



2024

ACP WISCONSIN NARRATIVE MEDICINE COMPETITION

Sponsored by the ACP-WI Women's Committee and the Council of Medical Student Members



The ACP Wisconsin Chapter recognizes the value of sharing struggles, triumphs, and everyday life as a way to foster a sense of meaning in medical practice and remind us of the reasons we chose Internal Medicine and continue in this profession. To that end, we invite Wisconsin ACP members of all levels of training to submit a written account of a part of your experience in medicine or other meaningful event. Submissions to Wisconsin ACP's narrative medicine series "In the Life of this Wisconsin Doctor" will be showcased at the Annual Meeting. All accepted submissions will be electronically published on the WI ACP website and chapter meeting brochure and can be listed on the author's CV. Submissions will be judged and prizes awarded.

**Review the submissions from
2022 and 2023 [HERE](#)**

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Narrative Submissions

Any narrative about the member's life or experiences can be submitted; narratives particularly regarding the practice of medicine, medical training, patient interactions, or experiences as a patient are particularly desired. Pieces may express an opinion on controversial topics or advocate for specific policies, but there should be a substantial narrative account supporting these views. It should not be primarily an Opinion-Editorial-type piece.

Narrative pieces will be judged for the Scientific Program competition. Suggested length for narrative pieces is 500-1000 words, with a maximum length of 1500 words. We will accept a maximum of one narrative submission per ACP member.

Any patient identities should be masked; if a patient is able to be identified based on information in the piece, signed permission from the patient or patient's representative is required. If patient information is changed to hide identities, or the piece is a work of fiction, this should be noted. If any patients are referenced in the piece, please explain how the identity was masked. If this is not felt to be adequate to protect patient privacy, we may make additional edits to further hide the identity or we may choose not to publish your submission.

[SUBMIT YOUR ESSAY HERE](#)

Poetry Submissions

For the second year, we will be accepting poetry submissions as well, with a separate contest for poetry submissions. Any accepted submissions will be published in the meeting booklet. The poem you submit should not exceed 500 words. One poetry submission per ACP member; you may submit both poetry and a narrative piece.

[SUBMIT YOUR POEM HERE](#)

Please email Veronica DeMore at info@acpwi.org with any questions. Please be sure to fill in **ALL** of the information on the form—if you leave information out, we may not be able to publish your submission.

Deadline for submission for the competition and publication in the meeting booklet is **May 31, 2024.**

NEW THIS YEAR—OPTIONAL THEME!

If you are in need of inspiration, the Women's Committee suggests these topics as things our chapter would love to hear more about: (you are not limited to these topics)

- The lighter side of medicine
- The best part of my job
- The best/worst advice I have ever gotten
- Finding hope
- Measuring my worth
- My favorite mistake