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MO ACP Governor's Newsletter - June 2025



GOVERNOR'S MINUTE

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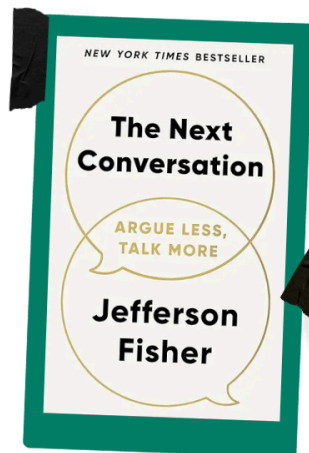
The Missouri ACP delegation recently returned from a successful trip to Washington, D.C., where they joined colleagues from across the country to advocate for key issues affecting internal medicine and our patients. It was a strong team effort, and we're hopeful that their advocacy will help move the conversation forward at the national level.

I'd also like to take a moment to recognize Dr. Bill Fogarty, who has participated in these advocacy trips for over 30 years. As he approaches his 90th birthday, his dedication and leadership have been nothing short of inspiring. His decades of service have set an example for all of us, and it may soon be time to begin passing the torch to the next generation of physician advocates.



*Attendees of 2025 ACP Leadership Day with
MO U.S. Representative Wesley Bell.*

As we move into the summer months, we hope everyone is able to take some time to rest, recharge, and enjoy a well-earned break. Thank you for all you do to support the mission of ACP and the health of our communities. Warm regards.



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WHAT THE GOVERNOR IS
**CURRENTLY
READING**

"No matter who you're talking to, *The Next Conversation* gives you immediately actionable strategies and phrases that will forever change how you communicate."

MO Poster Wins National Competition

Medical students Sophia Ford and Krishny Karunanandaa, both from St Louis University School of Medicine, were co-authors on a poster, "Pseudohyponatremia in the Setting of an Unusual Presentation of

Multiple Myeloma," that won first place at the National ACP Poster Competition in New Orleans in April. Ford was the presenter of the poster at the Missouri competition, and took first place. Karunanandaa then presented the poster at the National competition, taking home first. Great work and congratulations!



Registration is Open for Hospitalist Day and the MO ACP Internal Medicine Meeting



It's time to sign up for one or both of Missouri ACP's fall meetings. Our education committee has developed excellent agendas for the events.

Additionally, we will hold our annual awards luncheon, where we celebrate our members who are receiving Missouri ACP awards. Saturday will be a fun day, as we will have not only our educational sessions but also the Student and Resident Poster Competition and Doctor's Dilemma.

Don't forget to:

1. [Register today for the meeting\(s\)](#)
2. [Book your lodging](#)
3. Tell your friends what a great time they'll have and encourage them to come!

New ACP Paper Offers Tips for Effective Collective Advocacy

Physicians are increasingly frustrated with the nation's healthcare system. The erosion of the patient–physician relationship, diminished clinical independence, the mounting burden of administrative tasks, and the growing influence of non-clinicians in the healthcare system have left many physicians disempowered, demoralized, and burned out. As a result, physicians, most of whom are employed by hospitals, health systems, and other organizations, are exploring collective action to enhance their ability to deliver high-quality care to patients, regain control of their profession, and improve their well-being. In this position paper, the American College of Physicians offers recommendations on how physicians can become effective advocates for their patients and their profession through advocacy, the organized medical staff, responsible collective bargaining, and other means.

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Urgent: Protect Medicaid Access

Congress is considering proposals that would significantly cut and restructure Medicaid, jeopardizing coverage for millions of low-income Americans, children, people with disabilities, and the elderly. Proposed changes include block grants, per capita caps, work requirements, and

reduced federal funding, which could strain state budgets and force cuts to eligibility, benefits, or provider payments.

Medicaid covers over 79 million Americans and is jointly funded by states and the federal government. Cuts could lead to widespread loss of coverage, reduced access to care, and closures of rural hospitals.

Take Action: Contact your members of Congress and urge them to oppose any changes that would reduce Medicaid coverage or access to care.

New ACP Paper Explores Ethics of Long-Term Care

A new ACP position paper highlights the ethical challenges and systemic flaws in U.S. long-term care, calling for a shift toward patient-centered, equitable, and accountable care. Published in *Annals of Internal Medicine*, the paper cites inadequate staffing, poor oversight, and profit-driven models as key issues, worsened by the COVID-19 pandemic. It urges ethical, evidence-based practices that respect patient dignity, promote equity, and improve transparency and accountability.

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Master the EHR Before Residency: Free Module for IMGs

FAIMER®, a division of Intealth™, offers a free, optional 2–4 hour learning module titled “**Introduction to the US Electronic Health Record (EHR)**” for matched international medical graduates (IMGs). Designed by FAIMER physician experts, the module helps IMGs prepare for U.S. residency by familiarizing them with EHR systems, including legal and documentation practices specific to the U.S. Learners can also practice using a sample EHR. 81% of users report feeling better prepared for their residency’s EHR orientation after completing the module and recommend it in advance of residency.

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Medical Forensic ECHO

Increase capacity of health care systems to respond to sexual assault.

Upcoming session: July 2, 2025 from 8am-9am CT

Didactic Topic: Empowering Sexual Assault Response Teams (SARTs)

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Upcoming Events

2025 MO Internal Medicine Meeting & Hospitalist Day

September 11-13, 2025 | Margaritaville Lake Resort, Osage Beach, MO

Hospitalist Day: September 11

Internal Medicine Meeting: September 12-13

[Add Hospitalist Day to Your Calendar](#) | [Add Internal Medicine Meeting to Your Calendar](#)

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