

SC Chapter Members,

I trust that everyone had some time to regroup as the summer winds down. Our chapter has some upcoming activities that I would like to highlight as I encourage your participation.

**SC ACP Chapter Meeting:**

You have recently received email notices for the Annual Chapter Meeting that will be held in downtown Greenville at the Hyatt Regency on October 27-28. For those who may have missed those emails, you can register via the SC chapter website [2023 South Carolina Chapter Annual Scientific Meeting | ACP Online](#). You may book your hotel room at the following link [The SC Chapter of the American College of Physicians \(SC ACP\) \(hyatt.com\)](#). There is an associated postcard flyer attached that you may print and post in work areas and share with your colleagues. The best advertising is felt to be “word of mouth” and for this I would ask that you invite your colleagues and coworkers to attend. For those who are not yet members of the ACP, please share that membership affords a discounted registration fee in addition to the numerous benefits as outlined on [acponline.org](#).

**Awards:**

We are delighted to have received multiple nominations from our membership for the Young Physician and James McFarland Awards. We congratulate our nominees and look forward to seeing you all as we present the winners at our upcoming awards receptions at the SC ACP annual chapter meeting in Greenville on October 27, 2023. Please plan to join us!

**James McFarland Award Nominees**

*Victor Collier MD*

Dr. Collier has a personal joy for curiosity and learning that he shares with learners every day. He serves as a primary faculty mentor for both quality improvement and patient safety initiatives, as well as case- based and retrospective studies within the Grand Strand hospital system. He serves on the Pharmacy and Therapeutics, Sepsis, and Medical Executive Committees in addition to his roles as Director of Medical Students (for which he has completely revamped the teaching curriculum for the 20 third-year students who rotate on

our campus throughout the academic year) and IM Residency Program Director. He spearheaded a program dedicated to the continued development of our faculty members, ensuring excellence in teaching for other educators in their interactions with our learners. He has received numerous education and teaching awards, as well as Faculty of the Year awards for several years.

*James McAlpine MD*

Dr McAlpine joined Brio Primary Care 5 years ago after completing his residency at UAB. Both his grandfather and father were general Internists in South Carolina. He consistently demonstrates a passion for education which he shares with Providers, Medical assistants, and student NPs that engage in clinical rotations with him. He has established a criterion for the student NP that rotates with him and leads educational videos, called Fireside chats to educate our current Providers on all things primary care. He is engaged in teaching and makes it fun and interesting, and we all feel incredibly lucky to be a part of his teaching. He is also the Medical Director of our Simpsonville location. He is kind, generous and humble and uses humor effectively in the clinical and teaching settings. Truly he has all the qualities you would dream of in your primary care doctor.

*Brown James McCallum MD*

Dr. McCallum is an academic Hospitalist at the Columbia VA Health Care System. Throughout his career, James has been recognized as an outstanding clinician educator, having been chosen as teacher of the year by students and/or residents on 13 separate occasions. Dr. McCallum chose a career in academic medicine so he could continue to serve students and residents as a model of compassion, empathy, and competence in scientific endeavors. He specializes in the art of diagnosis juxtaposed with clinical acumen. He forms enduring alliances with patients, based in mutual trust and respect, offering the keystone to patient education. Much like the revered Dr. McFarland, Dr. McCallum has also dedicated his life to the service of his patients, the teaching of students and residents, and the enthusiastic and artful practice of “innere Medizin”.

*Jill Sullivan MD PhD*

Dr. Sullivan is in private practice with South Carolina Oncology Associates. She graciously agreed to start an outpatient hematology/oncology experience for residents within their ambulatory block. She takes extra time communicating with residents when consulted in the inpatient setting. Patients who regularly see her for outpatient medical oncology services spontaneously share that she has an excellent bedside manner, is down-to-earth, and charismatic. With her MD PhD background, she has several peer-reviewed publications and helps to provide resident didactics in hematology/oncology.

## Young Physician Award Nominees

### *Alvin Lee Day MD*

Dr. Day is a rheumatologist in Columbia, South Carolina, and the medical director of the Prisma Health Midlands Bone Health Clinic. He serves as a preceptor for residents when they attend the Bone Health Clinic and the VA musculoskeletal clinic where residents are able to hone their procedural skills. The Prisma Health USC SOM Columbia internal medicine residents have previously recognized him for the subspecialty faculty of the year award. Lee is a dynamic speaker and teacher and has contributed to the SC ACP by providing lectures at chapter meetings. He is additionally involved with American College of Rheumatology and International Society of Clinical Densitometry.

### *Jillian Sansbury MD*

Dr Sansbury completed medical school and residency at MUSC in 2012 and 2015 respectively and completed a PGY4 Chief Residency at Grand Strand health, where she currently serves as Associate Program Director for the IM Residency Program. She has special interests in medical simulation, point-of-care ultrasound education, safety and quality initiatives, and palliative and geriatric care. Dr Sansbury has contributed to our state ACP chapter by serving as an at-large member of the Governor's Executive Council, has contributed to reviewing abstracts for our resident and student abstract meetings, and has participated in advocacy via ACP's Leadership Day. She will be presenting a lecture on the management of headache at our upcoming SC Chapter meeting in October.

### *Amber Stroupe DO*

Dr. Stroupe has made significant contributions to ACP on a national and state level. She has served as co-chair of the SC ACP resident and student programming & abstract committee since 2019, for which she initiated our council of resident members and reignited our state's doctors dilemma competition. She is a content creator for questions for the national ACP Doctor's Dilemma competition. She supports our community by teaching our future leaders as an associate professor at Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine – Carolinas and clinical faculty for the FM residency program in Spartanburg. She also serves as a primary care physician. In addition to her involvement in ACP, she is a fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians, American Academy of Pediatrics, and American College of Osteopathic Internists.

### **BOG Resolutions:**

The ACP Board of Governors (BOG) has a resolution process whereby any member via their chapter can advance an issue to the Board of Governors for consideration. These issues are developed into resolutions which can then be debated and discussed by members of

the BOG. This process has a significant influence on policies and priorities developed by the ACP. If you would like to submit a resolution for potential review at the Spring 2024 BOG meeting, the deadline is October 16th. Please contact the chapter at [Aprilkoon@scmedical.org](mailto:Aprilkoon@scmedical.org) with your proposal.

**New Fellows:**

Finally, I would like to congratulate the new fellows (FACP) in our chapter. Ten of our colleagues have advanced since November 2022. We are thankful for their excellence in medicine and their work to benefit their colleagues, patients, and communities.

In closing, I thank everyone for their engagement, and I look forward to seeing each of you at the Annual Meeting in Greenville.

In service,

Steve P. Saunders MBBS. FACP.

Governor, SC Chapter of the ACP

**Attachments:**

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