The 2018 awards ceremony will honor five Utah Chapter member: Kathleen Cooney, MD MACP is being recognized for her extraordinary service in medicine with advancement to ACP Mastership; Karli Edholm, MD FACP is being presented with the Laureate Award for her commitment to excellence in medical care and in service to the community; Adam Spivak, MD is being presented with the C. DuWayne Schmidt Community Service Award for his distinguished humanitarianism and voluntary contributions in medicine and the Utah ACP; and Eric Moore, MD [R] and Anish Bhatnagar [MS] are being recognized for their demonstrated commitment to excellence in medical care, their chapter, and the ACP.

Mastership in the American College of Physicians

ACP Masters have been awarded this extreme honor after being nominated by their peers and then vetted through the Awards Committee for selection due to the excellence and significance of their contributions to medicine as well as their involvement in ACP. Masters are nominated for their for their personal character, positions of honor, contributions toward furthering the purposes of the ACP, eminence in practice or in medical research, or other attainments in science or in the art of medicine. A limited number of Masters are awarded each year.

About Kathleen Cooney, MD MACP

Dr. Kathleen Cooney is the H.A. and Edna Benning Presidential Endowed Professor and Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine at the University of Utah School of Medicine. She is a medical oncologist focused in caring for men with prostate cancer. Dr. Cooney is internationally known for her investigations focused on the genetic epidemiology of prostate cancer. Her research led to the important discovery of a recurrent mutation in the HOXB13 gene that increases the chances of being diagnosed with prostate cancer and is estimated to account for 5 percent of hereditary prostate cancer cases worldwide. Since men with HOXB13 mutations are at an increased risk of prostate cancer, they may benefit from participation in screening and potentially prevention protocols in the future. Dr. Cooney’s research continues with federal funding to identify germline mutations associated with lethal and aggressive prostate cancer as well as prostate cancer in African American men.

Dr. Cooney received her MD from the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine in Philadelphia, and completed her training in Internal Medicine and Hematology/Oncology at the University of Michigan. She previously served for nearly 10 years as the Division Chief of Hematology/Oncology and Deputy Director of the Comprehensive Cancer Center at the University of Michigan. At Utah, Dr. Cooney has been committed to growing the clinical mission of the department while simultaneously investing in research. She is an avid teacher and mentor, and continues to influence many clinical and laboratory trainees as well as faculty.
Laureate Award

The Laureate Award honors Fellows and Masters of the College who have demonstrated by their example and conduct an abiding commitment to excellence in medical care, education, or research and in service to their community, their Chapter, and the American College of Physicians.

About Karli Edholm, MD, FACP

Karli Edholm, MD, FACP is a first generation college graduate who was raised in Southern California. She went to medical school and completed her Internal Medicine Residency at OHSU in Portland, OR. She then worked as a hospitalist at a small community hospital in Maine for 3 years before joining the University of Utah faculty as an academic hospitalist in 2013.

Dr. Edholm’s clinical practice includes caring for adult patients with both acute and chronic illness who are admitted to the hospital with a variety of diagnoses. Her academic interests include quality improvement, patient safety, medical education, thrombosis, value-based care, and clinical care pathway redesign. She is an Assistant Professor of Medicine, the Inpatient Medical Director for General Internal Medicine, and the Director of Quality Improvement for the Hospitalist group, and is a fellow in the American College of Physicians.

She enjoys traveling, outdoor activities, and spending time with her husband and their young children. She will be moving with her family to Bozeman this summer.

C. DuWayne Schmidt Volunteerism & Community Service Award

The C. DuWayne Schmidt Volunteerism and Community Service Award was initiated to honor members of the Utah Chapter who have distinguished themselves in voluntary service in the area of medicine.

It is with distinct pleasure that the Utah Chapter honors Susan Berkebile, MD with the Utah Chapter C. DuWayne Schmidt Volunteerism and Community Service Award. Recipients of this award have distinguished themselves as true humanitarians to be honored for their voluntary contributions in medicine.

About Adam Spivak, MD

Dr. Spivak is from Baltimore, Maryland, and attended the University of Maryland School of Medicine. He joined the Division of Infectious Diseases at the University of Utah in October 2011 after completing Internal Medicine residency and Infectious Diseases fellowship at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Dr. Spivak spends the majority of his time conducting research into the nature of HIV persistence and strategies for viral eradication. In 2016, Dr. Spivak was selected by the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation to receive a Clinical Scientist Development Award that supports his current research developing novel strategies to eliminate the HIV latent reservoir.

Dr. Spivak cares for HIV patients as a member of the Clinic 1A staff at the University of Utah Hospital and attends on the inpatient Infectious Diseases consult service at both the University and VA Hospitals. Along with Susana Keeshin, an adult and pediatric Infectious Disease specialist at the University of Utah, Dr. Spivak is co-founder of the PrEP Community Clinic. This new University of Utah clinic is partnered with the Utah AIDS Foundation and the Utah Department of Health, and will provide HIV prevention services, STD testing and treatment free of charge for members of our community who are uninsured or under-insured and are at risk of HIV acquisition. The PrEP Community Clinic is only the second free HIV prevention clinic in the United States.
Resident/Fellow and Medical Student Awards

This award is designed to recognize the work of Resident/Fellow and Medical Student members who demonstrate a commitment to excellence in medical care, their chapter, and the ACP.

About Eric Moore, MD

Eric was raised in Vancouver, Canada and attended on the University of Victoria as an undergraduate. He went on to medical school at the University of Queensland in Brisbane, Australia. Following medical school, Eric trained in internal medicine at the University of Utah. Eric is currently one of the chief medical residents. Eric enjoys working with and teaching residents and students. Starting in July 2018 Eric will be joining the Salt Lake Valley Hospitalist Group with Intermountain Healthcare.

Eric is the proud new father of a baby girl. He enjoys skiing, hiking and biking in his spare time.

About Anish Bhatnagar

Anish Bhatnagar is a fourth year medical student applying into Internal Medicine. Originally born in Maryland, he has spent most of his childhood and young adult life in Utah, and considers himself a Utah native. Here, he became a distinguished Eagle Scout and graduated from the International Baccalaureate program at Hillcrest High School. Prior to attending the University of Utah School of Medicine, he completed a Bachelor of Science in Molecular and Cellular Biology at the Johns Hopkins University.

As a medical student, Anish has held the position of Co-President of the Internal Medicine Interest group, served as a representative on the class council throughout medical school, and is a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society. He is particularly interested in medical education, and has worked on various curriculum committees and subcommittees. His goal is to one day foster the same passion for medicine in future medical students that his mentors have done for him. Outside of school, Anish enjoys spending time with friends, reading comic books, and playing tennis.

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Nathan Allred, Yao Boateng, Claire Ciarkowski, Joshua Marr, Rachel Mitchell, Shiven Patel, and Clinton Sheffield

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