

March 17, 2022



President's Message: Dr. Leslie Algase

Last week I had the privilege of representing NYACP at the MSSNY advocacy day event. The morning was filled with connections to our state legislative leadership. MSSNY Advocacy Day Speakers included: Senate Majority Leader Andrea-Stewart Cousins, Senate Deputy Majority Leader Michael

Gianaris, Assembly Majority Leader Crystal People-Stokes, Assembly Health Committee Chair Richard Gottfried (who will be ending his historic long career of health care leadership in the assembly at the end of this term - 12/31/22), Senate Health Committee Chair Gustavo Rivera, Senate Insurance Committee Chair Neil Breslin, Assembly Insurance Committee Chair Kevin Cahill, Senate Minority Leader Rob Ortz; and Assembly Minority Leader Will Barclay.

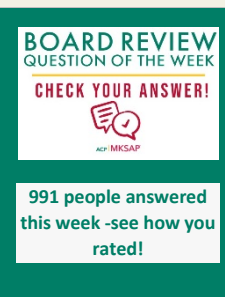
Many of the speakers touched upon support for programs that [we prioritize at NYACP](#) including: Telehealth pay parity, increasing the healthcare workforce, Diversity in medicine, DANY Program, Prescriber Prevails, Medicaid fee increase, Collective negotiations, and Prior Authorization reform.

There was interesting and lively discussion on NP Scope of Practice – MORE PHYSICIAN INPUT IS NEEDED to oppose independent practice of NP's. There was support for the important role that they play, but we need recognition of the importance for physician leadership of the healthcare team. The NY Health Act was also discussed– affordability is still a concern of legislators and may be the reason why the bill does not pass in NY.

I was able to give a summary of [NYACP priorities](#) which, fortunately, align closely with MSSNY's.

Our leadership is excitedly preparing for our first-in person ACP Board of Governor's meeting in over 2 years in Chicago next month! We welcome your feedback on the [resolutions we will be discussing.](#)

Our hearts go out to the people of Ukraine who are experiencing this brutal and unnecessary attack. There are no words to describe the horror of what we are watching unfold and the brutality that is behind this needless assault. Please give generously to any organization that can



help the Ukrainian people. [Doctors Without Borders](#) is actively assisting and treating refugees and victims if you don't know where to start. I fear for the world if a resolution is not found soon.

Stay safe and take care of yourselves,

Leslie

Chapter Awards - Submit your Nomination today!

NYACP is excited to increase member recognition for excellence and distinguished contributions to Internal Medicine. This year, the committee will issue 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. All members, including medical students and residents, are eligible.



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, 2022.**

Please help the New York Chapter ACP recognize, honor and congratulate the truly deserving members of our Chapter for their amazing and outstanding work. Awards will be distributed to all winners in-person on November 4, 2022 (the evening before NYACP's Annual Scientific Meeting) in Westchester.

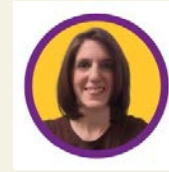
Helping Ukraine

ACP recently [released a statement](#) expressing the concerns of internists about the current health situation in Ukraine. Many members are seeking ways to help. Active member and volunteer, **John Maese, MD, MACP** has shared information about an opportunity to [donate medical supplies to the AFYA foundation in New York](#). If you are aware of other programs available to help the people of Ukraine and the countries providing humanitarian assistance to refugees, please let us know at info@nyacp.org.



Members in the News

Paula Lester, MD, FACP (Chair, NYACP Geriatrics Task Force) was recently published in JAMDA! Her article [Interdisciplinary Protocol for Surgery in Older Persons: Development and Implementation](#) is now available with 50 days of free access before April 24, 2022. Congratulations, Dr. Lester!



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NYACP Well Being Program Featured in ACP Internist

Members of the NYACP Well Being committee, **Lynn Cleary, MD, MACP, Nandini Anandu, MD, FACP and Cori Salvit, MD, FACP** wanted to provide a venue for NYACP members to share life experiences, facilitate connections and create a community of practice in reflection. Almost one year later, the program they envisioned, perfectly dubbed “Small Feedings of the Soul” by committee member **Louis Snitkoff, MD, MACP**, has become a monthly staple for many members!

The unique format piqued the interest of ACP Internist staff member, Molly Frost, who featured Small Feedings of the Soul in her March cover story [“Championing well-being amid COVID-19”](#).

Congratulations to the program directors and thank you to the guest facilitators, guest authors, and members who continue to build this community and support the success of NYACP's Small Feedings of the Soul!

All members are invited to [join us tonight at 7pm with special guest Michael LaCombe, MD, MACP](#).

“Before attending these sessions, I wondered how busy doctors could find an extra hour for a meeting. After attending two, I now realize how essential reflection is in my own practice. These sessions are awesome.” – Attendee, February 2022

Presentations for NYS OASAS Addiction Treatment Center (ATC) Medical Providers

NYS OASAS is hosting monthly presentations (4th Tuesday of each month, 9:00-10:15 am) for medical providers working at the NYS OASAS state-operated Addiction Treatment Centers (ACTs) and treating patients with substance use disorder (SUD) admitted for inpatient medical management of withdrawal and/or inpatient rehabilitation services.



Patients often have significant co-morbidities and the medical providers would benefit from up-to-date presentations on best practice management for hypertension, diabetes mellitus, acute

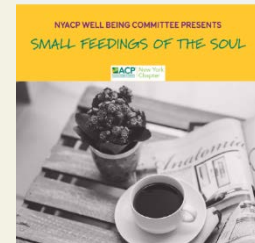
and chronic kidney disease, advanced liver fibrosis/cirrhosis/chronic liver disease, hyperlipidemia, and congestive heart failure. These are inpatient (but not hospital-based) settings with a typical length of stay of 7-28 days. Many NYACP members may already have prepared presentations on these topics. While there is no honoraria offered for giving these presentations, you would be serving NYS, build your CV, and helping inform them about better care for persons with SUD with significant co-morbidities. If you are interested, please contact Kelly S. Ramsey, MD, FACP, OASAS CMO, at Kelly.Ramsey@oasas.ny.gov.

Upcoming Events

Small Feedings of the Soul: Readings and Reflections

Thursday, March 17, 2022 / 7:00 - 8:15 pm
March's Theme: Stories from Medicine

Readings and Guest Authors:
Michael LaCombe, MD, MACP



Titles of the stories to be read and discussed include:

- Diagnosis
- An Innocent Tale
- Left-handed Favor
- The Academician
- Entertaining Angels Unaware

Facilitated by: **Lynn Cleary, MD, MACP**
Program Directors: **Nandini Anandu, MD, FACP, Lynn Cleary, MD, MACP, and Cori Salvit, MD, FACP**

Registration

ACP's Chief Resident Leadership Development Series Management Skills

Thursday, March 31, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. ET

Transitioning from resident to chief resident is a time of great professional growth that brings about new opportunities and exciting challenges. Join us for the latest webinars in ACP's Chief Resident Leadership Development Series designed to help chief residents and future chief residents excel.



[Register Today!](#)

Zoom Session: Story/Talent Slam for Trainee's - "Expressions in Medicine"

Wednesday, April 6, 2022/ 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Are you a Trainee with a special talent you would like to share with your peers? We are looking for story tellers, poem writers, musical talents and even art that you would like to share!

Do you have a story to share about your COVID experience over the past two years? Hearing a single story can inspire change, acts of kindness, empathy, and more. Telling your story has an impact!

Submit your story or outline by April 1st to klabello@nyacp.org

[More information](#)
[Register to listen or share](#)



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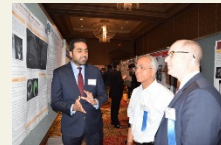
Save the Date!
2022 NYACP Resident and Medical Student Forum
Friday, May 27, 2022

Save the date and plan to join us on Friday, May 27, 2022 as we return to an in-person poster competition and welcome back Dr.'s Dilemma!

Crowne Plaza/Desmond
660 Albany Shaker Rd
Albany, NY 12211

12:30 pm-Poster Competition

2:00 pm - Dr's Dilemma Competition



Save the Date!
2022 NYACP Annual Scientific Meeting
Saturday, November 5, 2022
Join us as we return to an in-person Annual Scientific Meeting on Saturday, November 5, 2022.



Westchester Marriott
670 White Plains Rd
Tarrytown, NY 10591

Details coming shortly!
