



Governor's Update

*WEST VIRGINIA GOVERNOR,
MICHAEL P. IANNETTI, MD, FACP*

Governor's Letter

Dear Colleagues,

I am both thrilled and deeply honored to assume the role of Governor for the West Virginia Chapter of the American College of Physicians (ACP). As I take on this important responsibility, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to our previous Governor, Dr. Shawn Chillag, for his exceptional leadership and dedication over the years. Dr. Chillag's contributions to our chapter have been invaluable, and I am incredibly grateful for his support throughout this transition. His guidance has set a high bar for the work we do, and I look forward to continuing the great work that he has led.

I'd also like to take a moment to reflect on the recent ACP National Meeting in New Orleans, which was a truly inspiring event. It was an amazing opportunity to connect with colleagues from across our state and country to exchange ideas on how we can continue to improve patient care, support our members, and promote the field of internal medicine.

A special congratulations goes to the Marshall University Doctor's Dilemma Team for making it to the semifinals! Their hard work and expertise were evident, and they represented our chapter with distinction.

I'd also like to congratulate our new ACP fellows, whose dedication and hard work have earned them this prestigious honor. In addition, I want to commend the medical students and residents from our state who presented their research and posters at the national meeting. The quality and quantity of the posters from our chapter were truly exceptional.

Lastly, I'd like to acknowledge former West Virginia ACP Governor Laura Davisson for delivering an insightful presentation on obesity management at the national meeting. She has been a vital part of our chapter, contributing significantly to its success.

As I begin my tenure as your Governor, I am filled with enthusiasm for the opportunities ahead. I look forward to working with all of you—internists from across our state—to continue advocating for our members and for the patients we serve. Together, we will ensure that the voice of internal medicine is heard, both in our state and on the national stage.

Please know that I am always available to listen to your thoughts and ideas as we move forward. It is through our collective efforts that we can continue to build a strong and supportive community of internists in West Virginia.

Thank you again for the trust and confidence you have placed in me. I am excited to serve as your Governor and look forward to the great work we will accomplish together.

Warm regards,
Michael Iannetti, MD, FACP, FHM
Governor, West Virginia Chapter, ACP

Members in the News

Syed Ahmad, PGY2 in Morgantown and future chief resident, has been selected for the prestigious ACP Health Policy Internship Program. This highly competitive opportunity offers early-career physicians a deep dive into the world of health policy, advocacy, and the legislative process. As an intern, Dr. Ahmad will engage in policy research and analysis, support advocacy initiatives, and help develop educational materials. He will also attend Congressional hearings, issue briefings, and accompany ACP's government affairs team on lobby visits and other key events on Capitol Hill. **Congratulations, Dr. Ahmad!**