Dear Colleagues,

We have just concluded our annual meeting at the Grand Traverse Resort with over 530 physicians, residents, and students in attendance to participate in an excellent program. We have again been fortunate to have a superb program committee led by Drs. Leonard Johnson, Stephanie Czarnik, and Aimee Espinosa. Our student program was chaired by Dr. Sarah Hartley who along with her committee put together another outstanding program for the students. We were again fortunate to enjoy the support of the Michigan Chapter of the Society of Hospital Medicine and appreciated working with their President, Dr. Anita Hart. Although this is my last annual meeting to serve as your Governor, I do plan on continuing to support our Governor Elect, Dr. Martha Gray in her activities in the years to come.

It has been my honor and privilege to serve as the Michigan Chapter Governor for the American College of Physicians for these last four years. The ACP Mission Statement expresses that “Our goal is to enhance the quality and effectiveness of healthcare by fostering excellence and professionalism in the practice of medicine through public policy advocacy. Furthermore, to work toward a healthcare delivery system that delivers care to the public in an efficient, compassionate, and equitable fashion.” This past year our College has worked very hard towards achieving the goals of this mission statement.

We have advocated for a nondiscrimination policy permitting physicians, residents, and medical students to continue to enter the United States and travel to their homeland. We have expressed concern that the immigration policy changes that have been proposed will hinder travel by physicians and exacerbate a public health crisis for refugees. In an October issue of the Annals of Internal Medicine there was an article by Dr. Khullar and colleagues from Harvard Medical School in which the authors pointed out that nearly one fifth of all professors in the United States, all publications, and all clinical trials were conducted by foreign medical graduates. The authors indicated that physicians educated abroad and working in the United States play a critical role in promoting and maintaining America’s biomedical competitiveness. In the week of October 13, 2017, the American College of Physicians joined with our colleagues in the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American Academy Pediatrics, American Congress of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and the American Osteopathic Association who opposed the recent decision to abruptly take away financial support that assists low income families in purchasing healthcare coverage. The decision to discontinue cost sharing reduction payments stands to hurt the most vulnerable individuals and families, raising cost for them and the federal government.
This action by the American College of Physicians has clearly been part of our position to deliver healthcare in an equitable fashion.

There are many other positions that the College has taken positions on in terms of the graduate medical education load forgiveness and the opioid crisis just to name a few. The College continues to advocate for those issues that will assure quality and efficient health care along with the high professional standards that we have stood for.

At our Chapter Meeting this year we had two outstanding named lectures. Dr. George Abraham gave the Park Willis lecture and emphasized the importance of physician well-being and the role that the College is playing in addressing this very important area. He reminded us that it is not enough for us to care only for the patients but rather we need to care for the caregivers also. Dr. John Ayanian, our Boy Frame lecturer, talked about the continuing challenge of healthcare reform and the economic impact of this area. This is an issue that is affecting all of us and will continue to evolve.

Last, I would like to recognize the most recently elected Master’s of our Chapter. In 2018 we have three new Masters including Dr. Henry Bone from St. John Hospital and Medical Center, Dr. Joel Howell from the University of Michigan, and Dr. Robert Smith from Michigan State University. Over the last six years our Chapter has nominated and had elected 16 outstanding physicians who have been named Masters of the American College of Physicians. This is a tribute to the outstanding efforts of our Awards Committee that is currently chaired by Dr. Sam Silver as well as the national eminence that exists among physicians in the state of Michigan.

I would also like to thank all of you who have served as part of our Chapter for this last year in many capacities that included reviewing and judging abstracts, speaking at our meetings, and encouraging physicians to attend the educational activities of the Michigan Chapter. I wish you all a blessed holiday season and look forward to working with you in 2018.

Kindest regards,

Louis Saravolatz
Louis D Saravolatz, MD, MACP, FIDSA
Governor, Michigan Chapter
American College of Physicians
## UPCOMING MEETING EVENTS

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Residents Winners:

1st Place
Oral – Clinical Vignette
Dr. Aditya Kotecha
Sinai Grace – DMC
“Metachronous Inflammatory Pseudotumor of the Lungs, Calvarium and the Meninges due to IgG4 Related Disease”

2nd Place
Oral – Clinical Vignette
Dr. Adrian Mercado-Alamo
Beaumont Hospital – Royal Oak
“Central Nervous System Vasculitis? Better Reverse the Course”

3rd Place
Oral – Clinical Vignette
Dr. Rebecca Chacko
Beaumont Hospital – Royal Oak
“That’s Nuts!: Acquired Peanut Allergy Following Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant”

1st Place
Oral – Research
Dr. Jason Mouabbi
St. John Hospital and Medical Center
“Neutrophil-to-Lymphocyte Ratio and Platelet-to-Lymphocyte Ratio as Predictive Markers for Unprovoked Deep Vein Thrombosis”

2nd Place
Oral – Research
Dr. Aaron Fisher
Beaumont Hospital – Royal Oak
“Appropriate Treatment of Clostridium difficile in Patients with Active Malignancy”

3rd Place
Oral – Research
Dr. Shaiva Ginoya Meka
Beaumont Hospital – Royal Oak
“To Biopsy or Not to Biopsy: Risk of Surgical Lung Biopsy in Patients with Honeycombing on Chest Imaging”

1st Place
Poster – Clinical Vignette
Dr. Hassan Ali
St. John Hospital Providence
“The Troponin Masquerade”
2nd Place
Poster – Clinical Vignette
Dr. Anfal Fahim
Sinai Grace - DMC
“Left Atrioesophageal Fistula with Cerebral Air Embolism – A Devastating Complication of Atrial Fibrillation Ablation”

3rd Place
Poster – Clinical Vignette
Dr. Qunfang Li
Allegiance Health
“Extra-hepatic Presentations as B Cell NHL and Cryoglobulinemic MPGN in Hepatitis C”

3rd Place
Poster – Clinical Vignette
Dr. Azra Niaz
Beaumont - Dearborn
“Factor V Leiden Mutation and Arterial Thromboembolism: An Evidence-Based Review”

3rd Place
Poster – Clinical Vignette
Dr. Lauren Lamie
Western Michigan University School of Medicine
“Atypical Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome: A Typical Presentation of a Rare, Devastating Disease”

3rd Place
Poster – Clinical Vignette
Dr. Prashant Patel
Western Michigan University School of Medicine
“Wait and Watch: A Case of Regressing Iatrogenic Solid Tumors Following Medication Cessation”

1st Place
Poster – Research
Dr. Ajit Thakur
Sinai Grace – DMC
“Tissue Engineering Human Cells for Allogenic Transplantation”

2nd Place
Poster – Research
Dr. Rami Zein
St. John Hospital and Medical Center
“The Association of Clinical and Echocardiographic Findings with New Onset Heart Failure with Reduced Ejection Fraction”

3rd Place
Poster – Research
Dr. Malav Parikh
Henry Ford Health System
“Inconsistency of Recording Vital Signs as it Relates to the Modified Early Warning Score (MEWS)"

**Overall Winner – Oral or Poster**

*CQI/EBM*

Dr. Chris Jacob

Western Michigan University School of Medicine

“Evaluation of the Impact of a Pharmacist-Driven Termination Protocol to Limit Inappropriate Use of Acid Suppressing Medications”

Medical Student Winners:

1st Place Medical Student

*Research/CQI/EBM*

Stephanie Saravolatz

“Use of Antidepressants is Associated with Improved HIV Treatment Compliance”

Wayne State University School of Medicine

2nd Place Medical Student

*Research/CQI/EBM*

Haben Debessai

Expert Opinions on Access to Healthcare for Immigrants

Michigan State University - College of Human Medicine

3rd Place Medical Student

*Research/CQI/EBM*

Meri Muminovic

Effectiveness of Prophylactic Antibiotics in Mechanically Ventilated Comatose Patients

American University of the Caribbean, School of Medicine

1st Place Medical Student

*Clinical Vignette*

Jorge Suening

Incidental Finding of Adult Extra-Cardiac Rhabdomyoma after Resection of a Spindle-Cell Lipoma

Ross University School of Medicine

2nd Place Medical Student

*Clinical Vignette*

Sarah Keene

Cutaneous Geotrichosis due to Geotrichum Candidum in a Burn Patient

Wayne State University School of Medicine

3rd Place Medical Student

*Clinical Vignette*

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Between a Hard and Stiff Place: A Suspected Case of Stiff-Person Syndrome

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Going to IM 2018 in New Orleans!

Central Michigan University Team: Dr. Srinandan Guntupalli, Dr. Rex Roda, Dr. Angad Parmer

Attendings vs Residents DD Competition:
Dr. Francisco Davila – Moderator
Dr. Diane Levine, Dr. David Scrase, Dr. Mark Loehrke – Attendings
CMU Team - Residents
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Dr. Joel Howell - University of Michigan

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Pictures from the Fall Chapter Meeting

Dr. Louis Saravolatz, Governor, Dr. Martha Gray, Governor-Elect, Dr. George Abraham, Chair-Elect, Board of Governors

Medical Student Program – Dr. Sarah Hartley, Chair, Medical Student Committee, Dr. Sean Drake, Henry Ford Hospital, Lecturer

Large Lecture

Residents – Poster Abstract Competition, Dr. Juliette Perzhinsky, Assistant Program Director, CMU

Fall Chapter Meeting Program Directors, Dr. Leonard Johnson, Dr. Stephanie Czarnik, Dr. Aimee Espinosa, Dr. Sarah Hartley, with Dr. Louis Saravolatz

One of Many Chapter Awards – Great Internist of Michigan, Dr. Louis Saravolatz, Dr. Martha Gray, Dr. Samuel Silver, Chair, Awards Committee