

EDUCATION

Internal Medicine Certification and Recertification Board Preparation Course is in 6 Weeks

The Chapter and New York Methodist Hospital are pleased to present a two-day course on February 23 - 24, 2013. For the first time, the course is being held in conjunction with this year's Annual Chapter Scientific Meeting on Friday, February 22, 2013.

This weekend course* is designed to assist internal medicine physicians in preparing for recertification and PGY-III residents in their preparation for Board Certification. It will present the latest information in major areas of internal medicine covered by the upcoming examination and will review the test-taking skills necessary for success.

Taught by a distinguished faculty drawn from major academic teaching centers and leaders of the College, this intense two-day course provides in-depth teaching, access to the professors for further questions, and a published curriculum.

The program will be held at the Hilton Westchester Hotel in Rye Brook, NY and can easily be reached by car or by mass transit.

A discount is available for registering for the three days of programming. You can register online at:

www.nyacp.org/annualmeeting, contact Karen Tucker by email ktucker@nyacp.org, or call the Chapter office at (518) 427-0366.

**New York Methodist Hospital designates this educational activity for a maximum of 18 credits*

ADVOCACY

NYS Legislative Session Convenes

With the start of the new 2013-2014 legislative session, we have already begun to monitor and act on legislative, regulatory and public policy developments in the area of health care delivery. We plan to focus efforts on issues that impact the provision of high quality and cost effective care to patients, Internal Medicine practice, public health and medical education. The NYACP State Legislative Program is available at: www.nyacp.org/legagenda

Governor Cuomo Issues Executive Order on Flu Vaccinations

On January 12th, the Governor declared a Public Health Emergency for all of New York State in response to the increasingly severe flu season. The Order allows NYS certified pharmacists to administer flu vaccinations to patients between six months and 18 years of age. Access the executive order online at: www.nyacp.org/gac

Last week, the Chapter delivered a call to action from the NYS Health Department to encourage all healthcare providers to get vaccinated, information on availability of the vaccine (www.preventinfluenza.org/ivats) and supporting clinical information from ACP *Annals of Internal Medicine*.

In 2008, the Chapter supported the legislation that enabled pharmacists to immunize with the requirement that they report vaccine administration to the patient's primary care provider.

QUALITY

Quality Committee Identifies Over 30 Valuable Resources Available to Members

In the December 20th issue of *Your Chapter in Action*, we reported that the Chapter's Quality Committee completed an extensive literature review and identified over 30 resources that impact members and their practices in the areas of quality, patient safety, process improvement, transitions in care and handoffs.

The Chapter has posted all of these resources and links to the members-only Resource Library found only on the NYACP website.

The resources were identified from a variety of highly respected agencies, organizations and authors.

We encourage you to visit the Resource Library and access these materials at anytime.

Using the following username and password will grant you full access. Please note that *your ACP login will not grant you access to the NYACP website*. Visit www.nyacp.org/ResourceLibrary
Username: nyacpmember Password: benefit

UPCOMING QUALITY WEBINAR

Reducing Readmissions through Effective Transitions of Care*

Tuesday, February 5, 2013
12:00pm - 1:00pm

Register: www.nyacp.org/education

**1.0 Hour of CME Category I Credits*

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