

A Vibrant North Mississippi Medical Center Residency Program Visit

One of the tremendous joys I am having as your governor is visiting around the state to the various residency programs. The American College of Physicians understands the importance of hearing the needs of new physicians. My encounters at the training centers have been so positive. This past February, I had the pleasure of addressing the residents at North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo. It is inspiring to meet such talented, eager physicians. Thank you for the opportunity.

As you all know, our state needs good quality healthcare. The physician is the leader in the effort to providing care. ACP has continued to showcase its campaign that redefines the internal medicine doctor. Simply calling ourselves the internist tends to lessen the impact we as doctors provide our patients and our communities. The internal medicine doctor deals with a range of complex medical issues whether in the clinic or hospital settings. We coordinate care with our physician colleagues, we master complicated medical education and we deliver compassionate care to patients and many times to their families in the process. That is the role of the internal medicine doctor. Every day we are called to hold those ideals for ourselves and the people we serve! North Mississippi Medical Center is teaching those values with vigor as was displayed during my visit!

The North Mississippi Residency Program is vibrant and energetic. The scholarly activity presented there was great to see and hear about. The further endeavors of the doctors are vast and it is good to hear that many will be staying in the area to provide care. I look forward to visiting again soon.

The ACP Governor's Council is committed to our residency programs across the state. There is continued effort for the residency council to work together on issues important to doctors in our state. Visiting training programs help me better understand what matters to our up-and-coming physician leaders. I envision our resident's council collaborating further in the coming year on more scholarly activities.

