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From President Burke

## **How Can We Fund Principled-Centered** Medicine<sup>TM</sup>?



Hard to believe that we are halfway into Summer 2018! I hope that you have found time with family/ friends to relax. Recently, we have introduced

Principle-Centered Medicine<sup>TM</sup> as a brand of patient care that focuses on the doctor-patient relationship that osteopathic internal medicine can lead. Patient care that enables a physician's energies and healing skills with "principles" of individual medicine is extremely valuable and often underfunded. The spectrum of quality-based "low hanging fruit" payments have not been very fulfilling outside of huge corporate health delivery groups. We can be as "Principle-Centered" as we want, but if it isn't properly capitalized then it remains an uphill battle. The following paragraphs will highlight some ideas as a start on how to properly link our focus on the patient to appropriate capitalization.

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### Elections Set for October 21

## **Nominations For ACOI Leadership Positions Announced**







Samuel K. Snyder, DO

Michael A. Adornetto, DO

Robert A. Cain, DO

The ACOI Nominating Committee has announced the slate of candidates for election at the Annual Meeting of Members scheduled for Sunday, October 21 in Orlando, FL. The Committee has nominated Samuel K. Snyder, DO, for President-elect and Michael A. Adornetto, DO, MBA, for Secretary-Treasurer. The Nominating Committee also approved three candidates for election to the Board of Directors. Incumbents Robert A. Cain, DO, and Amita Vasoya, DO, were nominated to new terms. Laura M. Rosch, DO, was nominated to the term previously filled by Dr. Adornetto. Under the College's Bylaws, this year's President-elect, Annette T. Carron, DO, will be inaugurated as President for the 2018-2019 year at the conclusion of the elections.

Samuel K. Snyder, DO, FACOI is Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Medicine at Nova Southeastern University-College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Lauderdale, FL. He formerly served as the program director of the internal medicine residency at Mount Sinai Medical Center there. He was appointed in 2015 to represent the ACOI and AOA on the ACGME Internal Medicine Residency Review Committee. Dr. Snyder is board-certified in internal medicine and nephrology. He has been an Active ACOI member since 1986 and received the degree of Fellow in 1995. He has been a member of the Research Committee, which he chairs, and has lectured numerous times on nephrology topics for the College. Dr. Snyder chaired the annual convention program in 2015. He was first elected to the Board of Directors in 2009.

Michael A. Adornetto, DO, MBA, FACOI, is a board-certified general internist with a private practice in Westlake, Ohio. A graduate of the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Adornetto completed a combined internal medicine/pediatrics residency at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in 1994. He is president of the West Shore Primary Care Associates and was the founding program director of the osteopathic internal medicine residency at St. John Medical Center, Westlake. Dr. Adornetto is chair of the ACOI Practice Management and Professional Development

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The mission of the ACOI is to promote high quality, distinctive osteopathic care of the adult.

### VISION

The ACOI seeks to be the organization that osteopathic internists think of first for education, information, representation and service to the profession.

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### **Letter from the President**

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### **Data Grabs Out of Control**

The middle world (Tolkien) money grab going on in the American healthcare system is a real and disturbing problem that continues to victimize patients and physicians. The patients pay and insurance companies do not. This is just scratching the surface. Large corporate systems using Electronic Medical Record (EMR) systems are selling the patient interaction data that you slog entering day and night for millions of dollars (while haranguing you to do more). This is often raw data that is un-adjudicated and at best poor, though incredibly valuable. Insurance companies have funded sub-corporations such as Optum (United Healthcare) to buy patient data, or use their patient data collected (ironically) to prove service that we have created, then sell the data for huge profits. They withhold payment to physicians and hospitals in order to fund these data repository companies. It will only end if we change it. Would we settle for clinical data culled from EMRs to direct patient care and call it peer reviewed research (rhetorical)?

### **Control Your Data**

As far back as ancient Greece, data was God. The Oracle of Delphi and the Temple of Apollo became the oracle using data that was meticulously collected thereby becoming the epicenter of predictions, prevention and geopolitical control. Data needs to drive quality, better patient outcome and computational learning from those contributing on the Front Lines. Controlling data, adjudicating it precisely and accurately is the future of medicine. It will not be accurate enough from insurance companies, big pharma or device companies. In fact, it is best found, created, adjudicated and re-adjudicated in the patient encounter by expert physicians in the field. Principle-Centered Medicine<sup>TM</sup> physicians provide their best data and outcomes. We need to cultivate the data and prove it.

### **Longitudinal Outcomes Research**

A starting point is strong prospective registries that are well-adjudicated by experts or "principled" investigators/physicians such as ACOI members. Data Science such as sold by Optum can only organize their data retrospectively. Retrospective groups of atrial fibrillation or cardiac arrest patients are much more skewed and weak than well-organized prospective registries examining the same. In fact, longitudinal prospective real data is more valuable for clinical appropriate use than most randomized clinical trials (RCTs) today because of the computational strength available today and the highly exclusive RCTs. Non-profit organizations such as the ACOI are perfectly positioned to link your practices to easy to use registries where you own the data and the organization leverages the overhead for your practices to demonstrate true outcomes (more on this in coming perspectives). Creating strong group-based quality metrics that are real rather than contrived and then translating this to quality versus poor outcomes and eventually artificial intelligence towards management is only as good as your input and expertise, which the ACOI is committed to preserving.

Bilbo Baggins scrapped into middle world, we should too. The wellness of our profession and our physician colleagues demands it.

Respectfully Submitted.

Martin C. Burke, DO, FACOI



## government RELATIONS

Timothy McNichol, JD

### **ACA Impacted by Administrative Activity**

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently announced that it would stop making collections and payments under the Affordable Care Act's (ACA) risk adjustment program in response to a court ruling issued by the US District Court for the District of New Mexico. This announcement by the Administration is significant because the risk adjustment program is one of three premium stabilization programs central to controlling insurance costs under the ACA.

The Administration also announced that it will reduce grants to Navigators established under the ACA to drive enrollment through the Federally Facilitated Exchange. CMS recently announced that it will award up to \$10 million to fund the Navigator program. This is down from \$36 million last year and \$63 million the previous year. Collectively, these decisions by the Administration could impact the cost and availability of health care coverage by altering the composition of the risk pool as well as directly impacting the cost of premiums. The ACOI will continue to monitor legislative and administrative efforts to deconstruct and reform the ACA.

### **DOJ Fraud Efforts Set New Records**

The Department of Justice (DOJ) recently announced the filing of charges against 601 individuals for their alleged involvement in healthcare fraud schemes. The fraud activity involved more than \$2 billion in Medicare, Medicaid and TRI-CARE billings. Of those charged, 162 defendants were allegedly involved in prescribing and distributing opioids and other prescription narcotics. The defendants include 76 physicians. In addition, the DOJ announced that in the past year 2,700 individuals have been excluded from federal health care programs because of their role in the diversion and abuse of opioids. According to the DOJ, this was the largest ever healthcare fraud enforcement action with charges being filed against 165 licensed medical professionals in 58 federal districts. In announcing the DOJ's healthcare fraud enforcement action, Attorney General Jeff Sessions noted that it was accomplished in part by hiring more prosecutors and expanded use of data analytics.

### **Appropriations Process Underway**

The Senate Appropriations Committee recently approved a \$179.3 billion spending package for the Departments of Health and Human Services and Labor for fiscal year 2019. The bill increases funding for medical research and provides funds to fight the opioid epidemic. Included in the package is a \$2 billion increase in funding for the National Institutes of Health and an increase of \$145 million to address opioid abuse. Also included in the appropriations package is a \$195 million increase for mental health treatment, raising funding to \$3.4 billion. In addition, the appropriations package provides an increase of \$113 million for public health preparedness, raising the appropriations up to \$3.5 billion. This is just one of many steps that must be taken before the appropriation package arrives at the President's desk for enactment. The ACOI will continue to closely monitor appropriation activities affecting physicians and their patients.

### **Opioid Legislation Approved by the House**

After two weeks, and the approval of more than 20 separate bills to address the

expanding opioid epidemic, the House approved a comprehensive, bipartisan package addressing opioid abuse and diversion. Included in the bipartisan package are reforms to the Medicare and Medicaid programs, as well as reforms to other public health programs. According to a joint statement released by the chairs of the House Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means, "This package is not Congress' first legislative response to this crisis, nor will it be our last. But it does include meaningful solutions that will update archaic policies, better equip our communities to respond to the evolving epidemic, and save lives." Legislation is continuing to work its way through the Senate. Advancing opioid-related legislation continues to be a bipartisan effort transcending geographic and partisan lines. The ACOI will continue to closely monitor congressional activity on this important issue.

### Washington Tidbits Agent 711

How does a volunteer army defeat a global superpower? While the answer is multi-faceted and complex, the importance of the actions of Agent 711 and Agent 721 cannot be over-stated. Agent 711 directed Agent 721 to create a counterintelligence system. He did so by enlisting the services of merchants, tailors. farmers and other citizens whom he knew and trusted. Collectively, they became known as the Culper Spy Ring and formed the first intelligence community for the emerging nation. They worked to pass information to Agent 711, as well as to disseminate misinformation that intentionally made its way to the enemy. It was later discovered that Agent 721 was a gentleman by the name of Major Benjamin Tallmadge. Agent 711 was the young Nation's first spymaster – George Washington! The outcome of the Revolutionary War would have been very different had it not been for the successful creation and use of the Nation's first intelligence community.

### **Board Nominations**

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mittee and has served on the Governance Committee and CME Committee. He has been an Active ACOI member since 2000 and was awarded the degree of Fellow in 2006. Dr. Adornetto was first elected to the Board of Directors in 2011.

Robert A. Cain, DO, FACOI is a board certified internist and pulmonologist in Powell, OH. He is the Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education at the Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine in Athens. Dr. Cain has broad experience in medical education, including service on the ACOI Council on Education and Evaluation. He is the Chair of the ACGME's Osteopathic Principles Committee. He was instrumental in developing the ACOI's Path to Mastery Curriculum for internal medicine residencies. Dr. Cain also has served on the AOA's Council on Postdoctoral Training and was the director of medical education and internal medicine residency program director at Grandview Hospital in Dayton, OH. Dr. Cain has been an Active member of the ACOI since 1994 and received the degree of Fellow in 2001. He was first elected to the Board of Directors in 2014.



Laura M. Rosch, DO, FACOI, is a board-certified general internist in Chicago, IL. She is the chair of the Department of Internal Medicine and a clinical assistant professor of OMM at Midwestern University-Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine in Downers Grove, IL. She is a past president of the Illinois Osteopathic Medical Association and currently serves on the ACOI CME Committee and Development Committee. Dr. Rosch practices as a hospitalist and formerly was the osteopathic internal medicine residency program director at Mount Sinai Medical Center. She has been an Active ACOI member since 1997 and

achieved the degree of Fellow in 2001.



Amita Vasoya, DO, FACOI, is board certified in internal medicine, pulmonary diseases, critical care medicine and sleep medicine. She is clinical assistant professor of medicine at Sidney Kimmel Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University, Christiana Care Pulmonary Associates, Christiana Care Health System and pulmonary education coordinator, education program evaluation committee member. at Christiana Care Pulmonary Associates, Christiana Care Health System. She is also associate program director for the Chistiana Care Adult Cystic Fibrosis Program, Christiana Care Health System in Newark, Delaware.

Dr. Vasoya has served on the ACOI Committee on Minority Health and Cultural Competency since 2009, including one year as Chair. She has lectured extensively for the ACOI and served as subspecialty section chair and education coordinator for both the Pulmonary and Sleep Medicine sections. An ACOI Active member since 2001, Dr. Vasoya achieved the degree of Fellow in 2005. She was first elected to complete an expiring term on the Board of Directors in 2017.



Annette T. Carron, DO, FACOI, of Troy, MI, is board certified in internal medicine, geriatric medicine and hospice and palliative care medicine. She is a geriatrician at Henry Ford Memorial Hospital in Clinton Township, MI. She also is a clinical lecturer at Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine and has an active hospice practice. Dr. Carron completed her internal medicine training at Botsford Hospital and a geriatric medicine fellowship at George Washington University in Washington, DC. She is Chair of the ACOI Task Force on Osteopathic Integration and the Task Force on Physician Wellbeing. She also serves on the Development Committee and is active in the Geriatrics and Pallia-

tive Medicine Subspecialty Sections of the College. She chaired the convention program in 2017. Dr. Carron has been an Active member of the ACOI since 1995. She achieved

the degree of Fellow in 2002. She was first elected to the Board of Directors in 2008.

The Nominating Committee this year is chaired by John B. Bulger, DO, MBA. Also serving are Robert L. DiGiovanni, DO, and Susan M. Enright, DO. Any Active member of the ACOI may nominate other qualified candidates by submitting the nomination to the Executive Director. Such nominations must be supported by the signatures of 30 Active members of the College; they also must include a brief statement of qualifications and must be received no later than 30 days prior to the date of the election. Further information is available from the Executive Director.

### Research Abstract Poster Contest

Residents, fellows, and students of internal medicine and its subspecialties: ACOI's 2018 Research Abstract Poster Contest is now accepting submissions!

Cash awards of \$1,500, \$1,000, and \$500 will be made for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place posters as judged at the 2018 Convention, October 17-21, in Orlando, FL. In addition, the top three finishers will present their work at a plenary session of the Convention and receive reimbursement of their travel costs (1-2 nights at hotel and coach air travel), if not paid by your program.

Abstract subjects are to be related to internal medicine and its subspecialties. There are no restrictions as to content, and the entry may represent, but is not limited to: original research, a retrospective analysis, a prospective analysis, etc.

A second category for competition will include an interesting case or several cases analyzed with a review of the literature and supporting or refuting contemporary attitudes in literature. There will be separate cash awards of \$500, \$250 and \$100 for the top three case presentations. Unfortunately, funding constraints do not allow reimbursement for travel for the top three finishers in the competition.

Visit our <u>website here</u> to download the application. We look forward to receiving your applications!



## talking Science education

Donald S. Nelinson, PhD

Greetings colleagues and welcome to the July, 2018 issue of Talking Science and Education. In the east, the heatwave has broken and we are enjoying spectacular warm days, cool nights, and in Vermont lots of bear and moose activity.

In last month's population health quiz, we asked which of the states listed has fewer than 100 primary care physicians per 100,000 population. The answer, Idaho, has particular relevance to our ACOI family as we are hoping this population health deficit will change in the not-so-distant future. This due to this year's admission of the first class at Idaho's first medical school: the Idaho College of Osteopathic Medicine. ICOM is joining the osteopathic academic community under the leadership of founding dean and chief academic officer Robert Hasty, DO, FACOI, FACP. Robert also serves on the ACOI Board of Directors.

Well, we had a number of respondents to last month's trivia question, with Patricia LoRusso, DO of the Yale Cancer Center in New Haven, CT being the first to send in the correct answer. Congratulations, Dr. LoRusso. Don't forget, the first respondent with the correct response receives valuable prizes.

This month we will look at dental care in our population health trivia question. Which of the following states has more than 80 dentists per 100,000 population?

- A. New York
- B. California
- C. New Jersey
- D. Hawaii

Remember: no Googling!!!

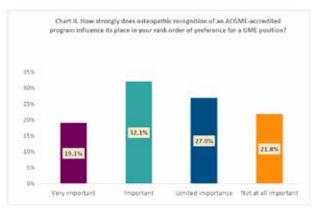
Send your answer to <u>don@acoi.org</u>.

### **Talking Education**

As we are less than two years away from the completion of the transition to single GME. I wanted to look at some of the data related to the training of osteopathic physicians and how the move to single GME is affecting training of new graduates.

With unified GME, we are ensuring that the evaluation of, and accountability for, the competency of physicians in GME programs are consistent across all programs. This gives osteopathic graduates the same educational opportunities as their allopathic colleagues, something that was found to be of particular importance to them when choosing their postgraduate programs, according to data compiled by AACOM in 2015.

Yet, with these same opportunities, we know our graduates see the importance of maintaining their osteopathic identity and advancing osteopathic principles and practices as they enter residency.



One interesting trend found in the 2013-2017 Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS) data set is a robust increase in the pool of candidates from osteopathic schools, with a very modest increase from allopathic schools. In addition, we can see match rates increasing for osteopathic candidates

while remaining flat for their allopathic counterparts. (see graph #2 on page nine)

When we look at the ERAS data for osteopathic graduates matching into internal medicine programs in particular, this trend is even more pronounced. (see graph #3 on page nine)

And these residents are largely contributing to our primary care fields. (see graph #4 on page nine)

Osteopathic medical education is growing within our undergraduate and graduate communities. This is evidenced by the creation of new osteopathic medical schools and campuses. Currently there are 34 accredited colleges of osteopathic medicine in the United States with 51 campuses in 32 states. As we all know, where a doctor trains is most often where she tends to establish practice; and in the case of osteopathic medicine, our trainees frequently practice in historically underserved areas.

While the transition to single GME has brought some challenges to our educational programs, the benefits of cross-pollination are being enjoyed by trainees, faculty, and patients. Traditionally allopathic programs are welcoming osteopathic trainees and seeking osteopathic recognition. The ultimate benefactors of this integration will be our patients. ACOI encourages all internal medicine training programs to seek and secure osteopathic recognition, thereby ensuring the continuation of thinking and practicing osteopathically, and bringing excellent medical care to our patients.

### **Diabetes Dialogues**

The Effect of a Diabetes Diagnosis on Family Members: Can There Be a Silver Lining?

When someone is diagnosed with diabetes, other family members seem more likely to adopt healthy lifestyle changes, too. A new study found that partners of people newly-diagnosed with diabetes were 50 percent more likely to attend weight management classes and 25 percent more likely to get medication to help quit smoking. They were also slightly more likely to get their blood sugar, blood pressure and cholesterol checked; lose a meaningful amount of weight; and get a flu shot than people

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### How ACOI's Generational Advancement Fund is Making a Difference For A Student Leader



(This is one in a series of interviews with medical students who are strongly committed to the College and why they believe it has made a difference in their lives. This series is presented by Barbara L. Ciconte, CFRE, Development Counsel to ACOL)

Meet Akaraphan "Art" Sukanthanag – now a 2nd Year medical student at the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific, Western University of Health Sciences. During his first year in medical school, he served as SOIMA Vice President

Although no one in his family was a doctor, Art always had an interest in medicine because he wanted to help people in an impactful way. He and his family moved from Anchorage, Alaska to Los Angeles when he

was a child. Art did his undergraduate degree at the University of California at Irvine. His experience shadowing hospitalists that allowed him to see how DOs operate led him to choose an osteopathic medical school.

**Ms. Ciconte:** Have you ever attended an ACOI Annual Convention?

**Mr. Sukanthanag:** No, I did not attend the 2017 convention but do hope that I can attend this year's convention in Orlando.

**Ms. Ciconte:** As the SOIMA Vice President, have you had a Visiting Professor session?

**Mr. Sukanthanag:** Yes, on May 24th, Dr. Keith Reich conducted a Visiting Professor session that was a primer on how to present difficult news to patients and their family members. It was an extremely enjoyable and interactive session. Dr. Reich also shared with us various perspectives from his career as an internist, CEO of a medical group, and Director of a fellowship program. These experiences provided information to our students that would normally be hard to come by. Our SOIMA was very pleased, however, the session was scheduled as we were approaching finals so the turnout was smaller than we expected.

**Ms.** Ciconte: What are some of the challenges facing medical students today?

**Mr. Sukanthanag**: In the pre-clinical years, the content covered in our classes is very challenging, certainly more complicated than undergraduate courses. A strong, integrated clinic component is important for medical students.

With the single accreditation process going into effect in 2020, we need to make ourselves more competitive due to the limited number of residency spots available. Our faculty is recommending that we take the USMLE and COMLEX exams so that we are able to apply for a higher number of residency programs, thus increasing our chances of obtaining a position. I believe there are some

residency programs that only look at either one or the other, so our school encourages us to take both to better compete with other medical students.

Ms. Ciconte: How can ACOI help?

Mr. Sukanthanag: I would say that the ACOI needs to continue offering Visiting Professor sessions and grants to medical students to attend the Annual Convention. These activities will help us pursue osteopathic internal medicine. It is important for the College to work with residency programs to continue their osteopathic recognition. By building strong partnerships with the AOA and AMA, the ACOI will enable more equal representation for DOs. Our SOIMA club is currently working with undergraduate clubs and other osteopathic associations to promote osteopathic medicine.

Ms. Ciconte: Your Visiting Professor session and grants to student leaders to attend the Annual Convention are thanks to gifts to the ACOI's Generational Advancement Fund. What would you say to encourage more ACOI members to contribute to the Fund?

Mr. Sukanthanag: I would thank them as ACOI members for their financial support. It is definitely a necessity for ACOI to run these programs to promote and make the case for osteopathic internal medicine. Medical students do not have time for fundraising to put on these programs or travel to the convention. The support ACOI provides to these efforts is a practical way to support students who are interested in internal medicine.

Since ours is the only osteopathic medical school in our region, we need to be able to compete with the others. With ACOI's help, we will be able to raise awareness and enlighten our students about the residency application process.

### 75th Anniversary Campaign Honor Roll of Donors

(Outright Gifts and Multi-Year Commitments of \$1,000 or more as of June 30, 2018)

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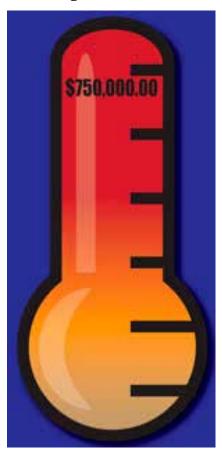
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## **Visiting Professor Session at WesternU COMP**

Dr. Reich engaged the students actively, and presented about numerous topics including the general residency application process, his own path to IM, as well as a primer on how to deliver unfortunate news to patients. His presentation was quite diverse and useful, offering us new insights into medical practice as an internist from many different perspectives. – Akaraphan "Art" Sukanthanag



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Dr. Reich
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## 2018 Convention Will Introduce New Hospital Medicine Interest Group

The 2018 ACOI Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions will take place Oct. 17-21 in Orlando, FL. The Orlando World Center Marriott will be the host hotel for the meeting. Following up on the recent conclusion of the ACOI's 75th Anniversary celebration, the Convention theme this year is: "Osteopathic Internal Medicine: the Next 75 Years."

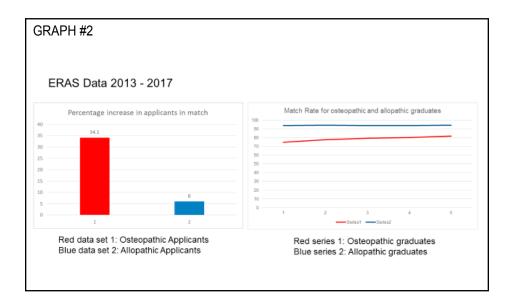
For those practicing as hospitalists, the ACOI is creating a new special interest group that will organize during the Convention. The purpose of the group will be to provide guidance to the College on education and other services that would enhance hospitalists' ability to serve their patients. The organizational meeting will take place on Thursday, Oct. 18. Scott Girard, DO, a hospitalist and member of the Board of Directors, will moderate the session. Two additional sessions specifically for hospitalists will be offered on Friday and Saturday mornings.

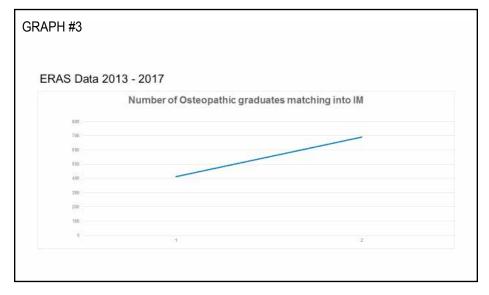
In keeping with the ACOI's commitment to addressing all aspects of osteopathic internal medicine care, a limited attendance session will be offered for those who are interested in learning more about how OPP/OMM is relevant to their patient care. The half-day session, "Exploring the Role of OPP in Daily Patient Care," will be offered on Saturday, Oct. 20, and will be limited to 24 participants. It will include a mix of discussion and case examples that seek to distinguish between thinking osteopathically and treating osteopathically. Robert A. Cain, DO, and Annette T. Carron, DO, will facilitate this session.

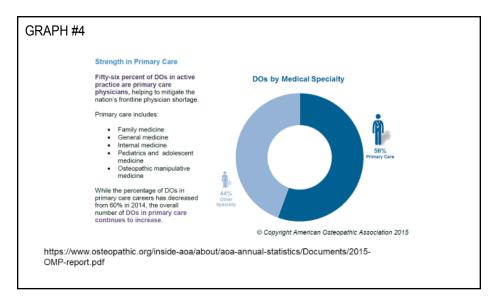
There also will be a day-long series of presentations on Florida and other state law requirements for maintaining licensure. Daily keynote sessions will include a presentation by Christian T. Cable, MD, who is chair of the ACGME Internal Medicine Residency Review Committee. Dr. Cable, who recently became the first MD accepted for full Active membership in the ACOI, will speak on: "Osteopathic Medicine from the Outside In."

### **Talking Science & Education**

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whose partners didn't have diabetes. 1

The investigators wanted to know if a diabetes diagnosis affected other people in the household in the year following diagnosis. There are many implications and potential opportunities coming from these data. When one person in a family gets diabetes, it can be a little scary. But it's also an opportunity to help them reduce their risk of complications, as well as a good time to help others in the household/family.

According to the 10th Edition of Xinhua Zidian (Chinese dictionary), the characters used to depict the word "crisis" can be translated to mean "a point where things happen or change." Clinicians and health systems should help family members take advantage of this opportunity to make lasting changes.

Every internist is challenged in some way or another with the management of the approximately 27 million Americans with T2DM.<sup>2</sup> As we know, one of the cornerstones of type 2 diabetes management is healthy lifestyle changes, often with medication. People with type 2 diabetes are encouraged to improve their diet, increase their physical activity levels and, if they smoke, to quit.

Partners and children of people with type 2 diabetes may also be at increased risk of the disease due to genetics and shared lifestyle habits. This study looked at nearly 181,000 couples in Kaiser Permanente's Northern California health plan. The researchers compared couples with a new diagnosis of diabetes in one partner with couples who didn't have diabetes. The study didn't address the reasons why a diabetes diagnosis in one partner can lead to healthy behavior changes in the other. But the authors posited that exposure to diabetes education, lifestyle changes and weight management has a "positive effect on the partner." They went on to suggest that the diagnosis of diabetes can be a wake-up call for the partner, as well.

<sup>1</sup>Schmittdiel, JA, et al. Influence of a new diabetes Diagnosis on the health behaviors of the patient's partner. Ann Fam Med: July/August 2018 16:290-295; doi:10.1370/afm.2259

<sup>2</sup>https://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/pdfs/data/statistics/national-diabetes-statistics-report.pdf

# American College of Osteopathic Internists Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions October 17-21, 2018 Orlando World Center Marriott, Orlando, FL "Osteopathic Internal Medicine: The Next 75 Years"

Wednesday, Octob 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon	per 17, 2018 Practice Management Symposium	10:00 AM – 12:15 PM	PLENARY SESSION Charlene LePane, DO, FACOI, Moderator
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Hierarchical Condition Category (HCC) Coding, Risk Adjustment and Outcome Scores Speaker TBD	10:00 AM – 10:45 AM	The Benefits and Limits of PPIs with Warfarin Regimens Charlene Lepane, DO, FACOI
10:00 AM – 10:45 AM	Medical Marijuana: The Blurred Boundaries of Politics and Medicine C. Clark Milton, DO, FACOI	10:45 AM – 11:30 AM	Case Report: Elevated AST, ALT with No History of Liver Disease; You Make the Diagnosis! Maryam Roden Kashi, DO
10:45 AM – 11:00 AM	BREAK	11:30 AM – 12:00 Noon	Advances in Endoscopy
11:00 AM – 11:45 AM	Providing Patient Care by Caring for the Doc Pamela S.N. Goldman, DO, FACOI	12:00 Noon - 12:15 PM	Gary L. Cornette, DO, FACOI  Q&A with Panel
11:45 AM – 12:00 Noon	Q&A with Panel	12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	LUNCHEON SYMPOSIUM
11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon	New Member and First-Time Attendee Orientation Q&A with ACOI Board of Directors Martin C. Burke, DO, FACOI, President, Moderator		Unraveling the Effects of Antihyperglycemic Agents on Cardiovascular Risk Speaker TBD
12:00 Noon – 1:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK (on your own)	1:15 PM – 3:30 PM	PLENARY SESSION Keith A. Reich, DO, FACOI, Moderator
1:00 PM – 3:30 PM	PLENARY SESSION George G. Sokos, DO, Cardiology Moderator	1:15 PM – 1:50 PM	Mimickers of Vasculitis
1:00 PM – 1:40 PM	Diabetic Heart Disease: A Ticking Time Bomb! Robert J. Chilton, DO, FACOI	1:50 PM – 2:30 PM	Eugene Jalbert, DO  Rheumatology Labs for the Primary Care Physician
1:40 PM – 2:30 PM	Women and Heart Disease Prevention:		J. Michael Finley, DO, FACOI
	Should We Be Doing Anything New? Kathleen J. Drinan, DO, FACOI	2:30 PM – 3:20 PM	Building an Improved Management Strategy for Osteoporosis Sarena Ravi, MD
2:30 PM – 2:45 PM	BREAK	3:20 PM – 3:30 PM	Q&A with Panel
2:45 PM – 3:20 PM	Surgical vs. Percutaneous Coronary Revascularization in Patients with Diabetes and Acute Coronary	3:30 PM – 3:45 PM	BREAK
	Syndrome	3:45 PM – 6:00 PM	PLENARY SESSION
	Christopher Cook, MD	0.101.111 0.001.111	MarkAlain Dery, DO, FACOI, Moderator
3:20 PM – 4:00 PM	Cardio-Oncology: New Insights into an Old Problem Christopher Bianco, DO	3:45 PM – 4:30 PM	HIV and The Realities of #GettingToZero MarkAlain Dery, DO, FACOI
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Tests I Wish You'd Never Ordered Gerald W. Blackburn, DO, MACOI, Moderator Mark D. Baldwin, DO, FACOI Martin C. Burke, DO, FACOI	4:30 PM – 5:15 PM	New Antimicrobials and Rapid Diagnostics: Implications for Antibiotic Stewardship Mia A. Taormina, DO, FACOI
	Pedro A. Espat, DO, FACOI J. Michael Finley, DO, FACOI	5:15 PM – 5:45 PM	Controversies of Prospective Clinical Infectious Diseases: Point-Counterpoint MarkAlain Dery, DO, FACOI &
6:00 - 7:30 PM	Welcome Reception		Mia A. Taormina, DO, FACOI
Thursday, October	r 18, 2018	5:45 PM – 6:00 PM	Q&A with Panel
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	SUNRISE SESSIONS  1) Hyponatremia Mark D. Baldwin, DO, FACOI	5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Women Physicians Discussion Group Susan M. Enright, DO, FACOI & Amita Vasoya, DO, FACOI Co-Moderators
	2) Hospitalist Interest Group – Organizational Meeting Scott L. Girard, DO, FACOI	5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Alumni Receptions
	3) Creating & Formatting Successful Lectures Annette T. Carron, DO, FACOI	Friday, October 19	9, 2018
8:00 AM – 8:05 AM	WELCOME/OPENING REMARKS President/Program Chair Martin C. Burke DO, FACOI, President	7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	SUNRISE SESSIONS  1) Artificial Intelligence Martin C. Burke, DO, FACOI
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8:05 AM - 9:30 AM	PLENARY SESSION – KEYNOTE Cardiovascular Disease Prevention: Current Knowledge, Future Directions		3) Hospitalist Interest Group: Neurology in the Hospital Roberta Rose, DO
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Daniel B. Levy, MD  EXHIBIT BREAK		4) Evidence-Based Education: We've Talked the Talk, Now Let's Walk the Walk! Donald S. Nelinson, PhD

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	PLENARY SESSION - KEYNOTE Osteopathic Medicine from the Outside In	4:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Endocrine Hypertension John R. Sutton, DO, FACOI
0:00 AM 42:00 Noon	Christian T. Cable, MD	5:00 PM – 5:15 PM	Q&A with Panel
9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon	PLENARY SESSION Daniel L. Maxwell, DO, FACOI;		
	Amita Vasoya, DO, FACOI,	4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	BREAKOUT SESSION Resident Research Presentations
0.00 AM 0.40 AM	Co-Moderators	4.00 FIVI - 3.00 FIVI	Samuel K. Snyder, DO, FACOI, Moderator
9:00 AM – 9:40 AM	Evaluation and Treatment of the Suspicious Solitary Pulmonary Nodule:		
	When is a Biopsy Necessary? Speaker TBD	6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Convocation of Fellows and Reception
9:40 AM - 10:20 AM	The Preoperative Pulmonary Evaluation	Saturday, Octobe	
40.20 AM 40.45 AM	Elizabeth Chapaton-Rivard, DO	7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Subspecialty Section Business Meetings Allergy – Julie Sterbank, DO, FACOI
10:20 AM – 10:45 AM	EXHIBIT BREAK		Cardiology – George G. Sokos, DO
10:45 AM – 11:20 AM	Monoclonal Antibodies in the Treatment of Severe Allergic Asthma		Cardiogenic Shock – George G. Sokos, DO Endocrine – John R. Sutton, DO, FACOI
	Daniel L. Maxwell, DO, FACOI		Gastroenterology - Charlene LePane, DO, FACOI
11:20 AM – 11:55 AM	OSA Newer Treatment Options and the Non-		Geriatric Medicine – Annette T. Carron, DO, FACOI Hematology/Oncology – Mary Jo Voelpel, DO, FACOI
	Compliant Patient Michelle Zetoony-Nudell, DO, FACOI		Targeting the Jak Pathway in Intermediate or
11:55 AM – 12 Noon	Q&A with Panel		High-Risk Myelofibrosis - Harry P. Erba, MD, PhD Infectious Disease – MarkAlain Dery, DO, FACOI
	20.1		Nephrology – Samuel K. Snyder, DO, FACOI;
9:00 – 12:00 Noon	BREAKOUT SESSION		Jeffery Packer, DO, FACOI Nuclear Medicine – James C. Clouse, DO, FACOI
	Medical Educators Faculty Development –		Palliative Medicine – Leonard R. Hock, DO, FACOI
	Susan M. Enright, DO, FACOI, Chair, Council on Education and Evaluation		Pulmonary/CCM/Sleep Medicine – Daniel L. Maxwell.DO, FACOI
	Rick A. Greco, DO, FACOI &		Amita Vasoya, DO, FACOI
	Matthew R. Hardee, DO, FACOI, Co-Moderators		Evaluation and Empiric Treatment of the
9:00 – 12:00 Noon	Topics/Speakers TBD		Undiagnosed Sleep Apnea Patient in the Perioperative Period - Speaker TBD
12:00 Noon - 1:00 PM	LUNCHEON SYMPOSIUM		Rheumatology – Keith A. Reich, DO, FACOI
12.00 NOOH - 1.00 FW	Addressing Unmet Needs in Type 2 Diabetes	7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	SUNRISE SESSIONS  1) Hospitalist Interest Group: Getting Comfortable
	Management with Injectable Medications  Jeffrey S. Freeman, DO, FACOI		with Critical Care in the Hospital
1:00 PM - 2:45 PM	PLENARY SESSION		Patrick C. Cullinan, DO, FACOI
1.00 FWI - 2.43 FWI	Julie Sterbank, DO, FACOI, Moderator		Washington Update:     Legislation, Regulation and a Changing Court
1:00 PM – 1:50 PM	Fungal Sinusitis		Timothy W. McNichol, JD
	Steven Houser, MD	8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	PLENARY SESSION – KEYNOTE
1:50 PM – 2:40 PM	Chronic Urticaria Julie Sterbank, DO. FACOI		The Doctor Will See You Now A Prescription for Dealing with Change
2:40 PM – 2:45 PM	Q&A with Panel		Raymond J. Mis, DO, FACOI
2:45 PM - 5:15 PM	PLENARY SESSION		PLENARY SESSION James C. Clouse, DO, FACOI, Moderator
	John R. Sutton, DO, FACOI, Moderator	9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	Radioactive Iodine Therapy for Hyperthyroidism
2:45 PM – 3:30 PM	Hyperosmolar Hyperglycemic State Erika Kretchman, DO	3.407 W	Mark Tulchinsky, MD
3:30 PM – 3:45 PM	BREAK	9:45 AM- 10:30 AM	PLENARY SESSION Annette T. Carron, DO, FACOI, Moderator
3:45 PM – 4:30 PM	T2DM: Outpatient Insulin Management	9:45 AM – 10:15 AM	The Artificial Feeding Controversy:
	Eric S. Langer, DO, FACOI	0.407 W 10.107 W	Who, What and When?
	DDEAL(OUT OFFICIAL)		Sonali Wilborn, MD
3:45 – 5:00 PM	BREAKOUT SESSION MINORITY HEALTH AND	10:15 AM - 10:30 AM	BREAK
	CULTURAL COMPENTENCY	10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	LTACHs – Role in the Future of Healthcare Jerome Wilborn, DO
	How to Recognize and Address the Impact of Violence on Your Patients	11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	PLENARY SESSION
	Watson Ducatel, DO, FACOI		Leonard R. Hock, DO, Moderator
	and Minority Health Committee Members	11:00 AM – 11:40 AM	Palliative Medicine Update 2018  Jason Beckrow, DO, FACOI
		11:40 AM – 12:25 PM	Withdrawal Leonard R. Hock, DO, MACOI
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12:25 PM – 12:30 PM	Q&A with Panel		
7:30 AM – 5:30 PM	BREAKOUT SESSION STATE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS Samuel K. Snyder, DO, FACOI, Moderator	1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	BREAKOUT SESSION OSTEOPATHIC PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES Exploring the Role of OPP in Daily Patient Care OPP/OMM/OMT
7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	FL Rules and Regulations SpeakerTBD	1:00 pm -1:20 pm	(Limited Space, Separate Registration Required) Welcome and Orientation to the Course Addressing "Why"
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Domestic Violence SpeakerTBD		Robert A. Cain, DO, FACOI & Annette T. Carron, DO, FACOI, Co-Moderators
9:30 AM – 9:45 AM	BREAK	1:20 pm - 2:00 pm	The Osteopathic Lexicon: What Do We Mean By OPP, OMM, and OMT?
9:45 AM – 11:45 AM	Ethics Mitchell D. Forman, DO, FACOI & W. Donald Havens, MD, JD		(This session will begin with a small group discussion and report out, followed by a short presentation.)
11:45 AM – 12:15 PM	AIDS MarkAlain Dery, DO, FACOI	2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Balancing Patient Care Influenced by OPP and Patient Care Guided by OPP
12:15 PM – 1:00 PM	LUNCH (on own)		(This session will address 'thinking osteopathically,'
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Opioid Prescribing Update Thomas F. Jan, DO		beginning with a large group discussion and ending with a short presentation.)
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Quality and Safety	2:30 pm - 2:45 pm	BREAK
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	SpeakerTBD	2:45 pm - 4:00 pm	OMM
4.00 FIVI - 3.00 FIVI	Human Trafficking SpeakerTBD		Participants will select one of three topics.  There will be a short presentation on the topic by a content expert/facilitator. This will be
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM	BREAKOUT SESSION RESIDENT/FELLOW/STUDENT SESSION (and Reception) Scott L. Girard, DO, FACOI, Moderator Sara Ancello, DO & Joshua Layher, DO, Co-Moderators		followed by a discussion and interactive learning opportunity. Each group will be asked to create a verbal report of key takeaways from their topic to share with the larger audience.  1. Problem-directed treatment versus finding or dysfunction-directed treatment  2. Searching the osteopathic literature and applying it to patient care  3. Optimizing documentation and reimbursement
12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	LUNCHEON SYMPOSIUM Breathing New Air into COPD & Asthma Amita Vasoya, DO, FACOI	4:00 pm - 4:45 pm	A Model for Presenting Evidence-based OMM Cases
1:15 PM – 3:00 PM	PLENARY SESSION Samuel K. Snyder, DO, FACOI & Jeffrey Packer, DO, FACOI, Co-Moderators		Case: Optimizing COPD Outcomes Through the Lens of Osteopathic Medicine (This is an interactive presentation with group discussion about how to apply the information shared.)
1:15 PM – 1:50 PM	Nephrology in the World of Climate Change Samuel K. Snyder, DO, FACOI	4:45 pm - 5:00 pm	Wrap up and discussion about future courses.
1:50 PM – 2:20 PM	Onco-Nephrology David Sommerman, DO		
2:20 PM – 2:50 PM	Evolving Technologies in the Future World of Green Nephrology Robert Kossman, MD	<b>Sunday, October</b> 7:30 AM – 8:00 AM	SUNRISE SESSION Polycythemia Vera and the Implications of Uncontrolled Disease
2:50 PM – 3:00 PM	Q&A with Panel	8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Mary Jo Voelpel, DO, FACOI PLENARY SESSION
3:00 PM - 3:15 PM 3:15 PM - 5:30 PM	BREAK PLENARY SESSION Mary Jo Voelpel, DO, FACOI, Moderator	6.00 AW - 9.00 AW	Hospitalist Interest Group: What the Oncologist Wants the Hospitalist to Know Kevin P. Hubbard, DO, MACOI
3:15 PM – 4:15 PM	Advances in Acute Myeloid Leukemia Harry P. Erba, MD, PhD	9:00 AM – 9:15 AM	Memorial Lecture John R. Sutton, DO, FACOI
4:15 PM – 5:15 PM	CAR-T Therapy Carrie Riccobono, MSN, RN	9:15 AM - 10:00 AM	Annual Meeting of Members
5:15 PM – 5:30 PM	Q&A with Panel	10:00 AM	Convention Concludes
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### REGISTRATION FEES **REGISTRATION CATEGORY** (please check appropriate box(es)) ON/BEFORE SEPT 26 AFTER SEPT 26 □ ACOI Member (Training completed PRIOR to 6/30/2013)......\$775.....\$775.....\$825 □ ACOI Young Internist Member (Training completed AFTER 7/01/13) .......\$645.....\$695 □ ACOI Retired/Emeritus Member.....\$695 □ Non-Member Physician.....\$995.....\$1045 \_\_\_\_\_\$395......\$445 ☐ Resident/Fellow (List Training Institution)\_\_\_\_ □ Resident/Fellow Displaying a Poster (List Training Institution)......\$345 \_\_\_\_\_N/C.....N/C ☐ Student (List Osteopathic College attended) \_\_\_\_ □ Non-Physician Health Care Professional (RN, PhD, RD, etc.)......\$775......\$775......\$825 ☐ State Licensure Requirements - Saturday, Oct. 20 7:30 am - 5:30 pm This fee applies ONLY if you do not register for full Convention......\$345 Spouse/Guest Registration \$175 Spouse/Guest registration includes entry to the education sessions, daily continental breakfast, and all social events, including one ticket to the Opening Reception. **ON-SITE ACTIVITIES** (please check appropriate box(es) □ BEAUMONT/BOTSFORD □ CCOM/AZCOM □ DMUCOM □ KCUMB □ LMU-DCOM □ MCLAREN/MCCOMB □ MSUCOM □ PCOM/PCOM-GA □ ROWAN □ WVSOM ☐ Saturday, Oct. 20 - 7:30 am - 5:30 pm State Licensure Requirements **OFF-SITE ACTIVITIES** You will also need to complete the separate registration form included in this packet. Club and shoe rentals are separate and paid directly to the Hawks Landing Golf Club. ☐ PLEASE NOTE: Check here if you plan to stay at the Marriott Orlando World Center. (Separate hotel registration is required. This does not register or guarantee a room at the

**OVER**...More registration information on reverse side. Both sides must be completed for form to be processed. You may also register online at www.acoi.org

☐ SPECIAL NEEDS: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, every effort has been made to make this conference and activities accessible to people of all

capabilities. Please list specific special assistance needed, or any dietary restrictions, or contact Susan Stacy at susan@acoi.org, 301 231-8877.

hotel. Online registration for the hotel is available by visiting https://book.passkey.com/go/ACOI2018)



### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

### **EDUCATION SESSION FEES**

Fees for the 2018 education sessions are based on ACOI membership status and length of time in practice. Active members (training completed prior to 6/30/13) pay \$775; Young Internists (training completed 7/01/13 or later) pay \$645; Emeritus and Retired members pay \$645; Residents and Fellows pay \$395 (\$295 for Research Contest entrants). Non-member Physicians pay \$995; Non-Physician Health Care Professionals may register for the ACOI member rate of \$775. There is no charge for students. Spouse/guest registration is \$125. These fees include a \$50 early registration discount, which applies until September 26, 2018. Registrations received after that date do not qualify for the discount.

### WHAT DOES REGISTRATION INCLUDE?

Physician registration for the Convention includes entry to all education sessions, the Exhibit Hall, daily continental breakfast and luncheon symposia and one ticket to the Opening Reception. Luncheon seating is limited. Spouse/Guest registration includes entry to the education sessions, daily continental breakfast in the Exhibit Hall, and all social events, including one ticket to the Opening Reception. (Due to limited seating, guests may not attend the luncheon symposia.)

### **HOTEL INFORMATION**

The Orlando World Center Marriott is the headquarters hotel for the 2018 ACOI Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions. All educational and social events will take place there. ACOI has arranged a discounted room rate of \$259 per night (single/double). Additional local taxes apply. Early reservations are suggested as the hotel is likely to sell out and does not have to honor ACOI's discounted rates after **September 26, 2018**. Reservation information is available by calling 800 - 228-9290; or visit *https://book.passkey.com/go/ACOI2018*.

### **PAYMENT INFORMATION**

You may register online, by mail or fax for the 2018 ACOI Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions. Secure online registration is available through the ACOI website. Visit **www.acoi.org** and click on the convention registration link on the home page. You may also use the registration form in the Convention Packet to register by mail or fax. Payment may be by check payable to ACOI or charged on VISA or Mastercard. Complete the required information on the white Registration Form and return it to the ACOI at the address listed on the form.

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Please note that refund requests must be made in writing to ACOI prior to September 26, 2018. No refunds will be made after September 26, 2018, but unused registration fees may be applied toward a future ACOI education activity. A processing fee of \$100 will be charged for cancellations received at any time.

### **ACOI GENERATIONAL ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM**

Donations are requested to assist the ACOI in providing a medical textbook to each resident and student registered for the Convention. Textbook prices average \$125. In addition, the ACOI provides grants to representatives of the internal medicine clubs on the campuses of osteopathic medical schools to defray the cost of attending the Convention. All contributions are acknowledged in the printed program if received prior to the publication deadline. Suggested donation is \$125, but contributions in any amount are welcome. Your donation may qualify as a tax deductible charitable contribution. ACOI is a 501(c)(3) organization and no goods or services are provided in return for the contribution. A separate receipt will be provided for your records.

## CME CALENDAR

## Future ACOI Education Meeting Dates & Locations NATIONAL MEETINGS

- 2018 Annual Convention & Scientific Sessions
   Oct 17-21 Orlando World Center Marriott, Orlando, FL
- 2019 Internal Medicine Board Review Course
- 2019 Clinical Challenges for Inpatient Care
- 2019 Exploring New Science in Cardiovascular Medicine
- 2019 Congress on Medical Education for Residency Trainers
   May 7-12 Baltimore Marriott Waterfront Hotel, Baltimore, MD
- 2019 Annual Convention & Scientific Sessions
   Oct 30- Nov 3 JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa, Phoenix, AZ
- 2020 Annual Convention & Scientific Sessions
   Oct 21-25 Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort, Marco Island, FL
- 2021 Annual Convention & Scientific Sessions
   Sept 29-Oct 3 Marriott Marquis Hotel, San Francisco, CA

Please note: It is an ACOI membership requirement that Active Members attend the Annual Convention or an ACOI-sponsored continuing education program at least once every three years.

Information on any meeting listed here may be obtained from ACOI Headquarters at 800 327-5183 or from our website at <a href="https://www.acoi.org">www.acoi.org</a>.

### 2018 Certifying Examination Dates & Deadlines

### **Internal Medicine Certifying Examination**

Computerized Examination 300 Sites Nationwide September 12-14, 2018 - Application Deadline: Expired

### **Internal Medicine Recertifying Examination**

Computerized Examination 300 Sites Nationwide September 12-14, 2018 - Application Deadline: Expired

### Internal Medicine Recertifying with a Focus in Hospital-Based Medicine Examination

Computerized Examination 300 Sites Nationwide September 12-14, 2018 - Application Deadline: Expired

### **Subspecialty Certifying Examinations**

Computerized Examination 300 Sites Nationwide

August 28-30, 2018 - Application Deadline: Expired

- Cardiology Critical Care Medicine Endocrinology Gastroenterology
- Hematology Hospice and Palliative Medicine Interventional Cardiology
- Infectious Disease Nephrology Oncology Pulmonary Diseases Rheumatology

### **Subspecialty Recertifying Examinations**

Computerized Examination 300 Sites Nationwide

August 28-30, 2018 - Application Deadline: Expired

- Cardiology Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology Critical Care Medicine Endocrinology
- Gastroenterology Geriatric Medicine Hematology Hospice and Palliative Medicine
- Infectious Disease Interventional Cardiology Nephrology Oncology
- Pulmonary Diseases Rheumatology Sleep Medicine

Further information and application materials are available by contacting Daniel Hart, AOBIM Director of Certification at <a href="mailto:admin@aobim.org">admin@aobim.org</a>; 312 202-8274.

Contact the AOBIM at <a href="mailto:admin@aobim.org">admin@aobim.org</a> for deadlines and dates for the Allergy, Sports Medicine, Pain Medicine, Undersea/Hyperbaric Medicine and Correctional Medicine examinations.

## Resources Available for ACGME Osteopathic Recognition

As part of the College's ongoing effort to assist all internal medicine residency programs complete the transition to ACGME accreditation and achieve Osteopathic Recognition, ACOI is pleased to announce the development of an Osteopathic Recognition (OR) Tool Box.

The toolbox includes numerous resources that will help programs through the process. The resources in the tool box may be accessed by here.