

Your Chapter in Action



Dear NYACP Members,

As the end of 2019 approaches, I find myself reflecting upon the things I've learned, experiences I've had, and most importantly, the people I have met this past year. Among everything that has happened, I am especially grateful to have been welcomed into the NYACP community as the new Executive Director for the New York Chapter starting last May. My pathway into NYACP integration was paved, first, by the staff who work every day to deliver world class content and programs for New York's internists, and, second, by New York's ACP Governors and Council-Board leaders who dedicate themselves to serving the membership and championing the interests of patients. NYACP and ACP staff and leaders inspire me daily through their commitment to professionalism.



As the American healthcare system continues to evolve and change in 2020, I look forward to representing NYACP members at meetings with state and federal health policymakers and elected officials. Many challenges lie ahead, but with a united vision for the future, internists will be poised to take a leadership role in creating the change we want to see in practice. I can't wait to work with all of you as we create and share a vision for healthcare in the next decade that prioritizes patients over all other considerations.



In the new year, NYACP will continue to deliver high-quality content for members with a twist and some new offerings. The biweekly newsletter formerly known as YCIA (Your Chapter in Action) is now: **IM Connected**. **IM Connected** will give you information about meetings, educational webinars, volunteer opportunities, updates from leaders, New York-focused health policy information (did you know that the NYS Legislature introduces over 20,000 bills every session and that NYACP has six advocacy interns from medical schools and residency programs who help us each year), and much more!



Also, starting on January 7th and every Tuesday thereafter, watch for an email from NYACP using the platform PropFuel to distribute an IM board review question provided by MedQuest. Each weekly Board Review question will be followed-up on Thursday with a summary of the replies received from members and the correct answer with explanation and references. On the weeks that **IM Connected** is distributed, the answer to the IM board review question will be in **IM Connected**. On the weeks that **IM Connected** is not distributed, the answer to the IM board review question will be distributed via email. It is my hope that the weekly IM board review question generates a shared conversation among New York internists and enhances our sense of community and fellowship with one another. Plus, receiving information about how other physicians answered the question, along with the current answer, will help you benchmark your replies to those of your colleagues.



New York Chapter

Have you seen our new logo? NYACP adopted a new logo that reflects our affiliation with national ACP and provides a fresh look for our member communications for 2020 and beyond. Visit our website to learn more about our exciting programs planned for the new year.

More information about this is headed your way on quarterly members postcards. Follow us on Twitter,

Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date on NY IM issues!

I am looking forward to 2020 with excitement and anticipation for all of the new ways we can bring together New York's internists, facilitate expanding passion for the practice of internal medicine, and create a professional home that members want to belong to for life.

Best wishes for a very happy and healthy 2020!

Best,
Heather Bennett, JD, PhD

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