



ACP is committed to supporting you and the internal medicine community during these challenging times by developing and frequently updating practical tools and information, and vigorously advocating to address the needs of ACP members and their patients during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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### Latest COVID-19 Resources

#### **COVID-19: An ACP Physician's Guide** *(Updated April 2, 2020)*

Frequently updated online, mobile-friendly clinical overview of infection control and patient management guidance. Recent updates include respirator decontamination and reuse guidance, information about viral testing diagnostic accuracy, a screening tool, and protocols on co-venting in crisis situations.

[Access the Physician's Guide.](#)

#### **COVID-19 Practice Management Resources** *(Updated April 1, 2020)*

New resources to support members and their practices, including:

- **Coding and Billing for both Telehealth and Telephone Calls**—guidelines for using CPT and ICD10 codes, modifiers, allowed technologies, testing, and more
- **Payer Policies**—information about payer and state-specific policy updates and flexibilities related to phone calls, testing, cost sharing, prescriptions, and enrollment
- **Practice Financial & Management Issues**—tips for accessing financial assistance, managing personnel shortages, and other issues

[View practice resources.](#)

#### **Latest Advocacy from ACP**

ACP continues to urge federal, state, and local authorities to ensure that there is an adequate supply and distribution of personal protection equipment (PPE) for all physicians and health care workers, and continues to advocate for direct support and appropriate regulatory relief for members and their practices. ACP has issued new policies and statements on:

- [Physicians bringing their own PPE and speaking out regarding conditions related to COVID-19](#)
- [Non-discrimination in the stewardship and allocation of resources](#)
- [Harassment and violence based on race or ethnic origin](#)
- [Social distancing during COVID-19](#)
- [Nonurgent in-person medical care](#)

ACP supports CMS' decision to begin paying physicians for telephone patient visits, among other changes to the CARES Act, and developed a [summary of the impact the CMS rule will have on internists](#).

[See how ACP is advocating for you and your patients.](#)

### **Lastest COVID-19 Content from *Annals of Internal Medicine***

*Annals* is publishing a growing collection of COVID-19 related articles freely available to the public. The latest content includes three commentaries, a research article, a podcast, and two personal essays authored by physicians. Two articles caution the use of hydroxychloroquine to fight COVID-19 in the absence of conclusive research.

- [Experts urge anxious clinicians and patients to wait for data on hydroxychloroquine](#)
- [What every clinician should know about the use of hydroxychloroquine during the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

[View the \*Annals\* collection.](#)

### **Webinar: COVID-19 Advice and Support from Internists on the Front Lines**

View a recorded webinar about lessons learned and best practices from the inpatient and outpatient front lines of the COVID-19 global pandemic.

[Watch recording.](#)

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## Thank You, Internists.

Internists are on the front lines of this unprecedented public health crisis, vital to those in need. [View a message](#) from **ACP President Dr. Robert M. McLean, MD, MACP.**

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Check ACP's COVID-19 Resource Hub for additional tools and updated information.

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