President’s Message: Dr. Leslie Algase

Happy spring! I hope you were all recognized on National Doctors Day by those who appreciate all you’ve done over the past 2 difficult years! Know that we at ACP and the New York Chapter appreciate you every day!

Governor Hochul is hoping to get this year’s budget done on time (which is tomorrow, April 1st). As of this writing on Wednesday, I can give you a quick synopsis of where we are with bills of interest to internists.

Funding to support the Doctors Across NY (DANY) program is included in the Governor’s Assembly and Senate budget proposals. Telehealth payment parity is included in the Governor and Senate proposals, but is omitted from the Assembly budget proposal. The Assembly and Senate proposals preserve the current law requiring NP’s to work for 3600 hours under a collaborative agreement prior to independent practice. The Governor proposes to eliminate the collaborative agreement requirement (which NYACP opposes).

The Governor’s proposal includes authorization for pharmacists to order and evaluate certain laboratory tests for patients without looping in the patient’s physician. The Senate and Assembly eliminated this provision from their proposals. The Governor and Senate budgets propose that NY join the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. The Assembly did not include this proposal. A 1% Medicaid payment increase is proposed in all three budgets. Raising the income threshold for eligibility in NY’s Essential Plan is included in all three budget proposals.

NYACP will circulate a budget update when negotiations are finalized and a final budget is adopted.

In other news, we are looking forward to the ACP Internal Medicine Scientific session IN PERSON in Chicago at the end of April. It is not too late to sign up, and if you do, please join us for the NY reception at 8PM on Thursday 4/28.

Stay safe!

Leslie
65 New Fellows Elected in 2021

Congratulations to the 65 NYACP members who were elected as Fellows of the American College of Physicians in 2021! Fellowship is a distinct honor bestowed by peers and ACP that recognizes the accomplishment and contribution above and beyond the practice of medicine. ACP Fellows have the right to vote, hold office and sponsor applicants for Membership and Fellowship.

Congratulations to all on this well-deserved honor. Please share the news!

Learn more about ACP Fellowship

ACP Advocacy Efforts

ACP recently applauded and strongly advocated for the Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act. This act helped to address the mental health needs of physicians and support research about the mental and behavioral health of health care professionals, including the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Members in the News

NYACP is proud to congratulate Douglas DeLong, MD, MACP, FRCP on receiving the Larry Zaroff Man of Good Conscience Award at the American Medical Women’s Association’s (AMWA) 107th Annual Meeting.

Published by Daily Sentinel, March 22:
Retired Bassett doctor received "Man of Good Conscience Award"

Published Mineola American, March 2022
NYU Long Island School of Medicine Students Learn 'Doctor’s Destinies' on Match Day

Candidate Nominations Now Being Accepted for ACP Hudson Valley Region Governor-Elect

Potential ACP Governor-Elect Candidates
Nominations Due by April 14, 2022

The ACP national office is conducting a Hudson Valley Region Governor-Elect election for our chapter this year. The Local Nominations Committee will be responsible for identifying up to two candidates who are willing
and able to serve a four-year term (April 2024 - April 2028), in addition to a year of training as Governor-elect (April 2023 - April 2024).

NYACP is looking for a dynamic leader who exhibits integrity, shows commitment to the College and demonstrates dedication to the Chapter and the medical community. The successful candidate will work with Chapter members and with leaders in internal medicine at the national level. A Governor typically spends several hours per week on College Business with the support of executive administrative staff. Serving as one of five New York ACP Governors can be an extremely rewarding and life-changing experience.

Click here to view the Governor Job Responsibilities.

Only ACP MACPs and FACP are eligible for consideration.

If you would like to submit the name of a colleague or self-nominate, please send the name and contact information to Louis S. Snitkoff, MD, MACP (Chair, Local Nominations Committee) - lsnitkoff@gmail.com.

All potential candidate information must be submitted by Wednesday April 14, 2022.

NYACP is pleased to share a telehealth update with you written by Audrey Liu, MD, PGY-2 Internal Medicine, NSUH/LIJ. Dr. Liu is completing her Steven Walerstein, MD, MACP Advocacy Internship with us this month. Thank you for all of your hard work and help these past few weeks, Dr. Liu. It has been a pleasure to work with you!

An Introduction to Telehealth Regulation, with Focus on New York

By Audrey Liu, MD

Objectives:

1. Describe the government groups involved in regulation of telehealth.
2. Describe the purpose of a business associate agreement in telehealth.
3. Identify the changes made during the COVID-19 pandemic surrounding regulation and reimbursement of telehealth.
4. Describe the role of the medical licensure compact in telehealth.
5. Describe current legislative items in New York that would impact telehealth.

Read More

NYACP Events
Small Feedings of the Soul: Readings and Reflections

April 21 / 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Explore the practice of medicine through shared experiences! Come for discussion, camaraderie, and to meet authors of select pieces from 'On Being A Doctor'.

This event is not recorded.

April's Theme: Remembering Faith Fitzgerald, MD, MACP

Readings:
Curiosity by Faith Fitzgerald, MD, MACP
Letter to My Future Doctor by Faith Fitzgerald, MD, MACP

Facilitated by: Leslie Algase, MD, FACP
Special Guest: Raminder Gill, MD, FACP
Program Directors: Nandini Anandu, MD, FACP, Lynn Cleary, MD, MACP, and Cori Salvit, MD, FACP

REGISTRATION

NYACP Early Career Physicians Task Force Presents the following zoom webinar:

How to Prepare Great Abstract and Poster Presentations for your Next Academic Conference
Wednesday, May 4 / 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Objectives:

1. Prepare an effective abstract poster and oral presentation
2. Identify general features of high-quality abstract poster and oral presentation
3. Avoid common pitfalls on preparing an abstract poster and oral presentation

Speakers:

Ofec Hai, DO, FACP
Evan Saiu, MD, FACP
Raphael Rabinowitz, MD

Register Here
NYACP and Joint Medical Schools Reception

ACP IM 22
Thursday, April 28, 2022 / 8:00 pm

Marriott Marquis Chicago
Grand Horizon Ballroom G

RSVP Here

ACP 2022 Internal Medicine Meeting Information

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 are coming shortly!