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Greetings!

Fall is upon us (how did that happen?) and finally we have some cool, refreshing temperatures to enjoy. Fall also means that activities move into high gear in our chapter. Here are some recent updates and announcements:

**Webinar Updates**
We held our first “ACP After Hours” Webinar for the academic year last evening. Entitled “The Do’s, Don’ts and Maybe’s When Applying to Residency,” specifically for our medical student members, was a resounding success. Led admirably by Teresa Lynch, MD, FACP with Holly Rosencranz, MD, FACP, the Directors of the Internal Medicine Residency Program at the U of I—Peoria and Urbana respectively, this webinar provided tips on the residency application process for students. Acknowledgements also go to Susan Hingle, MD, FACP and John Rogers, MD, FACP, who started this webinar a few years ago.

Our Education Committee has put together a fantastic “ACP After Hours” webinar series for the coming year. Here are the current planned offerings, all at 5:30 PM central time:

- **September 16:** The Do’s, Don’t and Maybe’s When Applying to Residency
  - Teresa Lynch, MD, FACP & Holly Rosencranz, MD, FACP
- **October 21:** Update: Patient Centered Medical Home
  - Michael Barr, MD, MBA, FACP, ACP Senior Vice-President, Division of Medical Practice
- **November 18:** Primary Care and Public Health Integration Project
  - Carrie Horwitch, MD, FACP, Judith Monroe, MD, James Galloway, MD, FACP
- **January 13:** Immunizations
  - Marie Brown, MD, FACP & Alfredo Mena Lora, MD
- **February 10:** Everything You Need to Know about ICD-10
  - Debra Lansey and colleagues, ACP Washington DC office
- **March 10:** Evidence-based Physical Diagnosis
  - Stephen McGee, MD, FACP
- **April 14:** Applying for Subspecialty Fellowships
  - Janet Jokela, MD, MPH, FACP & Andrew Varney, MD, FACP
- **May 19:** Advancing to ACP Fellowship
  - Susan Hingle, MD, FACP, Chair, ACP Board of Governors

Enjoy! This is a benefit of your ACP membership. If you have suggestions for future webinar topics, please send them along.
The Leadership Webinar series is also coming together, as part of our collaboration with the SE Pennsylvania Chapter and spearheaded by our Young Physicians Council. Watch for the announcements.

**Opportunities**

As you might recall, last month we thanked and acknowledged all of our committee members—if you would like to become involved, or if there’s a new issue that you think deserves the ACP’s attention, please let me know. Our chapter’s strength is our membership—*you*—and your ideas, energy, and commitment. We would be delighted to have your participation.

**Immunization Week**

National Immunization Week will be the week of December 9th, and the national ACP Center for Quality has some terrific activities planned for our Illinois Chapter. Why us? Because Illinois is one of the participating chapters partnering with the ACP Center for Quality, which has launched a quality improvement initiative focused on increasing adult immunizations. An event is planned for Chicago mid-week, and for Downstate Illinois in Springfield, probably on Friday, December 13 and Saturday, December 14. CME and Maintenance of Certification Credit for the activities are planned, watch for more details soon.

**Downstate Residents and Students Meeting: November 1, Champaign**

Planning has moved into high gear. Residents and students are getting their posters ready, the resident oral vignette presenters are practicing, and the Downstate Doctors Dilemma teams from each of the programs are honing their skills. Larry Jennings, MD, FACP, is preparing the Jeopardy questions. We are looking forward to an exciting day, including a CME plenary on "Patient-centered Care: What is it, Really?" given by a faculty panel of Jennifer Bussell, MD, FACP, Jean Holley, MD, FACP, and Stacey Sattovia, MD, FACP, and multiple recognitions and awards. This is truly a team effort! Special thanks to our Downstate students and residents who are organizing this meeting, spearheaded by the Chair of our Council of Associates, Kalyani Chandra, MD.

**Save the dates!**

**Friday, November 1, Downstate Illinois Chapter Residents and Students Day, Champaign.** The program may be viewed [here](#). Registration is now open! Click [here](#) to register.

**Wednesday and Thursday, November 6 & 7, Illinois ACP Scientific Meeting, Rosemont Convention Center, Rosemont, Illinois.** Register now at: [http://www.acponline.org/about_acp/chapters/il/news_meet.htm](http://www.acponline.org/about_acp/chapters/il/news_meet.htm)

**December 9 through 14th—Immunization Week Events, ACP Center for Quality, details forthcoming**

**April 10 – 12, 2014, Internal Medicine 2014 in Orlando, Florida**

Enjoy the fall! I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at our chapter meetings. Thank you for all of the good you do for each other and your patients.

Kind regards,

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