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Dear ACP Downstate IL Members-
Greetings! Here are some brief updates from your Downstate Illinois Chapter.

ACP Illinois Statewide Meeting 2016

Our ACP Illinois Annual meeting is quickly approaching, scheduled for Friday and Saturday November 18th and 19th in Champaign at the I-Hotel (Friday, 11/18) and Champaign Country Club (Saturday, 11/19). The meeting's theme, The Quadruple Aim (better care, better health, lower cost, improved physician satisfaction) guides the agenda-see the meeting [brochure](#)! Offerings include physician wellness, clinical updates, maintenance of certification modules for MOC points, and more! Special guests include **Joseph Li, MD, FACP, FSHM**, Member, Board of Regents (and former President of the Society of Hospital Medicine) and **Susan Hingle, MD, FACP**, Chair-elect of the ACP Board of Regents, and opening plenary speakers **Catherine Cheng, MD, FACP**, **Elsa Vazquez Melendez, MD, FACP** and **David Steward MD, MACP**. [Register now!](#)

Downstate IL Students and Residents Poster Competition

The poster competition for Downstate IL students and residents is scheduled for Thursday evening, November 17, at the I-Hotel in Champaign. This is a fantastic opportunity for all students and residents. Abstract submission deadline is this [Friday, September 30](#). Submit your abstracts [here](#). All are welcome to meet and greet the students and residents, and view their posters.

Early Career MD and Students Mentoring Breakfast

On Saturday morning, November 19, our Downstate IL Chapter will be hosting a mentoring breakfast for Early Career MDs, medical residents and medical students in Champaign at the Champaign Country Club, in conjunction with our ACP Illinois meeting. This will provide a great opportunity for learning and growth-if you are an Early Career MD, medical resident or a medical student, hope to see you there! Register [here](#).

ACP Downstate Illinois Council

Thanks is in order to our Chapter's Council: **Naveed Adoni, MD**, **Andy Arwari, MD**, **Hanna Erickson, MD**, **James Graumlich, MD, FACP**, **Susan Hingle, MD, FACP**, **Jennie Hsu-Lumetta, MD, FACP**, **Majd Ibrahim, MD**, **Lawrence Jennings, MD, MACP**, **Michael Kuhlenschmidt, MD**, **Teresa Lynch, MD, FACP**, **Gary Rull, MD, FACP**, **Vidya Sundareshan, MD, FACP**. The Council provides guidance to the Governor and Chapter on a variety of issues, including the budget, resolutions, our educational programs, and much more. Thank you all!

ACP Downstate IL Webinars

We have some terrific webinars planned for this year, including Physician Wellness, Practice Transformation, Intern Survival, and more. Watch for dates and registration links. All Downstate IL webinars are free and open to all, as a benefit of your ACP membership.

ACP Travel Grant Program for Early Career MDs

This fall the ACP will be offering a Travel Grant Program to provide a limited number of \$2000 travel grants to Early Career Physician Members and Fellows who apply to attend the annual meeting, Internal Medicine 2017. Special consideration will be given to first-time attendees, physicians who serve rural or under-served populations, physicians of diverse backgrounds, and those without a significant source for CME funding. Watch for more details soon!

ACP Early Career Physician E-Poster Competition

On Thursday, March 30 at Internal Medicine 2017 in San Diego, the ACP will host its inaugural E-Poster Competition for Early Career Physicians. The competition will be online only, with no onsite judging; both clinical and research abstracts will be accepted. The portal for the competition will open in early October and judging will take place in December. Fifty winners will be selected to develop an online poster. Winners will be listed in the Young Achievers Program at Internal Medicine 2017. More information to follow soon!

ACP Annual Report 2015-2016

In case you have not already seen it, the ACP 2015-2016 Annual Report of the Executive Vice President, an interactive review of the College's programs, initiatives, and accomplishments over the past fiscal year is available [here](#). Browse ACP highlights from the past year, including information about clinical recommendations and policy papers, the High Value Care initiative, our advocacy efforts to represent your interests and needs, and much more.

Save the Dates!

Every Tuesday, 8:00 PM, MKSAP Live Online Study Hall, for recertifying Illinois ACP members, and 'elite' residency programs (that is, programs with more than 90% of residents registered as ACP members). See [here](#) for more information.

ACP Downstate Illinois Student and Residents Poster Competition, November 17, Champaign. Click [here](#) to submit an abstract, deadline is September 30.

ACP Illinois Meeting, November 18-19, Champaign. Register [here](#)!

ACP Internal Medicine 2017, March 30-April 1, San Diego. Click [here](#) for more info!

Enjoy the cooler fall weather. Hope to see you in Champaign in November at our annual meeting!

Sincerely yours,

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*"To enhance the quality and effectiveness of health care
by fostering excellence and professionalism in the practice of medicine."*