILLE BEACH
Mircea Sorin, MD	GAINESVILLE	Liuber Carballar Alberteries, MD	TAMPA
la Luna	ORLANDO	Hetavi Mahida, MD	JACKSONVILLE
Jacinta Elder, MD	ST PETERSBURG	Lisette Pola, DO	LAKE WORTH
Rachel Pyngolil, MD	COOPER CITY		

Save the Date!



Florida
Chapter

2021 ANNUAL
SCIENTIFIC MEETING

OCTOBER 29—31, 2021



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

- Internal Medicine & Subspecialty Lectures
- State Mandated Courses:
 - Prevention of Medical Errors & Domestic Violence
- Resident & Medical Students Program
- Residents & Medical Students Poster Competition
- Doctors Dilemma Competition

-REGISTRATION & HOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION COMING IN JULY-



Congratulations

2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student Winners



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student Clinical Vignette Winner



Nabeel Mirza

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

“DISSEMINATED PULMONARY MUCORMYCOSIS—IT’S NEVER THE “SPIDER BITE”!”



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student Clinical Vignette Winner



William Scola

UNIVERSITY MIAMI MILLER SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

“UNCONTROLLED INFECTION LEADING TO UNCHECKED IMMUNE RESPONSE: A CASE OF DISSEMINATED HISTOPLASMOSIS PRESENTING AS HEMOPHAGOCYTIC LYMPHOHISTIOCYTOSIS”



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student Clinical Vignette Winner



Coulter Small

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

“A CHALLENGING CASE OF COMMUNITY-ASSOCIATED CLOSTRIDIIDIES DIFFICILE INFECTION WITH TOXIC MEGACOLON IN A PREGNANT WOMAN”



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student Basic Research Winner



Michael Rohr

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

“IDENTIFICATION OF CLINICALLY RELEVANT COLORECTAL POLYP MOLECULAR SUBTYPES VIA INTEGRATIVE META-TRANSCRIPTOMICS”



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student Clinical Research Winner



Charles Riley

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

“THE EFFECTS OF MEDICARE PLAN TYPE ON COSTS AND OUTCOMES ASSOCIATED WITH COPD”



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student Clinical Research Winner



Gary Wong

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA MORSANI COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

“RECOGNIZING COLORECTAL CANCER PATIENTS AT HIGHEST RISK FOR MALNUTRITION: PROPOSAL OF A NOVEL NOMOGRAM FOR EARLY IDENTIFICATION AND INTERVENTION”

Congratulations

2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition

Medical Student Winners

Resident Winners



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student High Value Care Winner



Robert Monsour

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA MORSANI COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

"THE POWER OF MACHINE LEARNING AND PREDICTIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: PROGNOSTIC VALUE OF A MACHINE LEARNING-DEVELOPED TABULAR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE USING AORTIC ARCH CALCIFICATION FOR PREDICTING CARDIOVASCULAR OUTCOMES"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Quality Improvement-Patient Safety Winner



Bo Deng, MD PhD

ADVENTHEALTH ORLANDO

"ASSESSMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF DEPRESSION SCREENING RATES IN THE ADVENTHEALTH ORLANDO INTERNAL MEDICINE OUTPATIENT CLINIC WITH THE APPLICATION OF PATIENT HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRES"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student Quality Improvement-Patient Safety Winner



Alison Ohringer

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI MILLER SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

"IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON INFECTIOUS DISEASE FELLOWS IN THE UNITED STATES: A NATIONAL SURVEY TO IDENTIFY TARGETS OF INTERVENTION"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Quality Improvement-Patient Safety Winner



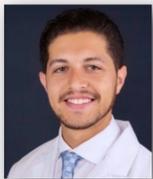
Kristin Price, MD

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY - TALLAHASSEE

"FALSE ALARM! DE-LABELING OUTPATIENT PENICILLIN ALLERGY"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Medical Student Quality Improvement-Patient Safety Winner



Justin Mark

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY DR. KIRAN C. PATEL ALLOPATHIC COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

"FACTOR V LEIDEN SCREENING IN REPRODUCTIVE AGE WOMEN: A NEED FOR SHARED DECISION MAKING"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Quality Improvement-Patient Safety Winner



Mindy Ward, DO

FL STATE UNIVERSITY - SARASOTA

"SARS-COV-2 INFECTION EVOKED HYPOALBUMINEMIA PREDICTS PROGRESSION TO CRITICAL ILLNESS IN PATIENTS WITH MILD TO SEVERE LIVER DISEASE: INDEXING TO INTENSITY OF HYPERINFLAMMATION IMPROVES PRECISION"

Congratulations

2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Winners



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Vignette Winner



Jennifer Rodriguez Belen, MD
HCA E FL GME - KENDALL REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

"AN UNUSUAL PRESENTATION OF SEPTO-OPTIC DYSPLASIA IN A YOUNG ADULT"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Vignette Winner



Matthew Bloom, MD
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

"EMPAGLIFLOZIN AND DIABETES - DR. JEKYLL OR MR. HYDE?"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Vignette Winner



Albert Bui, DO PharmD
MAYO CLINIC FLORIDA

"SPONTANEOUS SUBCUTANEOUS EMPHYSEMA AND PNEUMOMEDIASTINUM IN ASSOCIATION WITH SEVERE COVID-19 PNEUMONIA"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Vignette Winner

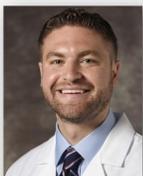


Samuel Foldy, DO
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA JACKSONVILLE

"RECURRENT CSFOMA: AN UNCOMMON CAUSE OF SMALL BOWEL OBSTRUCTION"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Vignette Winner



Sebastian Mikulic, DO
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA JACKSONVILLE

"EXOPHTHALMOS AND OVARIAN MASSES, AN UNUSUAL PRESENTATION OF AML"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Vignette Winner



Aakash Patel, MD
HCA/USF GME - CITRUS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

"AORTIC VALVULITIS POST-CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019"

Congratulations

2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Winners



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Vignette Winner



Gilda Portalatin, MD

CLEVELAND CLINIC FLORIDA

"KETOGENIC DIET SHAKE ASSOCIATED ACUTE INTERSTITIAL NEPHRITIS"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Vignette Winner



Goyal Umadat, MD

MAYO CLINIC FLORIDA

"MITRAL ANNULAR DISJUNCTION AS A CAUSE OF SUDDEN CARDIAC DEATH"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Vignette Winner



Nathaniel Wiest, MD PhD

MAYO CLINIC FLORIDA

"ACUTE PULMONARY EMBOLUS AFTER COVID-19 IMMUNIZATION: A NOVEL ADVERSE EFFECT OF A CUTTING EDGE VACCINE TECHNOLOGY?"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Basic Research Winner



Anum Akhlaq, MD

HCA/MERCER - ORANGE PARK MEDICAL CENTER

"ASSOCIATION OF IRON DEFICIENCY ANEMIA AND SYSTEMIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS: ANALYSIS OF NATIONAL INPATIENT SAMPLE, 2004-2014"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Basic Research Winner



Michael Slater, Jr, DO

NCH HEALTHCARE SYSTEM-NAPLES

"EARLIER DETECTION OF ATRIAL FIBRILLATION IN CRYPTOGENIC STROKES THROUGH APPLICATION OF ZIO PATCH CARDIAC MONITOR ON HOSPITAL DISCHARGE"



2021 Spring Virtual Poster Competition Resident Clinical Research Winner



Shreena Desai, DO

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI - JACKSON MEMORIAL

"A SINGLE CENTER EVALUATION OF ALLERGIC REACTIONS IN HEALTHCARE WORKERS AFTER THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE"

I Raise the Rates

A national campaign to increase adult and influenza immunization rates and promote healthy aging

ACP's Center for Quality has received funding from the CDC, GSK and Merck to support our *I Raise the Rates* initiative. The program aims to increase adult and influenza vaccination coverage among patients with high-risk chronic conditions and racial/ethnic minority adults by using quality improvement (QI) methodology. The 2020-21 flu season is of particular importance as we work to combat the **Twindemic of COVID-19 and influenza**.

Recruitment is now open!

Any internal medicine and subspecialty practices interested in participating in this exciting program are welcome to [Apply Now](#).

Benefits to participation include:

- Free registration to ACP's virtual QI leadership training (CME/MOC offered)
- Free access to **virtual coaching support from ACP Advance expert QI coaches**
- Free access to [ACP Advance QI Curriculum](#) and a suite of tailored educational resources for every member in your practice
- Opportunity to earn more than **54 CME/CE and ABIM MOC** credits for every participating physician
- Eligible to win ACP Quality Improvement Excellence award and be featured in an ACP publication

Practices will be asked to identify at least two program leads (physician and non-physician team member) to lead implementation of an immunization-focused QI initiative. Program leads will be asked to:

- Complete ACP Advance QI curriculum
- Complete the ACP Advance: *I Raise the Rates* Practice Assessment Survey (pre-and-post QI project)
- Attend ACP's virtual QI leadership training event on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 from 12-4 pm ET
- Participate in monthly coaching calls
- Report program outcomes to ACP

Onboarding will begin November 2020!

Opportunity is limited, applicants will be considered on a first come, first served basis. Click here to [Apply Now!](#)
For additional information, please contact Michele Duchin-Watson (mduchin@acponline.org).

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Facts About Influenza

2019-2020 flu burden (source: [CDC](#))

- **38 million** illnesses
- **400,000** hospitalizations
- **22,000** deaths

Risk of Flu in Adults with Chronic Conditions (source: [NFID](#))

- Adults with heart disease have **10X** increased risk of heart attack within 3 days of flu infection
- Adults with diabetes have **6X** increased risk of flu-related hospitalization

UPCOMING NEWS

Regional Positions on the Governors' Advisory Council

If you are interested in serving on a committee and/or the Governor's Advisory Council, please email your curriculum vitae and statement of interest to the Florida Chapter at DMoerings@floridachapteracp.org. Active members in good standing may be eligible to serve as a 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. Should you have any questions, please call the chapter office and/or send an email to our Executive Director Dawn Moerings.

Watch for upcoming news on these and other topics:

- ◆ Annual Scientific Meeting Information
- ◆ Call for Abstracts for October Poster Competition
- ◆ Resident & Medical Student Workshop
- ◆ Resident & Medical Students News
 - ◆ Chapter Member Benefits
 - ◆ Health Policy/Advocacy



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