Dear ACP Wisconsin Chapter Member,

Yesterday was the 50th anniversary of the Medicare and Medicaid programs. I think that almost all of us are aware of the great benefits that our patients have realized from these programs compared to the situation that existed prior to the enactment of the legislation creating them. Click here for the press release from Dr. Wayne Riley, President of the American College of Physicians. I encourage you to read it and to share its message with your colleagues, your patients, and the public. It has been long been national ACP policy to advocate for continued improvement to access to health care for all members of our population, and I believe that we as a chapter also need to work to this end, particularly since Wisconsin is one of the states that has not seen expansion of Medicaid to serve a larger portion of our state’s population.

Sincerely,
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Governor, ACP Wisconsin Chapter