

Meet your MA ACP Governor's Council

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George M. Abraham, MD, MPH, FACP, Immediate Past Governor of the Massachusetts Chapter of the American College of Physicians is Professor of Medicine at the University of Massachusetts Medical School, Associate Chief of Medicine at Saint Vincent Hospital, Worcester, Massachusetts and Adjunct Professor at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS). He is board certified in Internal Medicine and Infectious Disease.

Currently, Dr. Abraham is Chair, Board of Governors of ACP and a Regent of the College. He is also a member of the American Board of Internal Medicine Infectious Disease Board. He also serves on several committees of the American College of Physicians (ACP). He also is a member of the Board of Registration (Licensing) in Medicine, Massachusetts. Prior to this, he has served as a Trustee of the Massachusetts Medical Society, as President of the Worcester District Medical Society, as the Chief Medical Officer of the Central Massachusetts Independent Physician Association and Chair of the Board of Directors of the Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts.

He has received several awards including the AOA Volunteer Faculty Award and the Outstanding Primary Care Educator Award of UMass Medical School; the Leadership Award of the MA chapter of the ACP; and the Phi Lambda Sigma Honorary Membership, MCPHS, Worcester, Massachusetts, among others.

His research interests include hepatitis C and B disease, travel medicine and infection control, as well as medication safety and systems improvement. He has authored several publications, abstracts and book chapters, and presented at national and international meetings. He has also written prolifically on issues of public health in the media. He maintains a practice in internal medicine (primary care) as well as infectious disease.

Dr. Abraham earned his medical degrees from the Christian Medical College, India, completed his residency and chief residency at Saint Vincent Hospital, and received his master's degree in public health from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

In the past, he has volunteered with Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity, and currently, he also leads medical mission trips annually to rural Louisiana and Mexico, with his church.

Ebrahim Barkoudah, MD, MPH, FACP, FHM, Co-Chair, Early Career Physician Council is the Medical Director and Associate Medical Director of the Hospital Medicine Unit, and a member of the Brigham and Women's Academic Hospitalist Service in the Department of Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital.

After serving as a post-doctoral research fellow in physiology, Dr. Barkoudah completed his residency in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics at the University of Tennessee Health Science

Center. He served as an assistant in medicine at the Massachusetts General Hospital, and then joined the Division of General Internal Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital as Associate Physician, and Harvard Medical School as Instructor in Medicine. He has also earned a master's degree in Public Health from Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. Clinically, Dr. Barkoudah serves as an academic educator on the inpatient General Medicine Service. In his current role, he precepts a cohort of internal medicine residents and senior Harvard medical students while managing patients during their hospital stay.

Furthermore, Dr. Barkoudah's research interests lie in clinical research outcomes as well as clinical trials of therapeutic interventions through his role in the Clinical Endpoint Center at Brigham and Women's Hospital. He has co-authored publications in cardiovascular and diabetes outcome research, in addition to numerous national and international presentations. His work also focuses on quality improvement and clinical innovation, and he currently serves on several clinical innovations committees at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Brigham Health.

Dr. Barkoudah joined the Early Career Physician Council at the ACP, Massachusetts Chapter in 2013 and served as its treasurer. Subsequently, Dr. Barkoudah was elected to serve as the Chair of ECP. Dr. Barkoudah is a Fellow of the ACP and a member of the Executive Planning Committee for the Massachusetts Chapter Annual Scientific Meeting. Nationally, he is serving as a member of Hospitalist Task Force and the national membership committee.

Harriet Bering, MD, FACP is Medical Director of the Harvard Vanguard Beverly site which is a 15-physician group of internists - both primary care and subspecialists in Beverly. She graduated from medical school from Stanford and completed training in Internal Medicine, Hematology and Oncology at Dartmouth Hitchcock Hospital and Yale New Haven hospital. She has been actively practicing Hematology and Oncology on the North Shore for 20 years. She has been active on the MA ACP council for several years. As president of a small group of internists in private practice, she can bring to the council the perspective of physicians trying to stay independent in the current environment and is very aware of the concerns of both primary care internists and subspecialists. She has been an advocate for payment reform that would better recognize cognitive services, both by primary care physicians and specialists. She served as the council's representative to governor's payment reform committee which convened several meetings with representatives from various specialty societies in 2009. She is interested in helping private practices improve care coordination and thrive despite all the changes in reimbursement.

Resident Member – Prarthna Bhardwaj, MD, Baystate is a second-year resident at Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. She completed medicine at JJM Medical College in South India before moving to the United States to pursue a residency in Internal Medicine. She envisions a future in academic hematology-oncology which she has always been passionate about. She has often been humbled by the disparities in health care services across various systems and is committed to narrowing that gap in the future. She currently also serves as the resident representative of the geriatrics committee of Massachusetts Medical Society and heads the "research track" at her residency program.

Elisa Choi, MD, FACP, Governor of the Massachusetts Chapter is dual Board Certified in both Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases, and currently practices at Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates, where she sees patients in general Internal Medicine, Infectious Disease, and HIV. Dr. Choi has contributed to and co-authored numerous clinical guidelines and algorithms within her organization, that help support evidence based care of patients. Dr. Choi has additional certifications in Travel Medicine through the International Society of Travel Medicine, and has received MA-DPH sponsored training in Sexually Transmitted Diseases.

Dr. Choi is the Director of Teaching for Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates/Harvard Medical School, where she provides leadership, oversight, and strategic planning for the various educational programs affiliated with and based at the organization, and works closely with Harvard Medical School and its teaching hospitals. In addition, as a Faculty member of Harvard Medical School, Dr. Choi is actively involved in the clinical teaching and education of medical students and residents, as a preceptor, lecturer, and mentor.

Dr. Choi has numerous publications in peer-reviewed journals, book chapters, newsletters, and online electronic formats, and also frequently contributes to patient-centered blogs. Dr. Choi has been an invited speaker at the local, regional, and national level, where her lecture topics have ranged from general infectious diseases to health care disparities in the Asian & Pacific Islander community, the latter for which Dr. Choi has a particularly strong interest.

Dr. Choi is the Chair of the Board of Directors of a non-profit organization, MAP (Massachusetts Asian and Pacific Islanders) for Health, which works for fairness, equality and inclusion of the Asian, South Asian, and Pacific Islander communities in health care planning, disease prevention, primary care access, and service delivery. MAP for Health also attempts to address health disparities that affect the Asian & Pacific Islander and Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual and Transgender communities. Dr. Choi has also actively participated in a working group in the Massachusetts Medical Society to support and promote vaccinations in adult patients. A Fellow of the American College of Physicians, Dr. Choi has also been actively involved in the Governor's Council of the MA Chapter of the ACP, and has participated as part of the planning/steering committee for the 2012 ACP Annual Scientific Meeting, and attended the Leadership Day conferences in Washington, D.C., in June 2012 and May 2013. Dr. Choi will be a core writing group member of the upcoming MKSAP 17 version, for Infectious Disease content. Beginning 2013, Dr. Choi was recently appointed by State Treasurer Steven Grossman as a Commissioner of the Asian American Commission (AAC) of the Commonwealth of MA. In her role as a Commissioner of the AAC, Dr. Choi has been a leading member of the Healthcare Subcommittee, and has actively supported the AAC's focus for 2013 on healthcare issues affecting the Asian & Pacific Islander community.

Richard M. Dupee, MD, MACP, AGSF, FRSM, Immediate Past Governor of the Massachusetts Chapter of the American College of Physicians, is Clinical Professor of Medicine, Dean of the Office of International Affairs, and Co-Director of the PA program, at Tufts University School of Medicine. He is also Chief of the Geriatrics Division at Tufts Medical Center. He established a

new geri-ortho service at Tufts Medical center in 2016, and this service has had a profound influence on improving outcomes in older patients after orthopedic procedures. In addition, under his direction, the geriatrics team at Tufts provides direct care for elderly patients on admission, to improve care and reduce risk of adverse events so common in this population. He was the founder and CEO of Wellesley Medical Associates, in Wellesley MA, a highly respected internal medicine and geriatrics practice, associated with Tufts Medical Center, which he left in 2014 to become Dean of the Office of International Affairs at Tufts. Dr. Dupee is also the founder and former Medical Director of the Alliance for Quality Care (AQC), a multi-physician group that manages Medicare Preferred patients, and has ranked in the top 1% in quality care scores. Dr. Dupee is a Master of the American College of Physicians, the American Geriatrics Society, and the Royal Society of Medicine. Dr. Dupee has won numerous awards in geriatrics and internal medicine, including top doctors in Boston magazine, Castle-Connolly Medical Ltd, and US News and World Report. He was also chosen "Top Doctors Boston, As Chosen by Their Peers": Boston Consumers' Checkbook, 2007-2017, "America's Top Physicians," Consumer's Research Council of America, 2003-2017, and Physician of the Year, Physician Advisory Board, National Republican Committee, 2003-2005. In 2013, he was awarded the "Lifetime Achievement Award" by the New Hampton School. He also serves as President of the Massachusetts Chapter of the American Geriatrics Society, where he has been instrumental in establishing national guidelines for geriatric education both at the medical student and residency levels.

Robert Fishman, DO, FACP is in the solo, private practice of Internal Medicine in South Hadley, Massachusetts, where he has been in full time clinical practice since 1988. He has been active in the Massachusetts Chapter of the American College of Physicians for over twenty five years, first as a member of the Chapter's Health and Public Policy Committee (1991-2002), then subsequently as a member of the Chapter's Governor's Council (2002-present). Dr. Fishman received the MA-ACP Chapter Leadership Award in 2009, predominantly for work involving development of grassroots groups of physician members. He believes in the value of physicians being self-employed, and advocates tirelessly on the Governor's Council for the stability and betterment of solo and small general internal medicine practices. He brings this same advocacy to his executive committee and board membership of the Massachusetts eHealth Collaborative, positions he has held since 2004. Dr. Fishman is Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor of Internal Medicine at the New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine (formerly known as the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine), an Attending Physician in the Department of Medicine at Holyoke Medical Center, and a physician champion of the community based EHR and PCMH projects in the Holyoke area. Dr. Fishman is the President of Valley Health Partners, the Holyoke PHO, and Chair of their Best Practices Committee. He feels that the payment gap between primary care and specialty care should be narrowed to enhance resident career choices in primary care and viability for those already in the field. Dr. Fishman became a Diplomat of the American Board of Internal Medicine in 1985, and advanced to Fellowship in the American College of Physicians in 1991. He was honored as Laureate of the Massachusetts Chapter in 2013.

Allan H. Goroll, MD, MACP, Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Physician, Massachusetts General Hospital; Past Massachusetts ACP Governor, Past President Massachusetts Medical Society. Chair, Massachusetts Coalition for Primary Care Reform; Editor *Primary Care Medicine*, 6th edition. Practice and teaching of primary care internal medicine.

Linda Habeeb, MD, FACP is a full time primary care internist for Medical Affiliates of Cape Cod (MACC), a subsidiary of Cape Cod Healthcare, in Sandwich, MA where she started the practice in 1998. She has served a number of leadership roles for the multispecialty practice over the years including physician liaison and medical director. She currently serves as a member of the MACC executive committee and EMR physician champion's committee. She became a fellow of the ACP in 2011. She has been an active member for the Early Career Physician ACP MA chapter from 2011-2013 where she helped start the mentoring collaborative initiative. Her interests include survival of the primary care internist, mentoring/networking programs for physicians, geriatric medicine, preventative care, and patient centered medical home model.

James V. Hennessey, MD, FACP comes to Boston from Brown Medical School. He is director of Clinical Endocrinology at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and is Associate Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School. He spends his time with his Thyro-centric practice diagnosing and treating the full spectrum of thyroid disease, mentoring endocrine fellows in clinical research and developing the various subspecialty areas in the Division of Endocrinology. He is a former Governor of ACP Rhode Island.

Thomas L. Higgins, MD, MBA, FACP is Chief Medical Officer for MedStrat Research in Longmeadow, MA, and provides consultation services in critical care, hospital case management, and severity-of-illness adjustment for outcomes reporting. Dr. Higgins is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine, the American Board of Anesthesiology and holds subspecialty qualification in Critical Care Medicine. From 1996 he has practiced adult Critical Care at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, MA, also serving in a variety of administrative roles, including vice- chair of the Department of Medicine and on the Board of Directors for Baystate Medical Practices. Between 2015 and 2017 he was chief medical officer (CMO) and interim president at Baystate Franklin Medical Center, and CMO at Baystate Noble Hospital. His career also includes directing the Cardiothoracic ICU at the Cleveland Clinic, with research concentrating on sepsis, risk-stratification systems and "fast-track" recovery from cardiac surgery. During his time at Baystate, Dr. Higgins inaugurated Critical Care Fellowships, championed EMR implementation as Medical Director of Inpatient Informatics, and was Medical Director of Case Management. He serves on several committees for the Society of Critical Care Medicine, and the Board of Directors for the American Association for Physician Leadership. Dr. Higgins has coauthored two textbooks of critical care, two books on medical history, and has published over one hundred peer-reviewed publications, including the widely-used Mortality Probability Model (MPM-III) for critical care benchmarking. Tom maintains his primary care skills and high-altitude adaptation with biennial medical missions to the Zanskar valley in the Himalayas.

Barry Izenstein, MD, MACP has been a member of the MA Chapter, ACP council since 1983, past chair of its credentials committee and immediate past Governor of the Chapter. He is an Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at Tufts University School of Medicine. He maintains a full time private practice in endocrinology and primary care in Springfield, Massachusetts and is associated with Baystate Medical Center and Mercy Hospital and their teaching programs. He is Chief of Medicine at the Soldiers Home in Holyoke and President-elect of the New England Chapter of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists.

Aisha James, MD, MS is a Med-Peds primary care physician at the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) Everett Family Care Practice and an Instructor in Medicine & Pediatrics at Harvard Medical School (HMS). Dr. James started her career as a public school teacher and is now active in medical education. She serves as a primary care preceptor for residents, an inpatient teaching attending, and a director of the resident advocacy curriculum. Dr. James' areas of interest include social medicine and physician advocacy. She holds leadership positions in the MGH Social Justice & Advocacy Coalition, MGHfC Advocacy Committee, MGH Gun Violence Prevention Coalition, MGH Asylum Clinic, and the HMS Nashua Street Jail Crimson Care Clinic. Dr. James was recently appointed to the American College of Physicians Massachusetts Governor's Council and serves as co-chair of their Health & Public Policy Committee.

Dr. James earned her Master of Education from Brooklyn College and her MD at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Dr. James is a recent graduate of the MGH combined Internal Medicine & Pediatrics residency program and will serve as a chief resident of the MGH Internal Medicine residency program in 2019-2020.

Andrew Jorgensen, MD, FAAP, Outer Cape Health Services, Chief Medical Officer, is board certified in both Pediatrics and Internal Medicine. He practices Primary Care for adults and children and participates in the Office Based Opioid Treatment Program at OCHS. Dr Jorgensen obtained his undergraduate degree with honors from the University of California, Davis with a B.S. in Biochemistry in 1995, and received his Doctor of Medicine degree from Saint Louis University School of Medicine in 1999 with a Distinction in Research. His Internal Medicine-Pediatrics Internship and Residency was completed in 2003 at the University of Texas, Houston. After his residency, Dr Jorgensen practiced primary care in Texas, including as the Founding Partner of Houston Adult and Pediatric Medical Associates from 2003-2007, and was appointed Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Texas, Houston, from 2003 - 2007. Dr Jorgensen was nominated for Physician of the Year in 2006 at the Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital in Texas. From 2008-2015, Dr Jorgensen was a practicing physician and Medical Director of the Cambridge Health Alliance Everett and Revere Family Health Centers until joining OCHS in July, 2015. Dr Jorgensen was a clinical instructor at the Harvard Medical School from 2008 - 2015 and has been an active academic teacher throughout his career. Dr Jorgensen is an engaged member of numerous professional societies including the Massachusetts Medical Society, the American Medical Association, and as a Fellow in both the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Physicians. He was appointed to the American College of Physicians

Massachusetts Governor's Council in 2013 and continues to represent the Outer and Lower Cape in that role. Dr Jorgensen has initiated and participated in many performance improvement projects and committees in his leadership roles and continues this work at OCHS. Dr Jorgensen's particular and current interests include system changes to reduce provider burnout, the integration of Behavioral Health in Primary Care, the development of the Patient-Centered Medical Home, as well as forging ties that lead to healthier communities. Dr Jorgensen, a native of California, lives in Provincetown with his fiancée.

Gene Lambert MD, MBA is the Director of the Hospital Medicine Group at Massachusetts General Hospital which employs 35+ physicians, 2 NPs and operates three patient service lines within the Department of Medicine. He has been an inpatient clinician since 2002 providing direct patient care, attending on the medical teaching services and teaching the Patient-Doctor II course at Harvard Medical School. He is an Assistant Physician at Massachusetts General Hospital and a Clinical Instructor in Medicine at Harvard Medical School. He earned a MBA with certification in Healthcare Management from the Boston University School of Management. He completed a Massachusetts General Physician Organization Physician Administrative Fellowship. He did his Internal Medicine residency at Temple Hospital in Philadelphia and earned his Doctor of Medicine from the Tufts University School of Medicine. He graduated with a BA in Biology from Brown University. He currently serves on the Clinical Business Development Committee, the Information Systems Steering Committee, the Medical Service Operations Oversight Committee, the Emergency Department/Department of Medicine Committee and the Medical Procedure Service Committee. He previously served as a Physician Lead on the Partners Acute Care Documentation project, an inpatient electronic health record system for Massachusetts General Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital. He is an active member of the Society of Hospital Medicine's Performance and Standards Committee, a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society, the MA ACP Council of Early Career Physicians and the American College of Physician Executives. His areas of interest include physician performance, patient safety and quality, process improvement, healthcare IT and strategy.

Robert Lebow, MD, FACP is a solo primary care board certified internist in private practice in Southbridge - he practices both geriatrics and internal medicine - who has been active in the ACP on both the state and in the past national level for about 25 years with an interest in legislative affairs. He is the alternate representative of Worcester Dist. Medical Soc. to the Committee on Legislation of the Massachusetts Medical Society. Dr. Lebow is Chief of Internal Medicine at Harrington where he has occasionally moonlighted as a hospitalist. Another role is being the medical director of his local nursing home where he manages over one hundred patients with the help of a wonderful NP, Beth Connell. Dr Lebow is on the board of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island American Medical Directors Association. Dr Lebow is affiliated with the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

Before medical school, he graduated from SUNY at Brooklyn, Bob taught elementary education for seven years - he was licensed to teach elementary school and high school physics and chemistry. During at least one summer he drove a taxicab part time in New York City. Dr Lebow is fluent in Spanish.

Dr. Lebow is active in Massachusetts Medical Society. He represents the ACP of the state to the MMS House of Delegates. One of his functions is representing the MMS to the MassHealth Payment Policy Advisory Board (Medicaid); he was appointed by former Gov D Patrick. Dr. Lebow is particularly interested in advocating for small practices. Dr. Lebow is and has been active as Treasurer of the Worcester District Medical Society for about ten years.

Daniel Levy, MD, PhD is a full-time primary care internist at the Northampton VA. He was originally trained in cell biology, but has spent most of his career in community oriented primary care, serving as Director of Medical Education at Tuba City Indian Medical Center, Medical Director of Springfield Southwest Community Health Center, Chief of Medicine at Holyoke Hospital, Director of Hospital Medicine at Cooley Dickinson Hospital, and Chief of Medicine at the Northampton VA. His interests are in international health, health care access, diabetes epidemiology and, of course, the primary care crisis.

Student Member – Abraham Lin is a medical student at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. Prior to starting medical school, he spent nearly a decade building medical software to streamline and improve clinical workflows, first at Massachusetts General Hospital and then at a healthcare IT startup in downtown Boston. At the University of Massachusetts Medical School, Abraham co-leads the Internal Medicine Interest Group as well as the Worcester Free Clinic Coalition, which coordinates the activities of five free clinics based in the Greater Worcester area. He also co-leads elective courses on leadership and on substance use disorders. His interests include healthcare IT, quality improvement, access to care, leadership in medicine, and medical education.

Judith A. Melin, M.A., M.D., FACP practices internal medicine at Lahey Health. At the national level, her experience has included participation on the American Hospital Association (AHA) MACRA Advisory Group, AHA Committee on Clinical Leadership and Physician Leadership Forum, National Quality Forum Steering and Technical Advisory Committees, and the design/development team for 'Bridges to Excellence'. These and other experiences have given her a national perspective on health care quality and measurement of physician practices and hospitals.

In Massachusetts, her service has included membership on the Leadership Committee of Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Greater Boston's Aligning Forces for Quality, the Steering Committee of the Eastern Massachusetts Healthcare Initiative, and Chief Medical Officer/Medical Directors Committees at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare, and Tufts Health Plans. She has served on the Massachusetts Health Quality Partners (MHQP) Board of Directors, Massachusetts e-Health Collaborative task forces, and clinical quality committees at the Massachusetts Medical Society and the Massachusetts Hospital Association.

At Lahey Health, Dr. Melin served as a founding board member of the Lahey Clinical Performance Accountable Care Organization (ACO) and the Medical Services Organization

(MSO). She served on the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of Lahey Clinic and on the Board of Governors of Lahey Clinic, and in successive leadership positions including Chief Medical Services Officer at Lahey Clinic and Associate Chief Quality Officer of Lahey Hospital and Medical Center.

Her work has included programs to achieve success in PQRS, HEDIS, and Bridges to Excellence, and design/ development of systems and information technology solutions for nationally recognized measures of ambulatory and hospital quality for individual physicians, group practices, hospitals and integrated delivery networks.

Dr. Melin received her bachelor's degree with high honors from Harvard College, a concurrent Master's degree in Chemistry from Harvard University, her MD degree from Yale Medical School, completed Internal Medicine residency at University Hospital, and graduated from the Radcliffe Seminars Graduate Management Certificate Program. She is Board Certified in Internal Medicine, serves as a Deputy Editor at UpToDate, and practices general internal medicine.

James O'Connell, MD, FACP graduated from Harvard Medical School in 1982 and completed a residency in Internal Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH). In 1985, Dr. O'Connell began fulltime clinical work with homeless individuals as a founding physician of the Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program (BHCHP), which now serves over 12,000 homeless persons each year in two hospital-based clinics (Boston Medical Center and MGH) and in more than 45 shelters and outreach sites in Boston.

With his colleagues, Dr. O'Connell established the nation's first medical respite program for homeless persons in the Lemuel Shattuck Shelter in 1985. This innovative program now provides acute and sub-acute, pre- and post-operative, and palliative and end-of-life care in BHCHP's 104-bed Barbara McInnis House. Working with the MGH Laboratory of Computer Science, Dr. O'Connell implemented the nation's first computerized medical record for a homeless program in 1995. From 1989 until 1996, Dr. O'Connell served as the National Program Director of the Homeless Families Program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Dr. O'Connell is the editor of *The Health Care of Homeless Persons: A Manual of Communicable Diseases and Common Problems in Shelters and on the Streets*. His articles have appeared in the New England Journal of Medicine, the Journal of the American Medical Association, Circulation, the American Journal of Public Health, the Journal of Clinical Ethics, and several other medical journals. His book, *Stories from the Shadows: Reflections of a Street Doctor*, was published in 2015 and featured on NPR's Fresh Air with Terry Gross. He has received numerous awards, including the Albert Schweitzer Humanitarian Award in 2012 and The Trustees' Medal at the bicentennial celebration of MGH in 2011. Dr. O'Connell is president of BHCHP and an assistant professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School.

Stephen G Pauker, MD, MACP, FACC, ABMH, is an internist, cardiologist and clinical hypnotherapist. He is professor of medicine and psychiatry at Tufts. Dr. Pauker has been a member of the Governor's Council since 1995 and served the College as Governor from

Massachusetts and as a Regent for six years. Dr. Pauker is boarded in internal medicine, cardiology and medical hypnosis. He is a member of the American Board of Clinical Hypnosis and is president-elect of the Society of Clinical and Experimental Hypnosis. Dr. Pauker is a member of the Institute of medicine, the Association of American Physicians and the American Society for Clinical Investigation. He was a founding member of the Society for Medical Decision Making and recipient of their career achievement award as well as the analogous award from the Society for Clinical and Translational Science. Dr. Pauker practices internal medicine, cardiology, and medical hypnotherapy at Tufts Medical Center.

Michael Rosenblum, MD, FACP, a primary care internist and medical educator, had his initial exposure to medicine as a Paramedic covering the Times Square area during the AIDS epidemic and crack cocaine era. He graduated from Albany Medical College in 1999 and did his postgraduate training and Chief Residency at Baystate Medical Center. He completed a Hartford Faculty Scholar program at the Boston University School of Medicine Center of Excellence for Geriatric Medicine in 2006.

In 2018, Michael developed a novel internal medicine residency as Program Director and Designated Institutional Official at Mercy Medical Center in Springfield. He was at Baystate Medical Center for close to twenty great years as a clinician-educator, health center medical director and as an associate professor of medicine at University of Massachusetts Medical School-Baystate and Director of the Baystate internal medicine residency programs.

Michael was named Baystate Outstanding Teacher of the Year in 2005-2006, received multiple teaching awards from Tufts University School of Medicine and has presented more than 50 educational abstracts and workshops at regional, national and international conferences. In 2009, he received the Award for Excellence for Programmatic Innovation from the Association of Program Directors in Internal Medicine. He is currently a Professor at Mercy Medical Center – Trinity Health Of New England in the Department of Medicine of the Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine at Quinnipiac University.

Michael is an active member of the ACP reviewing abstracts at the regional and national level. He has contributed to the development of mentorship programs and career development panels as well as participating as a poster judge at the annual ACP meeting. Michael was selected as the MA ACP Laureate award winner in 2017.

Michael was named Co-Chair for Innovations in Medical Education for the Society of General Internal Medicine (SGIM) National Conference in 2013 and is a founding member of the SGIM TEACH faculty development certificate program. He is past Chair for the national SGIM Education Committee and is the New England SGIM President-Elect for 2018.

Michael was the keynote speaker for the Massachusetts Medical Society (MMS) International Medical Graduate Section in 2017 where he presented "The Impact of Immigration Law on Graduate Medical Education and Patient Care" and is currently Chair of the MMS Education Committee.

Michael is an innovator at heart. He thrives on exploring educational and patient delivery models to improve medical education and patient care. He approaches each day as an opportunity to learn and grow alongside his learners. He has been nationally recognized for his work around competency-based education, the dynamic balance of supervision and autonomy and the development of innovative and supportive models of education and patient care.

He is a "teacher's teacher" in his exceptional ability to mentor students, residents, advanced practitioners and faculty. Faculty that have worked alongside him are eager to become leaders in medical education and their growth is continuously fostered by his sponsorship, role modeling and encouragement. Setting others up for success and building a strong foundation for the future of healthcare education and patient care are central tenets to his philosophy. Michael lives in western MA with his family. He has completed Tough Mudder's alongside his residents, and enjoys travel, biking and running.

Fatima Cody Stanford, MD, MPH, MPA, FAAP, FTOS is an Instructor of Medicine and Pediatrics at Harvard Medical School and Assistant in Medicine and Pediatrics at Massachusetts General Hospital. At Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH), she is an obesity medicine physician scientist for children, adolescents, and adults, Associate at the Disparities Solution Center, and Affiliated Faculty at the Mongan Institute of Health Policy. At the MGH Weight Center, she provides behavioral, pharmacologic, and bariatric surgery pre-and post-op care. She is one of a handful of clinician's fellowship trained in obesity medicine in the United States. She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Obesity Medicine and a Fellow of The Obesity Society. Dr. Stanford received her BS and MPH from Emory University, MD from the Medical College of Georgia School of Medicine, and her MPA from the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government where she was a Zuckerman Fellow. She served as a health communications fellow at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and worked as a behavioral sciences intern at the American Cancer Society. Upon completion of her MPH, she received the Gold Congressional Award, the highest honor that Congress bestows upon America's youth. Dr. Stanford has completed a medicine and media internship at the Discovery Channel and has authored a USMLE Step 1 medical review text. An American Medical Association (AMA) Foundation Leadership Award recipient in 2005, an AMA Paul Ambrose Award for national leadership among resident physicians in 2009, she was selected for the AMA Inspirational Physician Award in 2015.

Dr. Stanford completed her internal medicine and pediatrics residency at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine/Palmetto Health. She completed her three-year obesity medicine and nutrition fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School. In 2012, she was selected as a White House Fellows Regional Candidate. She has served as the socio-medical affairs officer for the World Medical Association Junior Doctors Network executive board where she co-wrote the World Medical Association policy on physician wellbeing that was adopted at their annual meeting in Moscow, Russia in 2015. The American College of Physicians selected her as the 2013 recipient of the Joseph E. Johnson Leadership

Award, an award presented to the Associate member of the College who has demonstrated qualities that exemplify the College's mission "to enhance the quality and effectiveness of health care by fostering excellence and professionalism in the practice of medicine". She is one of the inaugural members of the national ACP Advisory Delegate Board.

Additionally, she is the 2015 recipient of the MA ACP Young Leadership Award. Her current research focuses on obesity, health disparities, and health policy. She is widely published in peer reviewed journals such as *Circulation*, in popular press outlets such as the NY Times, and as a featured expert on numerous broadcast television outlets. She served as the keynote speaker on obesity for the AMA House of Delegates prior to their decision to acknowledge obesity as a chronic disease at their 2013 meeting, and she is an at-large delegate for the AMA Minority Affairs Section. Dr. Stanford teaches medical students, residents, and fellows at Harvard Medical School. In 2014, she was selected for the Certificate of Excellence in Tutoring for her instruction in the Harvard Medical School Health Policy New Pathway Course.

Most recently, Dr. Stanford was selected for the Harvard Medical School Harold Amos Diversity Award (2017) and the Massachusetts Medical Society Women's Health Award (2017).

Nii Tetteh, MD, MS, FAAP, FACP, Co-Chair, Early Career Physician Council is a staff Internist and Pediatrician at the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH). He works at the outpatient Medical Walk-In and also attends on the Teaching Hospitalist service(s) at MGH. Dr. Tetteh holds degrees in Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry, and International Studies from Yale. He completed his MD degree at Harvard Medical School with honors in research, and then completed his residency in the Harvard Combined Internal Medicine-Pediatrics Residency Program. He has since been a member of the MGH professional staff, serving as an Assistant Physician at MGH and a Clinical Instructor in Medicine at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Tetteh serves on the Admissions and Curriculum committees at Harvard Medical School, in the division of Health Sciences and Technology (HST). His clinical interests include Global Health, with medical travels to countries such as South Africa, Angola, Ghana, and India. Other professional interests include care of the underserved, intermediate medical technology application in developing countries, and clinical skills instruction. He is a member of the Society for General Internal Medicine (SGIM), and the American Academy of Pediatrics. (AAP). Dr. Tetteh also serves on the executive committee of the Ghana Physicians and Surgeons Foundation (GPSF) of North America, serving as the organization's Treasurer from 2009-2012 and Director of Information Technology from 2012-2015. He has been a council member on the Early Career Physicians (ECP) Council of the Massachusetts chapter of the ACP for the past 4 years.

Orlando Torres, MD is the Medical Director at Baystate High Street Health Center - Adult Medicine (BHS HC-A) in Springfield, MA. BHS HC-A is an Academic Health Center serving over 9,000 adults and nearly 50,000 visits per year. It is also the primary training site for Baystate's Internal Medicine Residency and Bay Path's Physician Assistant Programs. BHS HC-A was recognized as a NCQA PCMH Level 3 site under his leadership in 2013. In addition to being board certified in ABIM-Internal Medicine, Dr. Torres holds a Master of Science Degree in Biomedical Engineering, is certified as an Engineer-In-Training (EIT) - the first step in becoming

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