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| ***August  22, 2019***https://d3dkdvqff0zqx.cloudfront.net/groups/nyacp/images/scientific%20meeting%202.png****Is Your Practice Participating in a CMS Primary Care First Demonstration Program? If so, NYACP Would like to Hear from You!****In April 2019, CMS announced the creation of Primary Care First, a voluntary program designed to pilot innovative approaches in primary care focused on quality measures and shared risk payment models. Across the nation, only 26 regions are part of the pilot districts. Two of these areas are in NY including the greater Buffalo region and Hudson Valley/Capital District region. Primary Care First builds upon CMS’s Comprehensive Primary Care Plus (CPC+) program.In an effort to foster shared learning across our network of internists, NYACP is interested in hearing from members who are participating in CMS’s Primary Care First program. Please contact Heather Bennett at hbennett@nyacp.org or 518-427-0366 if you are in a Primary Care First program. New payment models testing value-based payments are transforming the healthcare landscape in NY. Help NYACP learn from the ground-up by sharing your experiences with CMS’s new programs, and connect with colleagues managing similar programs in their practices.https://d3dkdvqff0zqx.cloudfront.net/groups/nyacp/images/chhabra.jpg**NYACP Nominates Inderpal Chhabra, MD, FACP to New MSSNY Committee** Inderpal Chhabra, MD, FACP was recently nominated to serve as NYACP’s representative on MSSNY’s newly established “Scope of Practice Ad Hoc Committee”. This new committee will consist of MSSNY members and dual specialty society/MSSNY members, and it will expand upon an existing advocacy partnership to address numerous legislative bills that have the potential to endanger patients through inappropriate expansions in scope of practice by various non-physician practitioners.  Examples from recent years:* Allow podiatrists to treat up to a patient’s knee
* Permit independent practice for nurse anesthetists
* Permit optometrists to prescribe oral antibiotics
* Permit NP’s to enter into collaborative drug therapy protocols with pharmacists
* Enable dieticians/nutritionists to order lab tests
* Establish prescribing privileges to psychologists
* Permit corporately owned retail clinics staffed by NP’s
* Licensure for naturopaths
* Permit pharmacists to provide any immunization that has been recognized by ACIP

Initially, the committee will query specialty societies about specific scope of practice issues, work with MSSNY’s Legislative & Physician Advocacy Committee and legislative staff on allocating efforts to assist specialty societies in advocating for or against scope of practice concerns, and develop suggestions for public relations/social media/print material activity.  In addition, coordination with the AMA’s Scope of Practice Partnership (SOPP) and communicating the committee’s collective progress at annual meetings and advocacy events is being planned. **Host a ‘#ProudtobeGIM’ Event, Apply For Grant Funding**ACP is partnering with the Society of General Internal Medicine (SGIM) on [#ProudtobeGIM](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/Hnv4h0h0e4imx2VACTU6yQ), a nationwide campaign to introduce medical students and PGY 1-2 residents to the field of general internal medicine.Selected institutions will receive a $2,000 honorarium to host one or more local events aimed at encouraging medical students and early residents to enter the field. ACP and SGIM are partnering for the second year to broaden the scope of the campaign and encourage institutions to work alongside ACP chapters. The goal is to bring education about the field of general internal medicine to more students and residents during the coming year.Grant applications that include participation of a local ACP chapter and/or an SGIM member on the leadership team will be given preference over those that do not. Preference is also given to applications that show strong institutional support (e.g., matching funds, in-kind support).For more information and to a complete grant application, visit the program website: <https://www.sgim.org/career-center/proudtobegim>. The application deadline is September 20, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. ET. For inquiries about hosting an event, visit [sgim.org](https://www.sgim.org/career-center/proudtobegim/host-a-local-event).Contact Steve Majewski at smajewski@acponline.org with questions.**I Raise the Rates**Initiative to Raise the Adult Immunization Rates in Primary CareACP's Adult Immunization Resource Hub was developed as part of ACP’s I Raise the Rates initiative to assist physicians and their teams to assess, understand and improve adult immunization rates and patient outcomes in their clinical settings. I Raise the Rates is a collaborative, data-driven campaign to support patients, physicians, health care teams, systems, and communities in raising adult immunization rates and reducing vaccine preventable diseases. The program seeks to assist internists and other primary care providers in both understanding the immunization rates of their patients and making practice changes that promote immunizations.For additional information: <https://www.acponline.org/clinical-information/clinical-resources-products/adult-immunization/i-raise-the-rates>Funding for the I Raise the Rates program was made possible by Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), GlaxoSmithKline, Merck & Co., Inc., Pfizer, Inc. and Sanofi Pasteur Inc.**Education & Events****NYACP Annual Scientific Meeting**https://d3dkdvqff0zqx.cloudfront.net/groups/nyacp/images/poster%20example.jpg**Friday, Oct. 11 - Sat. Oct. 12, 2019**Hilton Westchester Hotel699 Westchester AvenueRye Brook, NY  10573[**Complete Details**](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/_hKbZoc505-dUhRb2QXZ4g)[**MOC Pre-Course Brochure - October 11, 2019**](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/HVwcKqgR6X3koKpQzgrVMQ)[Scientific Meeting Brochure- October 12, 2019](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/KlA8W2jLMIev18t7dUorHA)https://d3dkdvqff0zqx.cloudfront.net/groups/nyacp/images/registernowpic002.jpg  **1stAnnual International Geriatrics Symposium for the Primary Care Provider**Sponsored by Albany Medical College's Department of Medicine and the Office of Continuing Medical Education and McGill University Division of Geriatric Medicine and in collaboration with the New York Chapter American College of Physicians**September 18-20, 2019** - 8.5 AMA PRA Category I Credits™The Conference Center2608 Main Street • Lake Placid, NY 12946[**Event Brochure**](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/RWvxlrUMHGJAPIW17BK7hw) / [**Online Registration**](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/XE5aouCIrD0MUkFUIG7Y0A)**Current Topics in Primary Care and Neurology: Update for the Primary Care Practitioner**Provided by Albany Medical College in collaboration with the New York Chapter American College of Physicians**September 20-22, 2019 -** 12 AMA PRA Category I Credits™**The Conference Center**2608 Main Street • Lake Placid, NY 12946**Dietary and Lifestyle Strategies for Cardiovascular Risk Reduction**Jointly provided by NYU School of Medicine and the New York Chapter American College of Physicians**October 18, 2019** - 7.25 AMA PRA Category I Credits™NYU Langone Health - Alumni Hall550 First AvenueNew York, NY  10016 [Event Brochure](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/fjYtzjSUUYgfegli_4GHvA) • [Register Online](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/C4-dLMAxD6FX5AtKcy7qig)**14th Annual Mid-Atlantic Hospital Medicine Symposium**Jointly provided by Society of Hospital Medicine and the New York Chapter American College of Physicians**October 18-19, 2019 -** earn up 10.25 AMA PRA Category I Credits™Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai -1470 Madison AvenueNew York, NY  [Event Brochure](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/dcBc2Av_X4iNewA3BpxmIQ) • [Register Online](https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/68JzmfnNaYi-jsrRCKWeQQ)**Save the Dates!**https://d3dkdvqff0zqx.cloudfront.net/groups/nyacp/images/save-the-date-clipart-free-graphic-design-inspiration.jpg**NYACP Resident and Medical Student Forum** (Dr's Dilemma and poster competitions)**Saturday, February 29, 2020**Desmond Hotel660 Albany Shaker RoadAlbany, NY  12211**2020 NYACP Annual Scientific Meeting****Thursday, October 8- Friday, Oct. 9, 2020**Westchester Hilton Hotel699 Westchester AvenueRye Brook, New York  |

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