

Your Chapter in Action

July 31, 2013

EDUCATION

Mark Your Calendars - 2 Local **Educational Meetings Announced**

Planning has begun for the next round of fall local educational events known as "district meetings." These meetings are delivered in a variety of settings and focus on the specific needs and interests of the general and sub-specialty internist.

More meetings will be announced in the coming weeks and registration information will be sent to you as the dates approach.

If you are interested in learning more about how the Chapter develops its local educational programming, please contact Loretta Ponesse via email: Iponesse@nyacp.org

Thursday, September 12, 2013

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm New York Athletic Club

This Manhattan district meeting will cover multiple topics: (1) Vaccine to Prevent Herpes Zoster (2) State Legislative Update & Compliance with New State Mandate on Prescribing Controlled Substances and (3) Social Media in Healthcare

Tuesday, September 17, 2013

6:00 pm - 9:00pm Location to be Determined

This Queens district meeting will cover multiple topics on Transitions in Care: Legal, Medical and Ethical Considerations...(1) The Challenge of Making A Successful Transition of Care (2) Effective Approaches to Improving Patient Care and Experience During Transitions of Care and (3) Ethical Considerations in Transitions of Care

Visit http://www.nyacp.org/education for more details on educational events.

ADVOCACY

Preparing to Assist Your Patients on the New Health **Insurance Benefit Exchange**

The New York Health Benefit Exchange will officially open its doors on October 1, 2013.

Please join us for an opportunity to hear the latest on the implementation of the state's Exchange, and how physicians can best prepare to assist their patients in accessing this new marketplace for health insurance coverage.

The one hour webinar program specifically designed for physicians will take place on Wednesday, August 14, 2013 from 6:30 pm - 7:30pm and will feature a presentation by Donna Frescatore, Executive Director of the NY Health Benefit Exchange.

Space is Limited - We encourage members to visit the Chapter's website and reserve a spot today: http://www.nyacp.org/education

Advocacy in Action - General and Subspecialty Internal **Medicine Interests Represented** at Exclusive Meeting with **Health Commissioner**

Leaders of the Chapter met with New York State Health Commissioner Nirav Shah in mid-July to discuss significant issues facing our healthcare system including: the survival of small physician practices, team based care and reimbursement models; strategies for workforce development, recruitment and retention; concerns with I-STOP Act implementation; and promotion of research opportunities in New York.

QUALITY

Three New Quality and Patient Safety Articles Added to the **Members-Only Resource Library**

- 1.) Making HealthCare Safer II The aim of this project was to conduct and publish a systematic literature review evaluating the evidence for a large number of patient safety practices.
- 2.) Top Patient Strategies Based on evidence about patient safety interventions, AHRQ released a report that defines 10 strategies. If these strategies are widely implemented, they have the potential to improve patient safety and save lives in U.S. health care institutions.
- 3.) AHRQ Research Activities Findings and Reports - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) supports research designed to improve the quality, safety, efficiency, and effectiveness of health care for all Americans. The research sponsored, conducted, and disseminated by AHRQ provides information that helps people make better decisions about health care. The goal is to transform research into practice, improve outcomes and use the evidence to improve health care.

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