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Member Highlight: Anne Spaulding, MD, FACP

Even after she got her first job in correctional medicine, Anne Spaulding, MD, never thought she’d spend her entire career in the field. She grew up in Northern Virginia, earned her medical degree at the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine, and completed her internal medicine residency in Rhode Island, followed by a fellowship in infectious diseases at the University of Massachusetts, Worcester. For family reasons, she wanted to stay in Rhode Island when she launched her career, but jobs in her field were scarce. READ MORE

American Cancer Society: Colon cancer screening should start earlier

People should start getting screened for colon cancer at age 45 instead of at 50, the American Cancer Society said recently. The group lowered its guidelines after research clearly showed people are getting colorectal cancer at younger and younger ages in the U.S. It’s not clear why, but the trend is so clear that the group wants people to start checking sooner. READ MORE
Congressional bill would add 1,000 doctors to fight opioid addiction

Forbes

A bipartisan health bill in Congress is using the opioid crisis as a way to pay for doctor training and medical residency slots, an area of federal funding that hasn’t expanded in two decades. The Opioid Workforce Act would create 1,000 new "Medicare-supported" medical residency positions, training “new doctors in addiction medicine, addiction psychiatry or pain management,” U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, a Florida Democrat, said. The legislation also has backing from Republican Sen. Dean Heller of Nevada, U.S. House Reps. Joseph Crowley, a New York Democrat, and Rep. Ryan Costello, a Pennsylvania Republican. READ MORE

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