



Colleagues – Hope everyone is having a great summer so far! I wanted to share some ACP news and ask for your ideas and feedback on some important Chapter and national initiatives.

Today's Topics:

1. Chapter Meeting
2. Call for Committee help (Phone and email meetings only!)
3. Resolutions for your review
4. Diversity Policy (Draft)

First, our Annual Chapter Meeting on Friday, October 12, in scenic Stowe (at Trapp's) will be a great one – our brochure will be coming your way soon. This year, we will have CMEs and MOC points available.

Call for Committee Members! As you know we have a small Chapter and a few key Committees. There are a few areas where we could use some additional help.

- Awards Committee: Dr. Virginia Hood chairs our Awards committee. We would like to increase awards (local, national, and advancement to Fellowship). Meetings are few, electronic, or by phone. Anyone want to help Dr. Hood? We want to best recognize the achievements of physicians in our Chapter.
- Health and Public Policy Committee: Would anyone like to join this committee? I am chairing this and also serve as Vice-Chair of the national ACP Health and Public Policy Committee. Responsibilities would include reviewing the proposed ACP resolutions twice a year and providing feedback to our Chapter Council. I send these out to the entire membership and would appreciate regular review from some additional volunteers.
- Membership Committee: Dr. Alan Repp, our Governor-Elect, serves as Chair of this committee. If you have ideas and/or would like to join his committee, please let us know!

Resolutions: This is how the ACP sets Policy. The Board of Governors meets twice a year to debate/decide new resolutions that go to the ACP Board of Regents (thank you Dr. Levine!).

- Deadline for new resolutions for spring 2019 is early October. Does anyone see an area of need for a Vermont-sponsored resolution? There is a deliberate process (national ACP helps us) to craft these. Any and all ideas welcome – please send them my way and I will discuss with our Council.

- I have attached the resolutions that will be discussed at the September Board of Governor's meeting. Please email me with any feedback – Any you strongly support? Strongly oppose? Our Chapter Council will discuss these and we would really like your input on these by August 1.

We don't have a Diversity policy for our Chapter. I have attached a draft based on national ACP policy. Comments? Feedback? Please send me your thoughts directly.

Thanks to all. Please write me anytime with ideas for what our Chapter can do for you, your practice, and your patients. Have a great summer!

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Attachments:

NOTE: The links below will direct your browser to the location where the documents attached to this email have been posted.

[f18 resolutions - combined](#)

[Vermont Chapter ACP Diversity Policy Draft June 2018](#)