Hello Friends,

I hope you've had a chance to enjoy this beautiful summer weather - it seems an antidote to the less sunny political rhetoric we will continue to endure until November 8. Make sure to visit the ACP Advocacy site online for election-year issues and more.

In MOC news, the ABIM announced it will send a survey next month asking internists what they would prefer in an alternate MOC pathway. They also just announced an update to their collaboration with ACCME that allows improved searching of activities that will count toward MOC. With CME Finder, you can search by provider or using filters you could select a specialty area or you could find all of the activities available without a fee.

ACP published a new position paper: Addressing the Increasing Burden of Health Insurance Cost Sharing. The College wants to call attention to the fact that patients are foregoing care because of high deductibles. There are 5 recommendations which you can read about here.

New Patient FACTS: ACP has created new patient fact sheets about Zika virus, antibiotic resistance, and insomnia. ACP's Patient FACTS are designed to be user-friendly and easy to understand. They aim to facilitate communication by providing information about common health conditions and offering questions patients may want to ask their healthcare professionals. Versions are available for free in English, and Spanish versions will be available in fall 2016. The new fact sheets cover the following topics: Zika Virus, Antibiotic Resistance, and Insomnia.

Are you concerned about a practice or clinical issue or have an idea you'd like to suggest? Bring it to the chapter ACP Governor's Council attention and we will submit it as a resolution. The deadline for resolutions that will be heard at the Spring 2017 Board of Governors meeting is September 28. This article in ACP Internist will tell you more.

I hope to see you at our Annual Chapter Meeting on Friday, October 28! Look for the brochure with registration information appearing soon.

All the best,
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