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Welcome Gabriela Bernal, MD

NYACP's Steven Walerstein, MD, MACP Advocacy Intern
February 2021

NYACP is pleased to welcome Gabriela Bernal, MD, a second year Resident at Mount Sinai, as our February 2021 Advocacy Intern! Gaby is working with the Chapter on a number of projects including a grant proposal to address vaccine hesitancy in underserved communities, advocacy for expanding telehealth modalities and securing payment parity, and researching how particular legislative proposals in NY align with ACP policy guidance. On behalf of NYACP's leadership, members and staff, welcome Gaby!



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COVID-19 Vaccination Distrust: How to Overcome Racial Disparities by Creating Trustworthy Institutions

By Gabriela Bernal, MD

As the COVID vaccine becomes more widely available, we will be increasingly faced with the question, "why are so many of our patients declining COVID vaccination?"

The answer is complex and lies at the intersection of racial disparities, health inequity and misinformation, as well as a history of mistreatment of Black and Latino populations.

Skepticism among these patients stems from an indelible history that continues to shape the way our communities view our healthcare system. In the 1940s, at the recommendation and funding of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and with the approval of the U.S. Surgeon General, the U.S. and Public Health Service used sex workers to expose prisoners in Guatemalan jails to sexually transmitted diseases without consent and often with active deceit. A decade later, in Puerto Rico, women from low-income communities were given birth control pills without being told they were part of a clinical trial. And until the 1970s, the U.S. Public Health Service, in what was an infamous violation of ethical standards, conducted the Tuskegee Study.

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Just Launched: Physician Spotlight Podcast

Andrew Coates, MD, FACP

NYACP's Medical Student Committee is creating podcasts focused on individual professional journeys in Internal Medicine. Andrew Coates, MD, FACP is our brave inaugural interviewee. Click below to hear Dr. Coates story about the challenges and opportunities he encountered along the way in his IM career. This is an engaging interview that unfolds in a storytelling format and will leave you anxiously awaiting our next podcast installment.

Available now at: nyacp.org/students

NYACP Fellow Appointed to ACP's Council of Resident/Fellow Members!

Roberto Cerrud-Rodriguez, MD, was recently elected to the board of the Council of Resident/Fellow Members (CRFM) at the American College of Physicians (ACP) for a two year term (2021-23). This high honor was bestowed on him after ACP invited Resident and Fellow members to submit their application. Dr. Cerrud-Rodriguez is the first New Yorker to be elected to such a position in many years. Due to his extensive academic activity and significant accomplishments, he was also appointed as the representative of the CRFM to ACP's Publication Committee .



Dr. Cerrud-Rodriguez is a proud alumnus of the IM program at St. Barnabas Hospital in The Bronx and is currently a general cardiology fellow at Montefiore Medical Center. He was recently selected among hundreds of candidates to pursue further training in interventional cardiology beginning in July 2022. Dr. Cerrud-Rodriguez has been an active member of the New York Chapter Residents/Fellow Committee since his internship (2016) and remains actively involved in the Chapter. Dr. Cerrud-Rodriguez also serves as an abstract reviewer for both the national and chapter ACP meetings. We wish him the best of luck in his new position!

New Job Posting!

CMIO Opportunity

Job Summary

Collaboratively develops and optimizes clinical information technology in the inpatient, ambulatory and community settings to support the delivery of patient care and facilitate clinician use; promotes the use of information technology and analytics in the clinical setting to improve patient safety, quality, efficient care delivery and regulatory compliance.

Primary Duties

Leads the design, development and optimization of clinical information systems that assist clinicians in the delivery of patient care in collaboration with physician, nursing and administrative leadership.

- Works in concert with clinical leadership to develop and optimize clinical workflows
- Lead an assessment of the current electronic health record (EHR)
- Responsible for optimization of systems that are used in the delivery or support of patient care; this includes system selection, implementation as well as enhancement and process improvement projects.
- Work in partnership with IT to enhance the patient experience for the patient and their family through the development of information systems such as patient portals and telemedicine
- Develops, implements and oversees the organization's systems which support the management of medical information.

Interested?

Contact: Tony Caponi- tcaponi@ghrtechnology.com

Now Available!

Recording from the February 2nd Women in Medicine Webinar Series Part I

A Cross Generational Discussion for Women in Medicine

The NYACP Early Career Physicians Task Force is hosting a four-part Women in Medicine Webinar Series, once per quarter in 2021. This series will be a platform for women physicians to share their voice, learn from healthcare leaders and work together in navigating the future for IM women physicians. In our first session, Dr. Darilyn Moyer, EVP/CEO American College of Physicians dove into a more diverse and equitable environment for women physicians.



[View Webinar Here](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Co-sponsored by: Northwell Health, Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell and NYACP

Calling all storytellers and members who like to hear stories!

Join us in a virtual Story Slam: Random Acts of Kindness
Thursday, February 11, 2021 • 6:00 - 7:30 PM

- Stories must be less than five minutes
- Open to: Medical Students, Residents, Fellows, Faculty and all NYACP Members



[All information found here](#)

[Register Here!](#)

ACP Webinar
Career Narrative Panel
Wednesday, February 17, 2021
3:00 - 4:00 pm



Doris Browne, MD, MPH Past President of the National Medical Association

Deidra C. Crews, MD, ScM, FASN, FACP Professor of Medicine, Division of Nephrology Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Ryan D. Mire, MD, FACP private practice internist in Nashville, TN Assistant Professor of Clinical Medical Education for the University of Tennessee College of Medicine President Elect Designee of the American College of Physicians

[Register Here](#)

Upcoming Webinar!

Management of Dementia Related Behaviors

Wednesday, March 17, 2021 • 7:00-8:00 PM • 1-Hour CME

Speaker: Alan Steinberg, MD - General Psychiatrist



Learning Objectives:

- (1) Describe common dementia related behaviors
- (2) Describe non-pharmacologic approach to dementia related behaviors
- (3) Describe pharmacologic approach to dementia related behaviors
- (4) Describe the medical scientific approach to "agitation"

Free Webinar for MAGS and NYACP Members / \$25.00 Non-Member Fee

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Just Announced!

NYACP Weekend Board Review

Friday, May 14 - Sunday, May 16, 2021

Earn up to 27 CME Credits and 27 MOC points!

Faculty:

Conrad Fischer, MD, FACP

Chris Paras, DO, FACP

Niket Sonpal, MD, FACP



[Program Details and Registration Information](#)