Dear Colleagues: Thank you for your membership in ACP. Here is a brief list of alerts, resources and upcoming events.

**Novel Coronavirus Updates from Minnesota and ACP**

- MN Department of Health expects to receive approval for in-state testing for COVID-19 later this week. For more [Minnesota Department of Health information](#)

- If you are a MN health professional evaluating a patient for suspected COVID-19, please contact the Minnesota Department of Health immediately at **651-201-5414**

- An excellent podcast, “[Coronavirus: What the Clinician Needs to Know](#),” was produced by Core IM in collaboration with ACP and is available now

- ACP members and non-members are invited to access [COVID-19 information](#). CME/MOC credit is available. The ACP resources are frequently updated “Novel Coronavirus: A Physician's Guide”

**Minnesota Legislative Session-Advocacy Action/ Updates**

- MN-ACP has hired MN Medical Association as our legislative monitor after reviewing proposals from 3 organizations. Watch for biweekly MN legislative updates from MN-ACP and information/action you can take to support health policy priorities and advocacy. Also consider signing up for the ACP Advocates for Internal Medicine Network [here](#)

- MN-ACP was a co-sponsor of an event with the Minnesota Medical Association. Information on [Public Health Insurance Option proposals from other states and impact on physicians and patients](#). Visit the [MN-ACP advocacy web page](#) for information on the Public Health Insurance Option and what other states have learned.

**ACP Leadership Programs Available in Hospital Medicine or Primary Care**

In partnership with the American Association for Physician Leadership, the ACP Leadership Academy offers a flexible, 18-month-long [Certificate in Physician Leadership](#) program with tracks in Hospital Medicine and Primary Care. The program includes a combination of formal training through 46.5 hours of online coursework, online group discussions facilitated by leaders in internal medicine, and a capstone project that demonstrates successful mastery of leadership concepts. Participants may apply online by **May 1, 2020** to enroll in the cohorts that begin work in July 2020. This program offers exclusive training by leadership experts and important career-building skills. In addition, ACP provides participants with access to a number of professional development and membership engagement opportunities. If you have any questions, please [contact](#)

**ACP Leadership Day in Washington**

The 28th annual Leadership Day on Capitol Hill will be held on **May 12-13, 2020** at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel in Washington, DC. Registration is now open for Leadership Day 2020. [Register](#)
Online Now. A $25 registration fee will be charged to attendees at the time of registration, with the exception of medical student and resident/fellows in-training members, who are exempt. The deadline to register is April 19, 2020.

Upcoming events:
March 3, 2020- I.M. on Tap in Rochester at Forager Brewing in "The Pantry" with Dr. Tom Jaeger from Mayo on "Lessons learned from difficult patients" register/info
March 4, 2020- 1-4pm Day at the Capitol, co-sponsored by MN-ACP with MMA, Info
April 24, 2020- 6:00pm MN-ND-SD chapters of ACP and Mayo Alumni reception, at LA Live in Los Angeles, CA Information
May 12-13, 2020- ACP Leadership Day in Washington DC. Information
October 14, 2020- I.M. on Tap at Kieran's with Jacob Meyer, PhD from Iowa State on "Endocannabinoids, exercise and depression: Using the runners high to treat depression"
Nov. 5-6, 2020- Minnesota Internal Medicine:2020 Scientific Session at the Minneapolis Convention Center Information

How can we better serve you? Please contact me with questions or thoughts on how the MN-ACP can serve you. David Hilden, MD, MPH, FACP Governor, MN ACP

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