

November 24, 2022



## President's Message: Dr. Jitendra Barmecha Progress Note:

It is a great pleasure and honor to announce that **Donna Morrison, MD, FACP** has been elected by members of the New York Hudson Valley Region to serve as Governor-elect Designee. Dr. Morrison will start her term as Governor-elect after ACP's Annual Business Meeting on April 29, 2023. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Morrison and thanking **Anush Patel, MD, FACP** for his candidacy.



The tripledemic (Seasonal Flu, RSV, and COVID) is here and, according to CDC, the seasonal flu is earlier and remains at a higher-than-normal activity level this year. Based on the predictive models and anticipated increase in Flu and Covid infections, ACP has signed onto a joint statement with 11 other health care professional organizations to remind the public of the importance of vaccinations and early treatment, given the anticipated increase in COVID-19 and influenza cases this fall and winter.

### [Nation's Health Care Organizations Urge COVID-19 and Influenza Vaccination and Treatment](#)

According to a recently published study by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), it is projected that physician demand will grow faster than supply, leading to a projected physician shortage of between 37,800 and 124,000 physicians by 2034. The shortage of primary care physicians is predicted to be between 17,800 and 48,000, and the shortage across the non-primary care specialties is between 21,000 and 77,100 physicians. The study concludes that the rapid growth of APRNs and Pas, and the recent GME funding & accreditation changes, may offset some of the physician shortage demands. ([The Complexities of Physician Supply and Demand: Projections From](#)

[2019 to 2034](#)) On the other hand, according to a recent ACP study on the number of U.S. internal medicine physicians and ACP members, (excluding residents/fellows, students, and affiliates), there has been a slight increase in IM physicians with stagnant ACP membership:

- 294,764 U.S. internal medicine physicians and 76,398 ACP members, as of June 2022
- 293,677 U.S. internal medicine physicians and 77,070 ACP members, as of June 2021
- 276,643 U.S. internal medicine physicians and 76,900 ACP members, as of June 2018

[The study provides insight](#) into how ACP and the chapters can grow its membership.

On a separate note, and after careful consideration, ACP has decided to sunset their Leadership Academy and Certificate in Physician Leadership program, which ran in partnership with the American Association for Physician Leadership. ACP, and especially the New York Chapter, continue to focus their attention and commitment toward program development and leadership training to meet the needs of members. Information on new programming opportunities will be forthcoming in the near future.

Finally, Thanksgiving is a special season since it gives us another chance to spread joy, reminisce on wonderful memories, contemplate the lessons we have learned and appreciate the people in our lives. I wish you all an incredible Thanksgiving Day!



Jitendra Barmechea, MD, MPH, FACP, SFHM  
President

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### Join NYACP Leaders in Healthcare Workers vs Hunger: Nov 28-Dec 4th

You can help fight hunger and mix in a little friendly competition, too. Healthcare Workers vs Hunger was started by two physicians to address food insecurity. Last year, the NYACP team raised over \$32,000 for local foodbanks!

NYACP Leaders, **Dr. Dan Pomerantz** (Governor, Hudson Valley Region) and **Dr. Susan Lee** (Governor, Long Island Region), have entered a team in this year's competition. Help the team address hunger, show the kindness of New Yorkers, and compete for the glass apple trophy!

Ready to join team #IMGenerous? Here are the simple steps:

1. Choose a local food bank. Consider one that supports a Medical School!
2. Between November 28th and December 4th, donate any amount directly to the food bank of your choice.
3. Screenshot your receipt and [fill out the form that will be opening soon](#) to record your donation to team #IMGenerous

4. Encourage friends, family, colleagues, residents, and students to donate and join our team! Non-healthcare workers are welcome.

Healthcare Workers Vs Hunger will gather the donations reported by each team and maintain the leader board. The winning team will be confirmed after December 4th.

Questions? Healthcare Workers vs. Hunger has [helpful answers for FAQ's](#).

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### ACP's Internal Medicine Brand Identity Campaign

ACP's new multi-year identity campaign is designed to educate about the breadth, depth, and diversity of the Internal Medicine profession, and underscore the vital role of Internal Medicine physicians and the value they bring to health care.



This new initiative was informed by research conducted through surveys, focus groups, and in-depth interviews with internal medicine physicians, other health care leaders, and consumers. It will emphasize that internal medicine physicians are:

- Experts in complexity.
- Brilliant connectors for patients and health care systems using our knowledge and expertise.
- The foundation of adult clinical care.
- Vital to both patients and other medical professionals.
- Leaders in the design and structure of the evolution of health care across the globe.

Over the coming months, digital advertising and articles demonstrating the leadership, impact, and value that internal medicine physicians bring to many diverse roles and settings will appear in ACP publications, various media outlets, and social media platforms. Visit ACP's [website](#) to stay up to date, and follow ACP on social media to engage in conversation.

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## Governor Hochul signs Executive Order to create New York's first-ever Master Plan for Aging

Governor Kathy Hochul signed an executive order to create the state's first-ever Master Plan for Aging to ensure that older New Yorkers can live healthy, fulfilling lives while aging with dignity and independence. Signed on Older New Yorkers' Day, the Executive Order directs the Commissioner of the State Department of Health and the Director of the State Office for the Aging to head a Master Plan for Aging Council, which will then gather input from relevant stakeholders to draft guidance for building healthy, livable communities that offer opportunities for older adults.



[Read More](#)

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## Call for Papers Open

The NYACP Spring 2023 Call for Abstracts online submission is open!

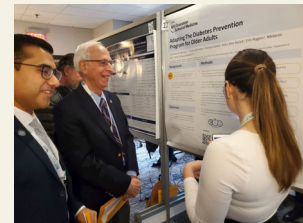
### Resident/Fellow and Medical Student Forum

Friday, May 12, 2023

Desmond/Crowne Plaza Hotel

660 Albany Shaker Road

Albany, NY 12211



If you have worked on a research project or have an interesting clinical case, submit your abstract for a chance to present it live to a team of judges at the NYACP Resident/Fellow and Medical Student Forum on Friday, May 12, 2023, in Albany, NY.

Abstract submissions are being accepted in the following categories:

- Research
- Clinical Vignette
- Quality (Medical Students/Residents/Fellows combined)

[More Information](#)

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## Members in the News!

**Megan Gerber, MD, FACP** received the AVA Vincent J Felitti Distinguished Scholar Award for "outstanding healthcare professionals who have made and are making significant contributions to advance education and research on the prevention, recognition, and treatment of the health effects of violence and abuse."



Dr. Felitti is a general internist and physician scholar who developed and led

the adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) study in partnership with the CDC. His groundbreaking work led to our understanding of how trauma impacts lifelong health.

View Dr. Gerber's NYACP presentations on Trauma Informed Care for [patient care](#) and for [physician well-being](#).

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## ACP Advance Quality Improvement Excellence Awards & Quality and Well-being Champion Poster Session



### CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

**Submit your abstract today to be considered for the following opportunities:**

Each year, ACP's Center for Quality recognizes member achievements and contributions to promote quality and well-being. We invite current and past participants of ACP's quality improvement and well-being programs to submit an abstract for consideration to receive the annual ACP Advance Quality Improvement Excellence Awards and/or present an electronic poster at the Annual Quality and Well-being Champion Networking Reception. These events will be held during the 2023 ACP Internal Medicine Meeting in San Diego, CA.

#### **I. ACP Advance Quality Improvement Excellence Award:**

The ACP Advance Quality Improvement Excellence Awards celebrate the accomplishments of ACP Advance QI program participants and their contributions to improving patient care and outcomes. These awards will be presented at the Annual ACP Advance Quality Improvement Luncheon on **Thursday, April 27, 2023, from 12:00 to 1:30 pm PT.**

#### **II. Quality and Well-being Champion Posters:**

The annual Quality and Well-being Champion Reception is a wonderful opportunity to showcase your QI or well-being initiatives and network with fellow champions. Poster presenters will have the opportunity to present their project outcomes to ACP Governance and Leadership, ACP Advance coaches, faculty, and fellow QI and Well-being Champions. The reception will take place on **Friday, April 28, 2023, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm PT.**

[Please review the submission form for more information.](#) The deadline for submissions is **December 16, 2022.** Award winners and poster presenters will be notified by January 31, 2023. Please contact [ACPQI@acponline.org](mailto:ACPQI@acponline.org) with any questions.

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## Upcoming Events

**Irwin D. Mandel Advances in Cardiovascular Risk Reduction:  
Improving Treatment for Patients with Diabetes**

**December 1 / 7:45 am - 5:00 pm**  
**NYU Langone Health and Live Stream**

*Jointly provided by the NYU Grossman School of Medicine and the New York Chapter American College of Physicians.*



**80% off in-person registration: 81423NYS**  
**40% off virtual registration for NYACP members: NYACP40**

*Discounts end on November 27, 2023.*

This one-day course will cover state-of-the-art management of patients with cardiovascular risk factors, with a focus on prevention. The morning session will highlight the latest scientific and clinical advances in the management of diabetes, including evidence-based strategies to reduce cardiovascular risk in diabetic patients and best practices in the care of hospitalized patients with diabetes.

### [INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION](#)

**Home and Skilled Nursing Facility: Post-Operative Care of Older Adults**  
**Wednesday, February 8, 2023 / 7:00 - 8:00 pm / Zoom Meeting**

*Jointly provided by NYMDA and the NYACP Geriatrics Task Force*

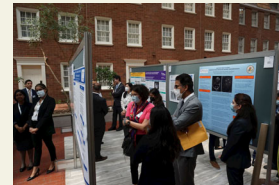


This one-hour session will cover Home and Skilled Nursing Facility post-op care for older adults. Themes will include how to address common complications within this patient population, telehealth, financing care, and caregiving.

### [REGISTER HERE](#)

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### [Submit an Abstract!](#)

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