

June 10, 2021



### Presidents Message: Dr. Parag Mehta Celebrating Freedom: Juneteenth, D-Day and Pride Month

Congratulations to all graduating residents and fellows. I wish you all success in life. The key to success is having a dream and believing in yourself. Developing a better emotional intelligence can contribute to your mental and financial success. Emotional intelligence includes self-awareness, self-control, social awareness, and relationships. To be successful, you will also need to learn how to manage conflicts and deal with difficult people. Focus on knowledge and courage to survive and thrive in difficult times. As you are going out in the world, there will be times when things may not go your way, and you feel down. Remember that staying calm and thinking with positivity can bring you back.

Recently, Physician Assistants changed their title to Physician Associates. While the debate is ongoing, we need to come together to educate the people of this country about what it takes to be a physician. It takes 11-14 years to be a physician, comprised of four years of undergraduate and four years of graduate schools, followed by 3-4 years of residency and then 3-4 years of a fellowship. The cost of medical school could be \$250,000. We do believe in the role of team-based care.

[Read More](#)

### New York State Legislature is scheduled to conclude on June 10th

#### Summary of Open Issues that Impact the Practice of Medicine

As we head toward the last days of the scheduled NYS 2021 Legislative Session in Albany, NYACP would like to take this opportunity to update Members on several initiatives we are monitoring closely. Important initiatives include:



**S.5505 (Rivera) / A6256 (Gottfried)** -- To provide for payment parity between the delivery of health care services via telehealth and services delivered in a traditional in-person environment and to provide for patient protections

Status: Assembly: In Insurance Committee  
Senate: Ready for a vote on the floor

**S.3056-A (Rivera) / A.1535-A (Gottfried)** -- Allows those NPs to enter into written practice agreement with either a physician or an experienced NP who is practicing without a collaborative agreement and eliminates the obligation that junior NPs file written practice protocols

Status : Assembly: In Assembly Higher Education Committee  
Senate: Ready for a vote on the floor

**S.4807-A (Stavisky) / A.6476-A (Hyndman)** -- Authorize licensed pharmacists to administer immunizations for 1) Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, human papillomavirus, measles, mumps, rubella, varicella, COVID-19 and 2) additional immunizations recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) pursuant to a determination by DOH

Status: Assembly: Passed Assembly  
Senate: Passed Senate

**S.74-A/S.4006 (Hoylman) / A.6770 (Weinstein)** – Permits financial recovery based upon wrongful death claims and extends the period of time within which an action may be filed

Status: Assembly: Approved by Assembly Judiciary and Codes Committees. Currently in Assembly Rules  
Senate: Approved by Senate Judiciary Committee and referred to Senate Finance Committee

**S.4546 (Rivera) / A.4656 (Gottfried)** -- To demonstrate a small-scale residential model for persons with dementia or other advanced cognitive needs

Status: Assembly: In Assembly Insurance Committee  
Senate: Ready for a vote on the floor



## Chapter Awards - Submit Nominations by Extended Deadline of July 31st!

NYACP is excited to announce that a *NEW* Chapter Awards Committee has been established to increase member recognition for excellence and distinguished contributions to Internal Medicine. This year, the committee will be issuing a total of 3-5 awards. The categories for candidate nominations include: Education, Advocacy, Clinical Excellence, Research, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) and Public Health.

Below is the link to the online Chapter Awards Nomination Form:

<https://www.nyacp.org/i4a/forms/index.cfm?id=429>. The nomination requires a completed online form, a 500-word Letter of Nomination, and a copy of the nominee's CV. The **submission deadline is July 31, 2021**. Self-Nominations will not be accepted.

Please help the New York Chapter ACP recognize, honor and congratulate the truly deserving members of our Chapter for their amazing and outstanding work.

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## ACP's I Raise the Rates Program

The New York Chapter continues to partner with the ACP Center for Quality in supporting Adult Immunization initiatives. [ACP's I Raise the Rates program](#), supported by funding from the CDC, Merck, and GSK, provides education and virtual coaching to support increased adult immunization coverage.



In this month's [I Raise the Rates](#) newsletter you will find a variety of new resources from various public health partners, such as: Updated Interim Clinical Considerations For Use of COVID-19 Vaccines from the CDC; COVID-19 Vaccine Confidence Toolkit and COVID-19 Education Toolkits and Materials. Check it out!

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*Discussion and Camaraderie - Sponsored by the NYACP Well Being Committee*

**Small Feedings of the Soul:**  
Readings and Reflections Webinar Series  
June 17, 2021: 7:00 pm



Do you look forward to reading 'On Being a Doctor' essays in the Annals of Internal Medicine? We love them, too! So, let's gather and connect virtually through discussions stimulated by these short, provocative readings.

June's theme is Professional Identity and Development.

Come meet the authors Christina Dimopoulos and MD, Sonia Singh, MD, and each other to explore the practice of medicine and our experiences.

June Readings (Audio version available for those without a full text subscription):

- [1. Calling A Code](#)
- [2. Open Letter to a Burned Out Intern](#)

[Register Here](#)

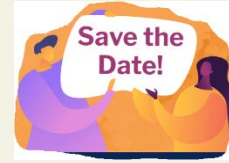
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*SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, Black Health Trust, NYACP and the Brooklyn Health Disparities Center Present:*

**Zoom Webinar:**

**1st International Symposium on COVID 19 Long Haulers Syndrome**

Friday, June 25, 2021: 11:00 am - 3:30 pm (ET)



This virtual symposium will delve into why patients, who have had acute COVID 19 infection, continue to have symptoms that reduce their quality of life and may be life-threatening.

[Register Here](#) Or Use this Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/3ybg1si>

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**ACP Webinar:**

**Navigating Disequilibrium as a Black Woman Internal Medicine Physician**

Wednesday, July 7, 2021: 3:00 p.m. ET



In this free 1-hour webinar, Fatima Cody Stanford, MD, MPH, MPA, FAAP, FACP, FAHA, FTOS, describes obstacles associated with progress and advancement for Black physicians across the life course, explores the role of race/ethnicity and gender in medicine and science, and discusses strategies to navigate disequilibrium encountered in life as a Black woman physician.

[Register Here!](#)

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*NYACP Early Career Physicians Task Force sponsors:*

**Women in Medicine Webinar Series Part 3: Allyship**

Monday, July 12, 2021: 5:00 - 6:00 PM



**Our Words Matter: Sponsorship Through (Unbiased) Letter Writing**  
Tiffany Leung, MD, FACP



**Mentorship and Promotion of Women in Medicine**  
Harvir Singh Gambhir, MD, FACP

[More Information](#)

[Register Here!](#)

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## Save the Dates!

Thursday, October 7, 2021: 6:00 pm -Business Meeting & Awards

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NYACP Annual Scientific Meeting - *online live presentations!*

Friday, October 8, 2021: 8:00 am- 3:45 pm

*Earn up to 13 CME credits and 13 MOC points!*

We hope you will join us for a day of learning, networking and idea sharing for the NYACP Annual Scientific Meeting - held virtually in homes and offices everywhere! Plenary and Breakout sessions can be viewed at a later date for CME credit and MOC points.



Breakout Topics include:

- Women's Health: Pre-conception Counseling in Primary Care
- Tackling the Crackles: Approach to Interstitial Lung Disease for the Internist
- Weighing in on Obesity Management: Diet, Pharmacotherapy and Surgery
- Women's Health: Primary Care for the Post-Menopausal Woman: Cancer Screening and Osteoporosis
- Pulmonary Medicine: Asthma and COPD
- COVID Guidelines for Hospitalists
- Update on Lipid Management
- Point-of- Care Ultrasound
- A Sticky Situation: Update on Anti-platelets and Anti-Coagulants in Cardiovascular Disease

[Full Details/Registration \(\\$50 per member\)](#)

[Abstract/Poster Competition Details](#)



NYACP ABIM MOC Courses

Friday, October 22, 2021

*(virtual in real time)*

**8:30 - 10:30 am • 2020-21 Update in Internal Medicine**

*Tejas Patel, MD, FACP and Nicholas Berbari, MD, FACP*

**11:00 - 1:00 pm • 2020-21 Update in Hospital Medicine**

*Jitendra Barmecha, MD, MPH, FACP and Parag Metha, MD, FACP*

***Earn up to 20 CME credits and 20 MOC points!***

**Information and Registration Details: [ABIM MOC Courses](#)**

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