#2 | OCTOBER 2024 **WELCOME TO OUR** Bi-Monthly Newsletter ne re so glad you're a member!

From the President

Michael C. Bond, MD, FACEP

Fall is in the air. Some of you are enjoying Pumpkin Spice Lattes and getting the Halloween decorations out. The Chapter Councilors and Board have been busy preparing for the ACEP Scientific Assembly and Council Meeting. The ACEP Council Meeting was held on September 27 and 28th. Tony Cirillo, MD, FACEP was elected President, and the three new ACEP Board Members are: Jennifer J. Casaletto, MD, FACEP; Diana B. Nordlund, DO, JD, FACEP; and C. Ryan Keay, MD, FACEP. Heidi C. Knowles, MD, MS, FACEP was re-elected. The Councilors, led by Dr. Jonathan Hansen, MD, FACEP, reviewed all 70 resolutions and voted on whether they would be used to shape ACEP's actions over the next several years. I want to thank Kerry Forrestal, MD, FACEP; Philip Magidson, MD, FACEP; Jon Mark Hirshon, MD, PhD, FACEP; Karen Dixon, MD, FACEP; R. Gentry Wilkerson, MD, FACEP; Timothy Chizmar, MD, FACEP for their service to Maryland ACEP and the Council Meeting.



In local news, MedChi and the HSCRC have begun discussions on the next iteration of the Maryland CMS Waiver. Called AHEAD, you can find more information on the proposed model. Please reach out to Maryland ACEP if you have any opinions on the planned implementation. The website noted should be updated as the model develops.

Please mark you calendars for these Maryland ACEP events:

- December 6th Board Meeting All Members are welcome
- January 22nd Legislative Reception Red, Red Wine Bar
- March 27th Education Conference and Annual Meeting <u>SMC Campus Center</u>

A plea, please consider meeting with your local Maryland delegate now, during the off season so that you have a personal relationship with them prior to the legislative session. The delegates really do listen to their constituents so having a personal relationship can really help shape legislation. Waiting until they are in session is too late to shape how you think legislation should be enacted.

I want to thank J. David Gatz, MD and Edana Mann, MD for organizing a great Practice Management Panel to discuss the closure of C4 "Critical Care Coordination Center" that helped many of the states emergency departments find an available critical care resource when their hospital was lacking. The practice management committee is planning other webinars, so if you have an idea for one please let us know.

May you all have a safe and productive fall season!

PRE-COUNCIL SUMMIT

An Update

Our annual Pre-Council Summit was held this year on Friday, September I3th at MedChi in Baltimore. This year I5 Chapter Board Members, Councillors, and Alternate Councillors met to review the 2024 ACEP Council Meeting resolutions thoroughly. A lively and comprehensive discussion was held and decisions were made on the 70 resolutions that were discussed during the Council Meeting in Las Vegas. During our Pre-Council Summit, national ACEP candidates joined virtually via Zoom.



YOUR CHAPTER LEADERS AT WORK!

Resolutions, Resolutions, and more Resolutions!

COUNCIL MEETING



Council Meeting Update

Karen Dixon, MD - Councillor



The ACEP Council consists of members representing ACEP's 53 chartered chapters (50 states, Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia and Government Services), its sections of membership, the Association of Academic Chairs in Emergency Medicine (AACEM), the Council of Emergency Medicine Residency Directors (CORD), the Emergency Medicine Residents' Association (EMRA) and the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine (SAEM). The Council elects the President-Elect and four members to the Board of Directors each year and the Council Speaker and Vice Speaker every two years. The Council ensures "grassroots" involvement in ACEP's democratic decision-making process. The Council is a deliberative body that meets once a year for two days in conjunction with the College's annual Scientific Assembly. The Council votes on resolutions, including changes to the Bylaws, College Manual, and the Council Standing Rules, which may be submitted by any two members. Resolutions guide policy development and activities of the College. Whether it is a resolution or a Bylaws amendment, actions of the Council are also voted on by the Board of Directors.

Despite difficulties arriving due to the hurricane, we had an unprecedented early finish to the 2024 ACEP Annual Council Meeting with 422 Councilors in attendance in Las Vegas, Nevada. After 2-days of rigorous debate and discussion, with tests of parliamentary procedure, 70 resolutions were presented to the Council. Topics of interest included rural emergency department staffing with physicians, stop the bleed training advocacy for atrisk communities, and making boarding and crowding a part of root cause analysis requirements. We had a robust discussion regarding an effort to reform EMTALA to improve patient access to care. Despite many enthusiastic speakers for and against resolutions, we were done in record time for the resolution portion of the meeting.

Next year's Scientific Assembly will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, September 7-10, 2025.

Ideas Contest for HSCRC

WIN \$1,000 DOLLARS!



The HSCRC just released an ideas contest – (modest) cash prizes for ways to improve health care in Maryland. A focus on patients who return again and again to the emergency department. Winners present to state health leadership. Win some money, earn a seat at the policy table and represent emergency medicine!

Deadline: Friday, October 25th (5:00 PM EST)

READ MORE HERE



Board Meeting FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2024

Join us for our last Board Meeting of the year. All members are welcome!

II:00 AM EST Via Zoom



Legislative Reception WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2025

The chapter annual Legislative Reception will be again held at <u>Red, Red Wine Bar</u> in Annapolis. Join us, shake hands with key legislators & their staff and advocate for our specialty - registration is required!

FIND OUT MORE

REGISTER HERE

SAVE THE DATE!

2025 EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE & ANNUAL MEETING

We are excited to again begin the planning of our annual educational conference. We will host this event at the SMC Campus Center located at the University of Maryland. Dynamic speakers presenting key topics, CME will be given, networking opportunities, breakfast, and lunch. Registration will open soon!

> Calling all Residents - want bragging rights? Their will be an opportunity for you to win the Linder Cup for your program. You will be able to keep the Linder Cup at your residency for a year. Winner gets a \$250 gift card. Spread the word!



Educational Conference and **Annual Meeting**

THURSDAY, MARCH 27 2025, 8:00AM EST

University of Maryland 6th Annual Resident SMC Campus Center Competition for the Linder 621 West Lombard St Cup Baltimore, MD Linder Cup is Up for March 2025 Grabs! SAVE THE DATE Earn your 2025 CME credit hours! You Won't Want to Miss It!

Has a company visited your emergency department? Let them know about the opportunity to sponsor our conference. Representatives can contact Adriana Alvarez, Maryland ACEP Executive Director for more information.

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