Greetings Louisiana ACP Members!

As we welcome in Fall and cooler weather, I am grateful for a quieter hurricane season for our state, but know many other areas were not so fortunate.

I recently attended the ACP Board of Governors Fall meeting in Orlando and had the chance to learn more about advocacy, artificial intelligence in medicine and caring for those most vulnerable in our communities. It was both informative and inspiring!

I had the pleasure of leading our Governor’s Council meeting a few weeks ago – What a fantastic group of engaged Internal Medicine physicians helping to lead our chapter! Our discussions will lead to several new programming ideas, committee opportunities and networking events in the coming months – more to come soon…

I’d also like to highlight some incredible membership benefits that are part of being in the ACP:

- Learning Hub resources in Obesity Care as well as a comprehensive section on Substance Use disorders. (By the way, the Substance Use resources are FREE to ACP members, and contain enough CME credits to fulfill the MATE Act training requirements.)
- DynaMedex – ACP’s FREE point of care resource to help guide more efficient up to date care in clinical settings
- Wellness resources
- Billing and Coding resources (reduced cost for ACP members)
- Information on the different pathways to FACP
- And MANY MORE!

You will find links to all of these resources and more at the end of the newsletter. ACP also has recently launched their Member Connect App as a way to personalize your experience and networking within ACP.

So this Fall, I hope you all find value in being a continued member of the Louisiana Chapter of ACP. I hope ACP can be a source of wellness, continuing education, practice resources and networking for each of you. I hope we can find ways to engage each of you in the chapter, with long-standing traditions or new events and opportunities!

Get engaged, get involved, stay informed and STAY CONNECTED with ACP!

Best to you all,

Angie
2024 Resident and Student Meeting & Poster Competition

Saturday, January 27, 2024

Center for Advanced Learning and Simulation (CALS)
LSU - New Orleans

Registration is required.
The meeting is FREE and lunch is provided!

Meeting Registration

Schedule at a Glance

9:30am   Check in
10:00am  Oral Presentations – Students
11:00am  Oral Presentations – Residents
12:00n   Mystery Cases with Panel of Judges
1:00pm   Poster Session
2:10pm   Jeopardy
3:40pm   Awards
4:00pm   Adjourn
Planning is well underway for the 2024 Annual Scientific Meeting! The Planning Committee has lined up a robust scientific program which will include updates in Addiction Disorder, Cardiology, Oncology, GI, Hospital Medicine, Infectious Disease, Neurology, AI and Medicine and much more. The meeting will be all day on Friday and a half day on Saturday. Friday will include the annual Chapter Business Meeting and Awards Lunch and an evening Laureate Reception.

Watch your email inbox for the Registration link and Meeting Hub soon.

10 CME credits and MOC points
**Call for Nominations**

**Governor's Advisory Council**

Are you interested in becoming more involved with the Louisiana Chapter of the ACP?

We will have two open positions on our LA ACP Governor’s Advisory Council in March 2024. We are looking for interested members who want to take a more active role in shaping chapter activities, policy and programming. Terms on the Governor’s Council are for 3 years and involve attendance at council meetings, working on various subcommittees, and participating in chapter activities in a planning or leadership role.

**Council positions opening are those representing the Monroe/Ruston and New Orleans areas.**

If you are interested, please contact us via the LA ACP Chapter email, laacpchaptermeeting@gmail.com! Send us your name, a brief description of your medical practice environment and experience, as well as a brief paragraph about why you’d like to be involved with the LA ACP Governor’s Advisory Council by **December 1, 2023**.

**Laureate Award**

The Louisiana ACP Laureate Award is to be presented to a Master or Fellow of the Louisiana Chapter for distinguished achievement in the field of medicine in research, medical service, mentoring, teaching, and/or service to the Chapter. If you have a colleague you feel is deserving of this honor, please send the member's name and current CV to laacpchaptermeeting@gmail.com. **Deadline is December 1, 2023.**
Fall 2023 Resolutions

The Board of Governors discussed the fall slate of Resolutions during the recent September meeting. A summary of Board of Regents (BOR) actions on resolutions debated at the Fall 2023 Board of Governors (BOG) meeting will soon be available. The member comments added to the Resolutions survey are greatly appreciated. The feedback provided by you, the members, allows the Governor to speak on behalf of the Chapter and reflect the thoughts and opinions of the membership.

If you have an idea you’d like to suggest to ACP, consider submitting a resolution to Angie Johnson or the Louisiana ACP chapter. The ACP has a call for Resolutions twice each year for the Fall and Spring Board of Governors Meetings. The Board of Governors (BOG) Resolutions Process was instituted in 1985 as a means for the ACP membership to have formal input to the Board of Regents (BOR), the policymaking body of the College. A resolution reflects grassroots voice of ACP. A resolution is a proposal that asks the ACP to take a position and/or an action. Any ACP member can submit a resolution to his or her ACP Governor for consideration by the local chapter council. A resolution consists of at least one directive ("Resolved clause") accompanied by supporting statements ("Whereas clauses"). If you have a proposal, please review the Resolutions Guide and bring it to the Governor. The deadlines to submit a Resolution for consideration are typically in May for the Fall BOG meeting and December for the Spring BOG meeting.

Student Council

The Louisiana Chapter has an active Student Council and is currently seeking new members LSU Shreveport. If you are an interested medical student at LSU Shreveport, please submit a paragraph describing (1) why you are interested in serving the Chapter in this capacity and (2) a programming idea or two that you will bring to the Council to engage your fellow student members to laacpchaptermeeting@gmail.com.

The Council hosted “IM Match 2024: Application and Interview Tips from the Experts” on August 23rd. This webinar featured a panel of the Program Directors from across the state. There is a recording of this webinar, which will be available on the Chapter website (lachapter.acponline,come) soon.
Art in Medicine

Introducing the “Art in Medicine” exhibition and contest sponsored by the Early Career Physician Committee. We want to see your creative art work at the Annual Scientific Meeting! Students, Residents, and practicing physicians at all levels are invited to submit your best artistic work for this event.

Categories can include drawing/pencil/pastel work, paintings, sculpture/clay, and mixed media. We will display all entries on screens and computer laptops at the meeting, and members will have a chance to vote on their favorite entries! We will have prizes for the winners, and will have a e-pamphlet of entries on the Chapter website following the meeting. Come and show your creative side while we sharpen our scientific skills!

To submit, please email an electronic file (power point format is preferred) of your art piece to: lachaptermeeting@gmail.com.

Deadline for entry is Friday, February 9, 2024.
**Coming Soon!**

Louisiana ACP Chapter journal club/happy hour/zoom meetups! Event will be sponsored by the Early Career Physician Committee, but all trainees and practicing physicians are welcome to join us. We will review a paper, but if you can't read it ahead of time, no worries! We will supply all the important points of the paper, and mostly importantly, meet our ACP members across the state. Be on the lookout for future emails about these events!

**ACP Resources**

- **I.M. Emotional Support Hub**
- **Financial Well-being**
- **Telehealth Resources**
- **Integrating Behavioral and Mental Health into Primary Care**
- **Practice Resources**
- **Clinical Information Resources**

**Substance Use Disorder Education**

*Beginning on June 27, 2023, the DEA will require one-time attestation of training on management of substance use disorders (SUDs) prior to renewal of a DEA registration.*
Get Involved

Committees

Looking for ways to get involved? There are many places that your time and talents can be used in the Chapter! The Membership, Early Career Physician, Health and Public Policy, and Awards Committees, to name a few, are looking for new members to join. If you have a particular interest, contact Sarah Wardrop and get plugged into the Chapter!

Upcoming Dates

2024 Resident Student Meeting
   January 27, 2024

2024 Annual Scientific Meeting
   March 8-9, 2024

IM2024
   April 18-20, 2024
   Boston, MA

Stay Connected

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