



Hi everyone,

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

Thank you,  
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Ann Maguire, MD, MPH, FACP  
Governor, ACP Wisconsin Chapter

#### ACP-WI Well-Being Committee Hike Across Wisconsin

The ACP-WI Well-being Committee hosted their Hike Across Wisconsin this past weekend enjoying the sunny weather and beautiful landscapes! The Madison group hiked a segment of the Ice Age Trail, while the Milwaukee group hiked Lapham Peak. It was a great day connecting members of the Chapter at varying levels of practice and sharing stories with all who joined us.



Madison Group





**Milwaukee Group**

**ACP-WI Statement in Support of Minnesota Healthcare Workers, January 29, 2026**

The Wisconsin chapter of the American College of Physicians stands in support of our colleagues in Minnesota showing their courage and dedication during a period of crisis in their state. The American College of Physicians stands in opposition to policies and actions that promote violence of any kind, harm patients, limit access to care, interfere with medically appropriate treatment, or undermine the patient-physician relationship. ACP has called for health care settings to remain safe spaces where patients can seek care without fear and clinicians can provide confidential care without interference.

In an atmosphere of violence and intimidation, our colleagues in Minnesota show up with courage, dedication, and tenacity.

Your colleagues and friends in Wisconsin see you: physicians, nurses, and all

health professionals working tirelessly to uphold our professional commitment to unbiased, dignified and respectful healthcare for all.

### ACP-WI Member Spotlight

ACP-WI member Dr. Katie Gavinski will be speaking at the upcoming ACP National Meeting in San Francisco on Thursday, April 16th from 8-9AM! The workshop is entitled "Thinking about Thinking: Improving Clinical Decision Making in Everyday Practice." It's a session breaking down the clinical decision making process, identify where errors are made in decision making, and best practices to improve clinician's (and educators!) reasoning skills. Joining Dr. Gavinski will be Drs. Eliana Bonifacino, Debbie DiNardo, and Missy McNeil. We encourage all attending to support your fellow Chapter member but coming to this incredible session!



### 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.

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 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](#).