



Hi everyone,

I hope you're having a good week. Please see below for a few announcements.

Thank you,  
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#### 2026-27 Mastership and National Awards Nominations Portal Now Active

The 2026-27 Mastership and National Awards Nominations Portal is now active. Before submitting a nomination we encourage you to review the [ACP Award & Mastership Categories](#) as well as the [overview page](#), which includes further information on the nomination process, responsibilities of the nominator, and nomination deadlines. Nominators may submit nominations [here](#). You should be able to log into the website using your ACP Online username and password. Please contact John Haefele, Administrator, BOR and Governance Activities at [awards@acponline.org](mailto:awards@acponline.org) with any questions.

#### Call for ACP Resolutions

Are you concerned about a practice or clinical issue or have an idea you would

like to suggest? If so, consider submitting a resolution to ACP. Initiating a resolution provides ACP members an opportunity to focus attention at the ACP national level on an issue or topic. Participating in the resolutions process allows members to shape College policy that impacts the practice of internal medicine. ACP-WI has submitted successful resolutions in recent years on topics such as firearm safety policy education, Hospital at Home policy, and the challenges of Immediate results release to patients.

Not sure how to begin drafting a resolution? The [ACP Board of Governors Resolutions Guide for ACP Members](#) explains the essential steps. The Guide provides a short overview and highlights ACP resources you must use. Please also contact the chapter to get connected to ACP-WI members with experience in writing resolutions for guidance. Once drafted, members must submit resolutions to their Governor and/or Chapter Council. Approval from a Chapter Council is required to move resolutions forward to ACP national.

The deadline for submitting new resolutions to be heard at the Fall 2026 Board of Governors Meeting is March 30, 2026.

### 2026 Narrative Medicine Competition - Submissions Open!

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 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.

**Deadline for submission for the competition and publication in the meeting booklet is May 31, 2026.**

You can review the previous submissions [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.

## **Poetry Submissions:**

There will be a separate contest for poetry submissions, with poems of any form accepted. Accepted submissions will be published in the meeting booklet and prizes awarded. The poem you submit should not exceed 500 words. One poetry submission per ACP member; you may submit both poetry and a narrative piece.

**For essay submissions, please use [this form](#).**  
**For poetry submissions, please use [this form](#).**

## **Call for 2026 Award Nominations**

The ACP-Wisconsin Chapter believes that it is important to recognize and honor distinguished internal medicine physicians and colleagues for their teaching, research, service and leadership accomplishments through our 2026 ACP-Wisconsin Chapter Awards. The Awards Committee requests your assistance in recognizing these individuals. Please refer to the information below for the details of each award and please consider nominating a deserving colleague.

- You may nominate only one candidate for each of the ten awards.
- All nominees must be members of the ACP-Wisconsin Chapter (except for the Legislator of the Year and Advancement of Women's Health Awards). To determine if a person is an ACP-Wisconsin Chapter member, please contact ACP-WI Chapter Staff, Veronica DeMore ([info@acpwi.org](mailto:info@acpwi.org)) or by phone, 414-488-3910.
- **Nominations are due by Monday, April 6th, 2026.** Winners will be notified in June and invited to attend the award presentations at the 2026 ACP-WI Annual Scientific Meeting.
- Please contact Dr. Christie Seibert ([cseibert@wisc.edu](mailto:cseibert@wisc.edu)), ACP-WI Awards Committee Chair, or ACP-WI Chapter Staff, Veronica DeMore ([info@acpwi.org](mailto:info@acpwi.org)) with any questions.

Click [Here](#) to Submit a Nomination

#### ACP-WI Savoring Stories: A Collection of Recipes and Reflections from Healers

ACP-WI's Well-being and Professional Development Committee and Narrative Medicine Committee are seeking your favorite recipes and the stories behind these recipes! Any and all flavors of recipes and stories are being sought. Please feel free to submit a picture as it pertains to the recipe and story (this is optional). You can submit more than one recipe and story.

**If you previously submitted a recipe, we kindly ask that you reach out to [ACP-WI Staff](#) as soon as possible identifying the recipe you submitted. We apologize for any inconvenience.**

Submitted recipes will be entered into a recipe book available for download and shared at the 2026 Annual Scientific Meeting.

Click [here](#) to submit your recipe.

Recipes and stories are due **February 28, 2026.**

#### ACP's Career Connection Virtual Career Fair - March 5, 2026

Looking to launch or advance your internal medicine career? You can now register for ACP's Career Connection Virtual Career Fair, where you will be able to connect directly with company recruiters in private, one-on-one conversations.

Your top reasons to attend:

- Registration is effortless and FREE!
- You can attend from your home, office, or school; all you need is an internet-connected device.
- Company profiles and career opportunities can be explored with the click of a button.
- It is an easy way to make valuable connections and broaden your network.

For more info, [visit here](#).

### Health and Public Policy Committee Updates

ACP-Wisconsin celebrates the passage of two important pieces of legislation on February 19th with overwhelming bipartisan support.

Our chapter contributed over the last two years to advocacy for these important measures:

#### **Gail's Law**

The Wisconsin State Assembly passed Senate Bill 264, otherwise known as "Gail's Law," which will expand access to breast cancer screenings for women with dense breast tissue by requiring health insurance to cover additional tests for people with heightened risk of breast cancer, including women with dense breast tissue. It is named "Gail's Law," a reference to Gail Zeamer, a Neenah mother, who advocated for expanding screening after a too-late diagnosis herself.

Thanks to all ACP members who reached out to legislators in support of this bill.

#### **12-Month postpartum Medicaid Expansion**

Our advocacy on this important bill included creating an issue guide, several opportunities for ACP members to reach out to legislators via Voter Voice, collaboration with the Wisconsin Medical Society for direct legislative advocacy at Doctor Day 2023, and testimony on behalf of our chapter at the Wisconsin Senate hearing on this bill by Dr. Leila Famouri (see photo below).



Thanks to numerous HPPC members who have contributed to this advocacy! Please see our issue guide attached for information on the benefits of extending medical coverage for 12 months post-partum.

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### **ACP Leadership Day, Washington, D.C., May 12-13, 2026**

Registration is now open for this two-day event that features advocacy education and opportunities to meet with federal legislators. CME is provided.

We strive to include representatives from each Wisconsin congressional district in our delegation to Leadership Day. Please notify HPPC Chair Dr. Sophie Kramer ([drsophiekramer@gmail.com](mailto:drsophiekramer@gmail.com)) if you are interested in attending this year.

[Learn More About Leadership Day](#)

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### **Save the Date! Wisconsin Doctor Day, June 25, 2026**

ACP-WI is a sponsor of 2026 Doctor Day, and we will have special programming for ACP-WI attendees. Click [here](#) for more information.

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### **Advocates for Internal Medicine**

ACP-National is working on all fronts on vital policy issues impacting our patients and profession. Recent efforts include protecting evidence-based vaccine policy; advocating against restrictive IMG visa policies; supporting ACA protections; and supporting sustainable Medicare policy. You can stay informed and support

these efforts by joining the [Advocates for Internal Medicine Network](#).

### 2026 ACP Internal Medicine Meeting - Chapter Reception

We invite you to attend the Wisconsin Chapter Reception on Friday, April 17th at 6:00PM, held in collaboration with the Massachusetts and Michigan Chapters. Details can be found below:

ACP Wisconsin, Massachusetts and Michigan Chapters Reception  
Friday, April 17th, 2026  
6:00PM - 7:30PM

John's Grill  
63 Ellis St.  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
*Located a few blocks from the Moscone Center, and a short walk from the Marriott Marquis.*

For more information about the 2026 Internal Medicine Meeting, [visit here](#).

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For or any questions, please contact [ACP-WI Staff](#).