

EDUCATION

Save the Dates for Upcoming NYACP Spring Events

Your local, District volunteer has been working diligently to host or co-sponsor educational events that are timely, meaningful and easily accessible to you.

Specific topics range from high value cost conscious care, device therapy for a failing heart, career opportunities in internal medicine, bariatric surgery, hyponatremia and social media in healthcare to name a few.

The calendar is filling up with Spring educational events, so make sure to save the dates:

- *Southern Tier* - Wed. March 18th
- *Bronx* - Wed. March 20th
- *Buffalo* - Thurs. March 21st
- *Hudson Valley Central* - Tues. April 30th
- *Suffolk* - Wed. May 1st
- *Syracuse* - Tues. May 7th
- *Manhattan* - Fri. May 10th

A listing of our educational events is located on the NYACP website and can be accessed by visiting: <http://www.nyacp.org/education>

Promotion to those in the local region will be sent in the coming weeks. Look for emails from your District President. To see your local leadership, please visit the Chapter's website at: <http://www.nyacp.org/about>

Fall NYACP Poster Competition

The next NYACP Resident and Medical Student Forum is Saturday, November 9, 2013 at the University at Rochester School of Medicine.

The NYACP Call for Abstracts will be available online beginning Monday, June 10, 2013.

ADVOCACY

Chapter Submits Written Testimony on Workforce Budget Proposals

Each year, the NYS legislature hosts joint public hearings to discuss the proposed Executive budget.

New this year was a joint hearing on workforce-related issues. NYACP submitted written testimony urging the Legislature to support the physician workforce programs, such as Doctors Across New York, as in the past.

In addition, we urged for a continued focus on new models to encourage and further build capacity in the primary care physician workforce to ensure access to health care for all residents.

Extension of Certificate of Need (CON) to Physician Practices Under Consideration

A significant recommendation has been posed by the Public Health and Health Planning Council of the NYS Department of Health for consideration of the impact of many complex system changes that could result if CON requirements are imposed on single and multi-specialty "mega" physician practices.

CON has previously only been required for Article 28 facilities including FQHCs and community health centers.

NYACP is actively engaged in this discussion and wants to hear your perspective. Please contact Linda Lambert llambert@nyacp.org today for more detail.

QUALITY

You May Be Eligible to Earn Financial Support and Receive Technical Assistance As You Achieve Diabetes Recognition

Are you a solo practitioner or in a small practice that sees patients between 18 and 75 years of age? If you answered yes to this question, or know someone who is, please continue reading.

As a benefit of your membership, the Chapter will:

- Provide a \$1,000 incentive upon completion of diabetes recognition
- Provide continuing technical assistance
- Underwrite the National Committee for Quality Alliance (NCQA) workbook and application fees.

Receive increased reimbursement, achieve recognition among health plans and stand out amongst your colleagues in demonstrating excellence in diabetes care and treatment.

This is a unique and limited opportunity for 27 eligible solo or small practices who seek to achieve Diabetes Recognition.

We encourage members to contact Lisa Noel, NYACP's Manager for Practice Support Services to further discuss this opportunity. Reach her by phone (518) 427-0366 or via email lnoe@nyacp.org.

For more details on the Chapter's Quality and Diabetes initiatives, please visit the Chapter's website: <http://www.nyacp.org/quality>

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