"I was fortunate to be among the first in the US to receive the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine last week under the EUA. After caring for countless critically ill COVID-19 patients during the first wave in NYC there was no question that I get the vaccine as soon as it was available to me. Getting the vaccine felt similar to a flu shot, just some arm soreness for a day. By getting the vaccine I hope to not just protect myself, but everyone around me and show that the vaccine is safe.” - Austin Schnitzer, MD, Internal Medicine Resident, 2020 NYACP Advocacy Intern

From NYS Governor's Newsletter (12.16.20)
New NY COVID-19 Website

New York launched a new website about the COVID-19 vaccine with everything you need to know. It provides New Yorkers with a one-stop location for accurate and up to date information on the vaccine, safety, distribution priorities and more. On the site, New Yorkers can find general information about the vaccine, a detailed Frequently Asked Questions section that provides facts about the vaccine's safety and efficacy, and other questions you may have.

The State has identified Regional Vaccination Hubs to develop vaccination networks ahead of Phase 2. These hubs will be led by local hospital systems and will work with community leaders to develop vaccination networks, which will guide vaccination administration for the second phase. Under the state's plan, the second phase of administrations will focus on essential workers and individuals in the general public who are most at risk.

#IMVaccinated and #IGotTheShot: Help Encourage COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake

To help encourage COVID-19 vaccine uptake in patients and the public, please share photos or posts on social media about getting vaccinated for COVID-19 and use the hashtags: #IMVaccinated; #IGotTheShot; #COVIDVaccine; #COVID19Vaccine. ACP strongly encourages physicians, other health care workers and patients to get vaccinated for COVID-19 as vaccine supply becomes available. The College supports the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendation to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for the use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine in persons 16 and older in the U.S. under the Food and Drug Administration’s Emergency Use Authorization. Don’t forget to follow NYACP on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

Members in the News

Dr’s Parag and Isha Mehta and family share heartwarming tribute shown on New York's PIX 11 to Jay Mahadevia, mother of Isha Mehta, who lost her life to COVID. You can view the tribute here.
Rebecca Castro, a student at NY Medical College and an active member of the NYACP Medical Student committee was recently published in Cardiology in Review with William Frishman, MD, MACP of Westchester Medical Center. Congratulations!  
Castro, Rebecca A. BA*; Frishman, William H. MD† Thrombotic Complications of COVID-19 Infection, Cardiology in Review:  
January/February 2021 - Volume 29 - Issue 1 - p 43-47  
doi: 10.1097/CRD.0000000000000347

Call For Abstracts!

NYACP Abstract / E-Poster Competition

If you have worked on a research project or have an interesting clinical case, submit your abstract for a chance to present at the Spring NYACP E-Poster Competition! Separate poster competitions for residents and medical students will be held for entries in the following categories: Research, Clinical Vignette and Quality.

Deadline to submit abstracts is Friday, January 22, 2021

Online Submission Forms are Now Available Here!

For more information click here

Save the Date!

Upstate District Joint Virtual Event: The Road to a COVID Vaccine

January 13, 2021 • 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Register Here

The COVID-19 vaccines have arrived and with them, questions. Join us for a presentation and discussion with Ann Falsey, MD to address questions and assist you in providing guidance. Dr. Falsey is a Professor of Medicine at the University of Rochester School Of Medicine and an Infectious Disease specialist. The focus of her research has been in the field of respiratory viral infections in adults. Most recently, she was the lead researcher on COVID-19 Vaccine trials.

By participating in this event, you will:
1. Understand the process of developing vaccines
2. Understand the different types of COVID-19 vaccines
3. Be familiar with the safety and efficacy of the RNA vaccines

Ready to Rank: An informal meet and greet for applicants to NY State Residency Programs
Are you applying to a NY State Residency Program in this year’s match cycle? Join NYACP for an informal opportunity to talk to residents from programs throughout New York State about their residency experiences. Students will be assigned to groups in Zoom breakout rooms. Each group will meet with resident representatives from each participating program (accompanied by a moderator from NYACP). Access to the event will close at 7:10 pm each night so, please log in on time to confirm your seat.

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**REGISTER FOR JANUARY 21, 2021**

**REGISTER FOR JANUARY 28, 2021**

Questions? Email Amanda Allen at aallen@nyacp.org

**Recorded Webinar now available!**
**The Impact of COVID-19 on Housestaff and Educators**

The NYACP Residents Committee recently sponsored a survey to Residents and Faculty that sought to identify the efficacy of educational approaches used during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic in the spring.

Dr’s Harvir Singh Gambhir MD, FACP and Marc Braunstein, MD, PhD, FACP share insight into the following:

1. Review the survey data
2. Discuss implications of COVID-19 on medical education
3. Understand the ways to use the data to improve medical education during this pandemic

**View recording here!**

**Did you miss the NYACP Annual Meeting?**
You can still view all recordings and earn up to 12 CME Credits and 12 MOC points! ACP Member fee is $50 and you have until Spring 2021 to view your recordings and claim your credits.

Find all information on the NYACP Website!

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