

**Winter 2022**

**E- Newsletter**

## Governor's Message



Greetings Louisiana ACP Colleagues.

I hope the start of this new year finds you all well. I am full of hope as we begin 2022 for new beginnings, continued rebuilding, and strengthened relationships with our colleagues and patients. Please remember that ACP has many resources to assist you in daily practice.

I'm happy to announce 3 exciting meetings on the horizon- our State Chapter Meeting March 11-12, the National Scientific Meeting in Chicago April 28-30 and ACP's advocacy conference, Leadership Day, in Washington, DC May 17 -18. I hope to see many of you in person at our State Chapter Meeting in New Orleans on March 11th and 12th!

As always, please reach out with any ideas, concerns or suggestions that may help improve how our ACP Louisiana Chapter can work for you! Stay safe, stay hopeful and stay connected.

Angie

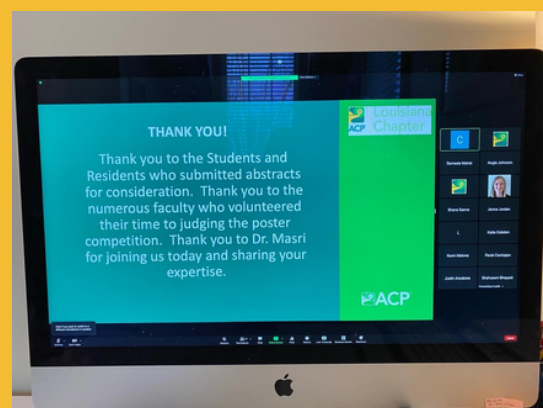
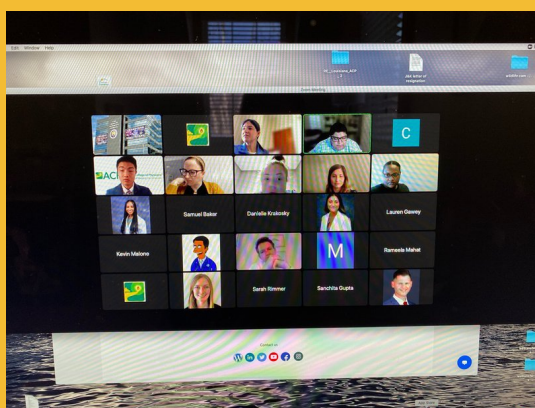
# 2022 Resident - Student Meeting

The Annual Resident Student Meeting was held on Saturday, January 22nd. The meeting was again virtual with over 120 registrants. The Call for Abstracts received 117 resident submissions and 62 student submissions. The number of resident submissions was in line with the average over the last few years. This year showed a tremendous jump in student submissions. During three one-hour sessions, 10 students and 24 residents participated in live poster competitions. Two resident submissions were chosen to be presented as live mystery cases, which were interactive sessions between the presenter and a panel of judges. The abstract submissions are available for viewing on the Chapter website ([lchapter.acponline.org](http://lchapter.acponline.org)) or by following these links: [Medical Student Abstract Booklet](#), [Resident Abstract Booklet Part 1](#) and [Resident Abstract Booklet Part 2\\*](#), as well as the [Winner Listing](#) of the winning abstracts from each session.

Congratulations to Graham Unis (2022 winner) and Jacob Dubuc (2021 winner) who each presented the winning mystery case during the respective year noted. Each are eligible to represent the Louisiana Chapter by participating in the national poster competition at the Internal Medicine Meeting 2022 in Chicago this April, and both plan to attend!

The Lunch Lecture for the meeting featured Dr. Najy Masri, who presented "[The ABC's of Physician Contracts](#)". Dr. Masri gave a thorough review of the details in contracts to be mindful of during all negotiations. The information was useful to early career physicians who do not yet have experience with contracts as well as seasoned physicians who have not negotiated in a few years. Dr. Masri's presentation is available to view through the Chapter website ([lchapter.acponline.org](http://lchapter.acponline.org)) and linked above.

\*The Resident Abstract Booklet is simply split to accomodate the size of the file. The abstracts appear in a random order.





# 2022 Annual Scientific Meeting

The Annual Scientific Meeting is less than a month away! The meeting is March 11 – 12 at the Louisiana Cancer Research Center (LCRC) in New Orleans. The Program Planning Committee has lined up a robust scientific program, which is outlined below.

Registration is open. This is an in-person meeting, but there will be a virtual option available for anyone who would prefer to join remotely. Once you are registered, there is a meeting hub available for reference which will also be available throughout the meeting!

Proof of vaccination or a (-) PCR test within 72 hours of the event is required to attend the meeting in person. Masks are required in all indoor spaces, a kn95 is recommended by the LCRC at this time.

Complimentary Parking will be available at St. Joseph Catholic Church located next to the LCRC at 1802 Tulane Ave. A donation box is present in the church parking lot.

## **MEETING AGENDA**

### **Friday, March 11**

8:00am *Advances in the Medical Treatment of Obesity*, Frank Greenway

9:00am *NASH Management and Treatment*, Martin Moehlen

10:00am BREAK

10:15am *Post Pandemic Long Haul Covid Management Panel*, Michele Longo, David Janz, Philip Denoux

12:00pm *Business Meeting & Awards Luncheon*

1:30pm BREAK

1:45pm *Addiction Medicine*, Jennifer Creedon

2:45pm *COPD: An Update on Inhaled Pharmacotherapy*, Brad Vincent

3:45pm *You are plenty resilient, and deserve a workplace that helps you weather the storms*, Eileen Barrett

4:45pm *Resident Jeopardy Competition*

### **Saturday, March 12**

8:00am *The Toxicities of Cancer Immunotherapy*, Vince Cataldo

9:00am *Formulary Construction and How it Contributes to Higher Prices*, Madelaine Feldman

10:00am BREAK

10:15am *A Pragmatic Approach to Preventing, Evaluating, and Managing Cognitive Decline and Dementia*, Demetrius Maraganore

11:30am *ACP and Physician Advocacy: Why and Why Now*, Shari Erickson



## Chapter Bylaws

As discussed in the Chapter Business Meeting, held during the March 2021 Annual Scientific Meeting, the Chapter Bylaws are undergoing a revision. The purpose of the revision is to update the language to reflect the current workings of the Chapter, including options for holding meetings and votes on a virtual platform, defining an additional seat on the Council for a Northshore representative, and adding a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion statement. A Bylaws Committee was formed just after the March meeting last year, and they have worked diligently to revise the current document. The Bylaws have undergone a legal review, as required by ACP, to ensure that the statements made within the document are compliant with Louisiana state laws. The ACP staff first review was completed in the Fall of 2021 and the requested changes were submitted in January 2022. The Bylaws revisions are being reviewed again by ACP staff, then will be sent onto the Board of Regents for final approval.

## Excellence in Internal Medicine Awards

Each year the Louisiana Chapter recognizes an outstanding student at each medical school that chooses to participate. In the Summer newsletter the spring winners, Michael Millet, Bradley Powers and Ashley Vellucci were recognized.

The University of Queensland Ochsner Clinical School presents this award at the Fall Culmination Ceremony. This year the ACP Excellence in Internal Medicine Award at The University of Queensland Ochsner Clinical School was given to Jaye Espinas. Congratulations Jaye! The Chapter wishes you the very best in the next steps of your career.



Jaye Espinas with Dr. G. Dodd Denton, MD, MPH, FACP

## Fall 2021 Resolutions



A summary of Board of Regents (BOR) actions on resolutions debated at the Fall 2021 Board of Governors (BOG) virtual meeting is now available. Resolutions initiated by ACP members and endorsed by a chapter council and the BOG become ACP policy when adopted by the BOR.

If you have an idea you'd like to suggest to ACP, consider submitting a resolution to the Governor's Advisory Council for consideration. Visit the ACP website for information on how to submit a resolution.



LSMS White Coat Wednesday  
Capital Building  
Baton Rouge, LA  
March 30, 2022



### IM 2022

The 2022 Internal Medicine Meeting is April 28-30, in Chicago, IL. Your Louisiana Chapter invites you to attend the Chapter Reception with the Arkansas, Alabama and Mississippi Chapters to be held during IM 2022 on Friday, April 29th at 7:00 pm at the Marriott Marquis Chicago.

The Chapter would like to take a moment to shine a spotlight on this year's Louisiana local members who are serving as meeting faculty in Chicago:

Fred A. Lopez, MD, MACP  
Update in Infectious Diseases  
Friday 4/29/2022 11:00am-12:00pm

Victoria E. Burke, MD  
Update in Infectious Diseases  
Friday 4/29/2022 11:00am-12:00pm

Fred A. Lopez, MD, MACP  
Clinical Pearls: Psychiatry and Infectious Diseases  
Saturday 4/30/2022 11:00am-12:00pm

To learn more about these sessions or register for ACP IM 2022:

<https://annualmeeting.acponline.org>  
#im2022 #masteringmedicinetogether



# LA ACP Student Council

The Chapter Student Council (SC) is charged with assisting the Governor and the Faculty Advisors in coordinating Medical Student Member activities such as the regional research competition, Medical Student newsletters, and specific programs for students. The SC may also provide a forum whereby the needs and concerns of medical students in the Chapter are brought forward to the Governor and Governor's Council. The SC functions as an advisory group and may perform specific tasks in conjunction with the Governor and other appropriate organizations of the College at the local and national levels. If you are a student member who is interested in joining the Council, please contact Sarah Wardrop at [laacp2015@outlook.com](mailto:laacp2015@outlook.com).

Our Chapter Faculty Advisors:

Catherine Hebert, MD  
LSU, New Orleans

Dr. Hebert is an Associate Professor of Medicine and Associate Program Director for the LSU Internal Medicine Residency Program in New Orleans. After finishing her residency and chief year at LSU New Orleans, she joined the faculty in the Section of General Medicine. Expanding her role in undergraduate medical education, she was named one of the Co-Directors of the Clinical Science Curriculum for Undergraduate Medical Education in 2017. Dr Hebert enjoys working with both residents and students. She feels that they challenge her to continue excelling in the field of education. She feels honored to have been asked to Co-direct the Louisiana Chapter Student Council. She hopes to recruit more students to ACP and in doing so, highlight the opportunities to practice Internal Medicine throughout the state.

Shahzeem Bhayani, MD  
LSU, Shreveport

Dr. Bhayani is an Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine at LSU Shreveport. He received his medical degree at Ziauddin Medical College in Pakistan and completed a residency in Internal Medicine at St Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital/NEOMED in Ohio before moving to Louisiana. At work, Dr. Bhayani finds joy in his many roles as a Clinician Educator, Associate Program Director, Course Director for the transition to residency program, Director of the didactic curriculum for the internal medicine residency program, Faculty Advisor for EQUAL LSU and Co-Chair of the internal medicine student interest group.

His clinical interests include caring for minority and underserved populations in the context of sociocultural determinants of health. He enjoys building community partnerships through volunteering and strongly believes health systems and providers must engage in community outreach to understand and break down barriers that lead to health inequities.

Outside of medicine, Dr. Bhayani is a lifelong public radio enthusiast, avid reader, armchair philosopher, thalassophile and travel buff who hopes to finish visiting all 50 US states and national parks one day.

# Webinar Collaboration

The Oregon and S California III Chapters have invited the Louisiana Chapter Members to join a Chronic Kidney Disease webinar on March 9.

Registration is required.

\*Note: Time is PST



**RACE AND KIDNEY  
FUNCTION:  
UNDERSTANDING  
HISTORICAL CONTEXT  
AND THE SCIENCE TO  
MOVE FORWARD**

**March 9, 2022 / “VIRTUAL” / 6:30pm – 8:00pm**

Join us for this evening session designed as a source of knowledge content surrounding the underpinning of the use of race in cornerstone medical calculation in use of creatinine clearance aka kidney function. Learn the implications of the use of race-based calculations on the health of minority populations and the current health disparities that exist with respect to diagnosis of CKD, dialysis initiation and kidney transplantation rates.

Audience will have opportunity for Q&A.

Target audience includes General and Subspecialty Internists, Hospitalists, Family Medicine, and other Health Care Professionals. Medical Students and Residents in-training are welcome!

**THIS EVENT CO-SPONSORED BY:**



Cascade State Medical Assoc-Oregon  
Golden State Medical Assoc-California



## Oregon Chapter ACP



Southern California  
Region III Chapter ACP

## REGISTRATION OPEN

**Register in advance for this meeting:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/9876543210>

*After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.*

**SPEAKERS AND MODERATORS INCLUDE:**

Daniel Carl, MD – Kaiser Permanente / Division of Nephrology – Vancouver, WA  
 Susanne Nicholas, MD, PhD – University of California / Division of Nephrology – Los Angeles, CA  
 Keith Norris, MD, PhD, FACP, FASN – University of California / Geffen School of Medicine – Los Angeles, CA  
 Neil Powe, MD, MPH, MBA, MACP – University of California - San Francisco, CA  
 Shehzad Rehman, MD – Oregon Health & Science University / Div of Nephrology - Portland, OR  
 Candace Sprott, MD, MBA, CPPS, FAAP, FACP – Southern California Permanente Medical Group-San Diego, CA

**PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO –** Understand historical context behind use of race-based calculations with respect to eGFR, including the scientific evidence for race-based eGFR calculations, and the use of race as proxy for perceived biological differences between ethnic groups; Learn implications of utilizing race-free creatinine clearance calculations on diagnosed CKD rates in ethnic populations; Understand key recommendations of the NKF-ASN Task Force final report, including practical challenges and opportunities implementing within academic and large community health systems and use of alternate race-based medical calculations.

**QUESTIONS:** Mary Olhausen, Executive Director / Oregon Chapter ACP  
Cell: 503-880-7383. [oregonacp@comcast.net](mailto:oregonacp@comcast.net) / [www.acponline.org/chapters](http://www.acponline.org/chapters) (Rev: 2-1-2022)

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# 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, Awards and Nominations 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

Louisiana Chapter Meeting  
March 10-12 2022

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New Orleans, LA

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March 30, 2022

IM 2022  
April 28-30, 2022  
Chicago, IL

Leadership Day  
May 17-18, 2022  
Washington, DC

## Stay Connected

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