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President's Message

Dear Colleagues,

First and foremost, I would like to thank our Immediate Past-President, Dr. Natasha Powell for her leadership during this past year, which has been both personally and professionally difficult for emergency medicine physicians in DC and beyond.

In the midst of a pandemic, Dr. Powell was able to successfully implement a town hall series to guide physicians in DC on how to provide high quality care for patients affected by COVID-19. She was also able to work with the chapter to ensure that EM physicians have adequate personal protective equipment. Additionally, under her guidance, the chapter wrote and passed several timely resolutions regarding diversity and inclusion. We appreciate Dr. Powell's service and look forward to her continued active participation in our chapter.

During our last meeting, we held elections for the upcoming year. It is my pleasure to introduce the following new officers:

- Dr. Marisa Dowling as President-Elect
- Dr. Natalie Sullivan as Director
- Dr. Stanislaw Haciski as Secretary/Treasurer
- Drs. Anna Scanlin and Melissa Templeton Georgetown Resident Directors

- Drs. Ashleigh Omorogbe and Anahita Rahimi-Saber as George Washington University Resident Directors

Our new leadership team is looking forward to *ACEP21* in Boston and welcomes every member's involvement in the chapter. As a reminder, we are currently soliciting topics for council resolutions and appreciate your input.

I would also like to formally congratulate Dr. Aisha Terry on her successful campaign to become President-Elect of ACEP! As a former DC ACEP Chapter President, as well as a current member of the ACEP Board of Directors, we are lucky to have her expertise and guidance. Dr. Terry's accomplishments are truly impressive, and we cannot wait to see her future achievements.

In this upcoming year, we are looking forward to using the lessons learned during the pandemic to improve the care we provide to patients and continue to advocate for and build our specialty. I will focus on protecting our scope of practice, ensuring that our work environments are safe for all staff and patients, and continuing to reduce the administrative burden placed on EM physicians. Please stay tuned for an upcoming town hall discussion with our chapter and national leadership regarding the EM Workforce. Please join us for the DC ACEP EM Workforce Town Hall on **Tuesday, June 8th at 6:00PM EST**. Please see additional details below.

This year presents many opportunities for us to stay engaged and I am truly grateful for the opportunity to serve as your DC ACEP Chapter President. [Please feel free to reach out at any time.](#)

We are here to support you and your career!

Upcoming Chapter Events EM Workforce Town Hall

As part of DC ACEP's commitment to provide support for the future of our specialty, we will host an EM Workforce Town Hall.

**Tuesday, June 8th
6:00PM EST**

[Register Here](#)

[More details are available here.](#)



Are you concerned about the future of
Emergency Medicine?

EM WORKFORCE TOWN HALL

Hosted by DC ACEP Chapter



Tuesday, June 8th
6:00PM EST

REGISTER HERE





Edward Salsberg, MPA
Panelist
Physician Workforce Authority
Primary Investigator of EM Workforce Study



Aisha T. Terry, MD, MPH, FACEP
Panelist
ACEP Board Member
ACEP President-Elect Candidate

There are 8-key considerations they national ACEP is committed to addressing that will be discussed during the Town Hall.

- Stem the growth of emergency medicine residents and residency programs.
- Raise the bar & ensure consistency across EM residency training.
- Ensure business interests are not superseding the needs of educating the workforce.
- Support practicing physicians to encourage rewarding practice in all communities.
- Advocate that NPs and PAs working in the unique environment of ED have sufficient specialty training and work as a member of the emergency physician-led team.
- Set the standards for EM so every patient has access to a board-certified EP.
- Broaden the umbrella to expand eEM physician scope of practice.
- Expand the reach of EM to ensure that no community is left behind.

[Watch Video](#)

[Read More Here](#)

New Chapter Leaders

Do you know who are some of the newly elected chapter leaders?



Anna Scanlin is a current resident at the MedStar Georgetown/Washington Hospital Center (WHC) Emergency Medicine program. She completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Texas at Austin where she obtained a Bachelor of Science in Nutrition. She graduated medical school with a distinction in medical education from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. She visited Washington, DC for an away rotation during her 4th year of medical school and knew this was where she wanted to be for residency. She has been a member of ACEP since medical school and is excited to be more involved with the DC Chapter.



Melissa Templeton is one of the Resident Directors from MedStar Georgetown/WHC. She is a rising 2nd year EM resident and practices primarily out of Washington Hospital Center, as well as Georgetown University Hospital. She grew up outside of Boston and stayed in New England for both her undergraduate and medical degrees, attending Northeastern University and Quinnipiac University, respectively. Melissa found herself moving to DC after a fantastic away rotation at Georgetown as a medical student and is enjoying exploring the District in her free time. She looks forward to becoming involved in the DC ACEP chapter this year.

Join us in congratulating Drs. Scanlin & Templeton on their new roles!

Social Media

Did you know that there are many valuable benefits to social media for a non-profit organization such as the DC ACEP Chapter?

A list of a few of the benefits are the following:

- The ability to uncover industry trends in real-time.
- Provide better customer service.
- State the chapters position over legislative issues that affect emergency medicine across the state.
- Build a better search engine presence for the chapter.
- Appeal to younger, social-savvy potential members.
- Social media platforms allow organizations to tell their story.
- Messages can help engage supporters, increase awareness, and promote fundraising initiatives.

- Facilitates the sharing of ideas, thoughts, and information through the building of virtual networks and communities.

Why is it important to know this? The chapter is looking to fill a Social Media Ambassador position.

What is the role, responsibilities, and terms of this position? [Read details here.](#)

Where will you get the content for the chapter Facebook and Twitter channels? Adriana our Chapter Executive Director will be providing you with most of the content. However, it will also be your responsibility to watch for important content at the local level that should be shared immediately via social media - to get the word out. For example, you may hear about something at your local hospital that could potentially affect all emergency departments and emergency physicians in Maryland.

If you like social media and are interested in this position, [please reach out.](#) Additionally, if you have social media, please follow us on Facebook and Twitter and retweet or like our posts so that we can build a better search engine presence for the chapter.

We need your support of the chapter social media channels!



Congratulations!

2021 National ACEP Pam Bensen Trailblazer Award Recipient

Join us in congratulating Dr. Rita A. Manfredi-Shutler for receiving one of the highest national ACEP awards that are given.

A well deserved award!

Dr. Manfredi will be recognized during *ACEP21* in Boston and more information about this award will be posted on national ACEP's website [here.](#)



Welcome New Members!

A special welcome to the new members of the District of Columbia Chapter and to those that renewed their membership with the chapter. We are excited to have you.

Akini Moses
Andrew C Meltzer, MD, FACEP
Angelica Marie Rego
Bryan Steven Montes Calero
Caleb E. Ward, MD, MPH, FAAP
Damali N Nakitende, MD
Eliese Burrows, MD
Emily Etling
Eric Murakami, MD
Esha Uday Mehta
Gregory O Mathelier
Janice Carol Blanchard, MD, PhD

Jean M. Williams, MD, FACEP
Kevin Davey, MD
Lilian Anosike
Malika Fair, MD, MPH, FACEP
Matthew Alexander Tovar
Melissa Baker
Pei-Ying Chang Kobres, MPH
Peter William Sweetser
Tenagne W Haile-Mariam, MD
Timothy B Harmon, MD, MPH
Walter Palmer, MD
Warren Earl Tripp, MD, FACEP

You may wonder if you should get involved with District of Columbia ACEP or EMRA or at the national level? We encourage you to please get involved!

If you are unsure about how to get involved, feel free to contact the chapter [directly](#).

FROM NATIONAL ACEP



Featured News

EM Physician Workforce of the Future

- [The Workforce Solutions infographic outlines ACEP's next steps.](#) (May 5, 2021)
- [Workforce Considerations: ACEP's Commitment to You and Emergency Medicine](#) (ACEP Now - April 21, 2021)

[National EMS Week is here!](#) ACEP is proud to partner with NAEMT to feature National EMS Week as a year-round initiative to create significantly greater visibility of EMS among health professions and communities. ACEP thanks the [generous organizations](#) that are supporting this year's initiatives.

In the May 19th edition of *Capital (30) Minutes*, ACEP's advocacy team provides a legislative update on new legislation and recent hearings, a regulatory update on Buprenorphine practice guidelines and Surprise Medical Billing, and an advocacy update on Scope of Practice coalition and LAC in July. [Watch the recap.](#)

[ACEP's COVID-19 ED Management Tool](#) was updated this week and is now available on the MDCalc website and in their app. (May 14, 2021)

[ACEP Responds to Regulation that Proposes Modifications to HIPAA](#) (Regs & Eggs Blog - May 14, 2021)

Problem Solving: It's What We Do. In her [new post on ACEP Lately](#), Executive Director Sue Sedory provides **updates on EM workforce, sepsis, ultrasound, advocacy and more.** (April 30, 2021)

[Early Outcomes of Bivalirudin Therapy for Thrombotic Thrombocytopenia and Cerebral Venous Sinus Thrombosis after Ad26.COVID.S Vaccination: A Case Report](#) (*Annals of EM* - April 28, 2021)

[Physician on Trial: What to Expect](#) (*ACEP Now* - April 23, 2021)

[AAP, ACEP and ENA Call For Improving Emergency Care for Children in Joint Policy Statement](#) (ACEP Newsroom - April 21, 2021)

New/Revised Policies

ACEP's new and revised policies allow you to bill more for your bottom line, makes sure you are entitled to fair and equitable compensation and are provided contractual transparency.

- [Compensation Arrangements for Emergency Physicians](#) - Revised April 2021
- [Emergency Physician Compensation Transparency](#) - Approved October 2020
- [Emergency Physician Contractual Relationships](#) - Revised April 2021
- [Emergency Physician Rights and Responsibilities](#) - Revised April 2021

Upcoming ACEP Events and Deadlines

May 17-21: [EMS Week](#)

May 25: [How to Get Started: Introduction to Healthcare Quality Improvement](#)

June 8: [988-The Future of Suicide Prevention and Crisis Care](#)

July 25-27: [Leadership & Advocacy Conference](#) (Washington, DC) - Register Today

October 25-28: [ACEP21](#) (Boston, MA) - Book your hotel

ACEP Member Benefits

Career Resources: The job market is tumultuous right now. Whether you're actively looking for a position or just want to be a better advocate for yourself with your current employer, ACEP's resources can help. Check out the ACEP [Career Center](#) for information on vetted EM job opportunities, contracts, compensation reports, policy statements and more!

ACEP Member Advantage: Whether on shift or at home, your ACEP Membership provides [perks and discounts](#) from a variety of businesses wanting to support you.

Wellness & Assistance Program: Did you know your ACEP membership comes with three **free** counseling or coaching sessions available through phone, text or

online chat? And for a small extra fee, you can add on **financial and/or legal assistance**. [Learn more about this free member benefit.](#)

Clinical Tools:

- ACEP's [Point-of-Care tools](#) are transforming care at the bedside.
- Feel confident in your ultrasound ability with the re-designed, easy to-use [Sonoguide](#).

Latest **Podcasts**:

- **Annals of EM:** [Hypertension in the ED, ultrasound for COVID, Prediction models for sepsis, and chest pain decision tools in the ED.](#)
 - **ACEP Frontline:** [House Call - Brining EM to the Home with Remote Symptom Monitoring + Medical Clearance- Psych And EM On The Same Page?](#)
 - **Critical Decisions in EM:** Drs. Danya Khoujah and Wendy Chang take on [the great outdoors](#) and discuss the various forms of high-altitude illness + presentation and management of several tick- and mosquito-borne illnesses, such as Lyme disease and West Nile virus, which often go overlooked.
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Pain and Addiction Care in the ED (PACEP) Accreditation

More than 83,000 people in the U.S. are thought to have died of drug overdoses in the 12-month period ending June, a record-breaking number according to the most recent data available from the CDC. Emergency Physicians can help by being part of the solution. ACEP's Pain and Addiction Care in the Emergency Department (PACED) accreditation program provides emergency departments with the tools to elevate the quality of patient care with innovative treatments, alternative modalities, and impactful risk reduction strategies, resulting in positive outcomes for patients, families, providers, and communities. Find out more today – www.acep.org/PACED - and be a leader. Use your unique position to help fight this epidemic at the point of care.

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From the Emergency Medicine Foundation

- Bidding is open for [The World of Travel and Art EMF Online Auction](#). The proceeds will benefit the EM Wellness Grant, and FUJIFILM Sonosite will match any donations and bids.
- [EMF has a new Health Policy Scholar Grant opportunity!](#) Apply by June 11.

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