We are pleased to announce the establishment of the ACP Gulf Chapter effective July 1, 2015.

The chapter includes the Gulf Cooperation Council countries of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates. (A separate chapter is maintained in Saudi Arabia.) The ACP Board of Regents approved the chapter at its recent meeting.

Essam Elsayed, MD, MS, FACP, FASN was recently appointed as Interim Governor based on recommendations from a local member steering committee. Dr. Elsayed is a Nephrology Consultant at the Medical Subspecialties Institute, Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi. He will provide leadership for the new chapter and will serve as the point of contact between College staff and ACP members in the Gulf Chapter.

The Gulf Chapter is the 17th International Chapter for ACP. The others include: six in Canada, six in Latin America (Brazil, Central America, Chile, Colombia, Mexico & Venezuela) and one each in India, Japan, Saudi Arabia and Southeast Asia (which includes Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines and Singapore). Currently, we have approximately 13,000 members outside the United States.

As the chapter develops, you will have the opportunity to network with other internists in the region who are College members and participate in continuing medical education activities.

Congratulations! We look forward to working with you as part of ACP’s 17th international chapter.

Warm regards,

Jim

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