2020 ACCP Spring Forum Will Offer Something for Everyone

ACCP will return to the St. Louis College of Pharmacy campus on April 25–26 for the 2020 ACCP Spring Forum. Registration is now open at www.accpp.com/sf. Several offerings will be available, including ACCP’s nationally recognized preparatory review and recertification courses in Pharmacotherapy and Critical Care; Academy programming highlighting best practices in Leadership and Management, Research and Scholarship, and Teaching and Learning; the Clinical Practice Forum, designed to help participants implement and optimize comprehensive medication management in their practice; and, finally, ACCP’s popular student program Emerge from the Crowd.

Pharmacotherapy and Critical Care Preparatory Review and Recertification Courses

ACCP’s preparatory review and recertification courses are designed for pharmacy professionals preparing for the Pharmacotherapy or Critical Care Pharmacy specialty certification examinations administered by the Board of Pharmacy Specialties (BPS), for specialists seeking recertification through continuing education, and for those seeking a self-paced refresher of pharmacotherapeutic management of specialty-specific conditions and contemporary clinical practice topics. Each course provides a comprehensive review of the knowledge domains covered in the corresponding specialty examination administered by BPS. The 2020 Pharmacotherapy course will provide up to 22.0 contact hours of pharmacy education (CPE) credit and BCPS recertification credit. The Critical Care course will provide up to 20.0 contact hours of CPE credit and BCCCP recertification credit.

ACCP Academy Programming

The ACCP Academy offers a flexible, curricular approach to enhancing the participant’s skills and experience through one of three professional development programs: Leadership and Management, Research and Scholarship, or Teaching and Learning. Participants in one of the 2020 Academy programs will learn actionable concepts and skills that are immediately applicable to their professional pursuits.

Clinical Practice Forum

The 2020 Clinical Practice Forum will offer a series of hands-on, interactive programs to help practitioners develop and enhance their clinical pharmacy services and deliver comprehensive medication management (CMM). Attendees will get a first look at a new interactive web-based platform to help practitioners implement and develop CMM. In addition, the program will include content on developing business plans for implementing and scaling CMM, incorporating quality metrics into CMM, and expanding CMM into the telehealth environment, among other contemporary topics.

Emerge from the Crowd

This 1-day workshop on April 25, 2020, has been designed for first-, second-, and third-year pharmacy students who plan to pursue postgraduate residency training. Gain insight into how to navigate the residency application process, write an effective letter of intent, create a professional curriculum vitae, and interview successfully.

Additional Spring Forum Activities

Scientific Poster Presentations: All investigators in clinical pharmacy and clinical pharmacology, ACCP members and nonmembers alike, are invited to submit abstracts to be considered for presentation at the ACCP Spring Forum. The deadline for submitting Original Research and Clinical Pharmacy Forum abstracts is February 10; the deadline for submitting Research-in-Progress abstracts is March 2. A description of abstract categories, important dates, and instructions for submission can be found at www.accpp.com/abstracts/2020sfabstracts/.

Fundamentals of Biostatistics and Clinical Trial Design: Developed for pharmacy professionals preparing for one of the specialty certification examinations...
administered by BPS, this premeeting workshop on April 24, 2020, will include an in-depth, hands-on, interactive session focused on the core concepts related to biostatistics and clinical trial design. The workshop will provide up to 5.0 contact hours of CPE credit and is also part of a BPS-approved professional development program for four specialties: Ambulatory Care Pharmacy, Critical Care Pharmacy, Pediatric Pharmacy, and Pharmacotherapy. Seating is limited to 100 participants, so register now to secure your spot.

Clinical Practice Forum
Implementing and Optimizing Comprehensive Medication Management in Your Practice

If you are interested in implementing or optimizing comprehensive medication management (CMM) in your practice, ACCP invites you to the Clinical Practice Forum in St. Louis, Missouri, on Saturday, April 25, and Sunday, April 26. One of the many offerings at the 2020 ACCP Spring Forum, this 2-day series of practice advancement programming will focus on developing and enhancing your clinical pharmacy services to deliver CMM in a variety of practice settings. The 2020 program will include both plenary sessions and interactive, hands-on workshops presented and facilitated by experts in the field. You will learn to apply new knowledge in real time and leave with action plans for implementing, assessing, and scaling CMM.

Be among the first to be introduced to the new interactive web-based platform developed by the CMM in Primary Care Research Team with support from ACCP. Learn about the successes and challenges at existing CMM practice sites, including those within alternative CMS payment models. Learn how to incorporate quality, productivity, and patient access into the design and evaluation of your CMM service. Discover the key elements of a successful business case, and develop a business plan for implementing or scaling your CMM service.

Find out about CMM’s impact on provider work-life, the incorporation of pharmacogenomics into CMM, and the implementation of CMM telehealth services. Don’t miss this opportunity to gain knowledge and practical tools to apply in your practice.

To review the complete schedule and register, click here.

We hope to see you in St. Louis!

All-Star Health Policy Lineup Announced for "Get the Medications Right: Innovations in Team-Based Care" Summit

ACCP’s leadership in providing foundational support to help launch the Get the Medications Right (GTMRx) Institute in April 2019 ushered in a new era of the College’s advocacy portfolio. Building on the success of ongoing ACCP efforts to position and advance clinical practice and research, GTMRx has brought together a diverse range of stakeholders – including Johnson & Johnson and Quest Diagnostics – dedicated to advancing practice transformation and payment and policy solutions to optimize medication use through team-based, patient-centered care delivery and advanced diagnostics.

In addition, for the first time, the profession is becoming more unified around a clear pharmacy-wide comprehensive medication management (CMM) advocacy message, and the College welcomes its colleague organizations American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) and American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) to the GTMRx table.

Almost 1 year into this collaboration, ACCP is excited to announce the first major public GTMRx summit on February 6, 2020, Get the Medications Right: Innovations in Team-Based Care. Hosted in conjunction with the well-known Washington, D.C.–based think tank Bipartisan Policy Center, the summit will focus...
on multi-stakeholder activities that encourage practice transformation, create pathways for disseminating evidence and innovation, and support payment and policy reform.

**Bipartisan Policy Center/GTMRx Summit Registration**

All ACCP members are eligible to participate in the Innovations in Team-Based Care summit livestream (February 6, 2020, 8:30–10:30 a.m. [EST]). Simply click [here](#) to register.

The event already boasts an “all-star” health policy lineup, including the speakers shown below. A full agenda is available [here](#).

- Katherine Herring Capps, Executive Director and Co-founder, GTMRx
- Carolyn Clancy, M.D., Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Discovery, Veterans Health Administration
- Susan Dentzer, MPH, Visiting Fellow, Robert J. Margolis Center for Health Policy, Duke University
- Michael Evans, RPh, Vice President, Enterprise Pharmacy; and Chief Pharmacy Officer, Geisinger
- Elizabeth Fowler, J.D., Ph.D., Executive Vice President for Programs, Commonwealth Fund
- Anand Parekh, M.D., Chief Medical Advisor, Bipartisan Policy Center
- Dan Rehrauer, Pharm.D., Senior Manager, Medication Therapy Management Program, HealthPartners

**About GTMRx**

GTMRx’s goal is to ensure appropriate and personalized use of medication and gene therapies by advocating for a scientific, evidence-based, and cost-effective decision-making process and a team-based, systematic approach to medication use.

GTMRx sponsors and supports multi-stakeholder activities that encourage practice transformation, create pathways for disseminating evidence and innovation, and support payment and policy reform to:

- Advance acceptance and recognition by providers and payers (to include employers) of the importance of creating a systematic, evidence-based approach to medications and their rational use
- Engage physicians, clinical pharmacists, and other team members who share a complete commitment to medication optimization by providing tools, data, practice standards, and implementation resources to advance their ability to optimize medication use in their own settings
- Educate and inform patient groups, Congress, CMS, and payers (to include national health systems such as the VA)

**Want to learn more?**

- [Click here to get involved.](#)
- [Click here to engage in GTMRx webinars.](#)
- [Click here to subscribe to the weekly news brief.](#)

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**ACCP Clinical Research Challenge Registration Available Online**

**Clinical Research Challenge**

Critically evaluating and applying primary literature is an essential skill for clinical pharmacists. Research and scholarship contributes to improved health outcomes for patients and advances in the profession of clinical pharmacy. This innovative and unique competition offers teams of three pharmacy students the opportunity to participate in an online journal club and the chance to submit a clinical research proposal. Team Registration Deadline: February 5, 2020. [Register Now.](#)

**Eligibility**

Participation in the ACCP Clinical Research Challenge is voluntary, and no entry fee is required. The competition is only open to pharmacy students pursuing their first professional pharmacy degree from an accredited institution – or one that has been granted candidate status – who are in the first 2 years of their first professional pharmacy degree program (P1 and P2 students for 4-year programs; P1 and P2 students for 3-year accelerated programs, and the first 2 professional years of 0-6 or 0-7 year programs). Only one team per institution can enter the competition. Institutions with branch campuses, distance satellites, or more than one interested team are encouraged to conduct a local competition. ACCP provides a written examination that institutions may use as a basis for their local competition, if desired. This examination is now available and may be requested by the ACCP faculty liaison or registering faculty member via e-mail. Please address your e-mail request to Michelle Kucera, Pharm.D., BCPS, at mkucera@accp.com.

**Format**

All eligible teams will have the opportunity to compete in round 1: Online Journal Club. Teams achieving the top 40 scores after round 1 will advance to round 2: Letter of Intent (LOI) Submission. In the event of a tie, the top 40
scores will be determined by the time required to complete the online journal club exam.

Teams advancing to round 2 will be provided information regarding the research environment, including a specified budget and timeline in which the proposed research must be completed. Eligible teams will have 2½ weeks to develop and submit an LOI online following the criteria outlined here.

Teams achieving the top 20 scores after the LOI round will advance to round 3: Research Protocol Design and will be invited to submit a complete research proposal. Teams will be notified regarding their status to participate in round 3 via e-mail by March 25, 2020. Proposals are due by April 17, 2020, at midnight (CST). For more information on round 3, click here.

Registration

Students are not required to be members of ACCP to participate. Team registration should be submitted online and must be initiated by a faculty member at the respective institution. Students interested in forming a team should contact their ACCP faculty liaison. The deadline for completing team registration and confirming eligibility is February 5, 2020. For additional competition information, including the schedule, FAQs, and sample questions, click here. Register Now

Register Now for 2020 ACCP/ASHP
Review and Recertification Courses
Early Registration Discounts Expire January 24

Act now to take advantage of discounted registration rates for the upcoming live ACCP/ASHP review and recertification courses. Three courses will be offered March 5–7, 2020, in Henderson, Nevada: Ambulatory Care Pharmacy, Geriatric Pharmacy, and Oncology Pharmacy. Discounted registration rates will apply through January 24, 2020. For more information and to register, visit www.rxcertifications.org/Live-Review-and-Recert-Courses.

The ACCP Journals podcast brings you interviews with journal authors providing insight on their recent publication in Pharmacotherapy or JACCP. Listen in Your Favorite Podcast App

Developed jointly by ACCP and ASHP, these comprehensive 3-day courses rely on a highly interactive and engaging case-based instructional approach to present the domains, tasks, and knowledge statements developed by the Board of Pharmacy Specialties (BPS) for the relevant specialty examination. The registration fee for each 2020 review course includes:

- Online audio recordings of the live course
- Printed course slide decks
- Online access to the course workbook in electronic (PDF) format
- Online access to the practice examination
- Automatic (free) registration to the 2020 webinar “Developing Effective Test-Taking Skills” (to be presented in June 2020)
- The opportunity to earn continuing pharmacy education (CPE) credit for the course

Each course has been approved by BPS for credit toward recertification in the relevant specialty: Ambulatory Care Pharmacy (BCACP), Geriatric Pharmacy (BCGP), or Oncology Pharmacy (BCOP). The registration fee for the 2020 recertification version of the courses includes:

- Online audio recordings of the live course
- Printed course slide decks
- Online access to the course workbook in electronic (PDF) format
- The opportunity to earn continuing pharmacy education (CPE) credit for the course
- Access to the online recertification posttest

ACCP members can register for each live course now at member.accp.com/ACCP-ASHP_Meeting/ACCPASHP 20 Overview.aspx. Course enrollment size is limited, so register now to secure a spot. Discounted registration rates are available through January 24, 2020. Registration will remain open online as long as space is available.
ALL Nomination materials, including letters, curricula vitae or resumes, and other supporting documents, can be submitted online to ACCP. The online nominations portal specifies the nominating materials required for each award, honor, and elective office. This portal is available at www.accp.com/membership/nominations.aspx.

DEADLINES:

Due February 1, 2020 – Nominees’ supporting documents must be uploaded to the nominations portal for the fall 2020 awards (Robert M. Elenbaas Service, C. Edwin Webb Professional Advocacy, Russell R. Miller, Clinical Practice, and Education awards) and the 2021 Therapeutic Frontiers Lecture Award.

Due February 15, 2020 – Nominations for the 2020 Parker Medal, the 2020 “new” awards (New Investigator, New Clinical Practitioner, and New Educator), and the 2020 ACCP Fellows (FCCPs) must be uploaded to the nominations portal.

Due April 1, 2020 – Nominees’ supporting documents must be uploaded to the nominations portal for the 2020 “new” awards (New Investigator, New Clinical Practitioner, and New Educator).

DESCRIPTIONS:

ACCP Fellows: Fellowship is awarded in recognition of continued excellence in clinical pharmacy practice or research. Nominees must have been Full Members of ACCP for at least 5 years, must have been in practice for at least 10 years since receipt of their highest professional pharmacy degree, and must have made a sustained contribution to ACCP through activities such as presentation at College meetings; service to ACCP committees, PRNs, chapters, or publications; or election as an officer. Candidates must be nominated by any two Full Members other than the nominee, by any Fellow, or by any member of the ACCP Board of Regents. Current members of the ACCP Board of Regents, ACCP Foundation Board of Trustees, Pharmacotherapy Publications, Inc. (PPI) Board of Directors, ACCP Credentials: FCCP Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible for consideration. Nomination deadline: February 15, 2020.

Paul F. Parker Medal for Distinguished Service to the Profession of Pharmacy: This award recognizes an individual who has made outstanding and sustained contributions to improving or expanding the profession of pharmacy in an area of professional service – including, but not limited to, patient care, leadership, administration, finance, technology, information processing, service delivery, models of care, and advocacy. The award is not limited to pharmacists or ACCP members. Nominations must consist of a letter detailing the nominee’s qualifications for this award and his or her contributions to the profession of pharmacy; the nominee’s curriculum vitae, resume, or biographical sketch as available; and a minimum of three letters of recommendation. At least one of these letters must be from an individual outside the nominee’s current practice locale. Current members of the ACCP Board of Regents, ACCP Foundation Board of Trustees, PPI Board of Directors, ACCP Parker Medal Selection Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. Nomination deadline: February 15, 2020.

New Investigator Award: This award highlights the research program of a new investigator who has made a major impact on an aspect of clinical pharmaceutical science. Nominees must have been a Full Member of ACCP at the time of nomination and a member at any level for at least 3 years; they must have a research program with a significant publication record having a programmatic theme or an especially noteworthy single publication; and it must have been within 6 years since completion of their terminal professional pharmacy training or degree, whichever is most recent. If an individual pursues an additional degree beyond his or her professional pharmacy degree or training (i.e., Ph.D.), this additional degree will not be considered a terminal degree, and the 6-year interval will extend from completion of the terminal pharmacy training or degree. Nominations will consist of a letter from an ACCP member to the chair of the Awards Committee detailing the nominee’s qualifications for this award and the significance/impact of his or her research program, the nominee’s curriculum vitae, and a minimum of two letters of recommendation from other ACCP members. At least one of these letters must be from an individual outside the nominee’s current institute of practice. Self-nominations are not permitted. Current members of the ACCP Board of Regents, ACCP Foundation Board of Trustees, PPI Board of Directors, ACCP Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. Nomination deadline: February 15, 2020.

New Clinical Practitioner Award: This award recognizes a new clinical practitioner who has made outstanding contributions to the health of patients and/or the practice of clinical pharmacy. Nominees must have been Full Members of ACCP at the time of nomination and members at any level for at least 3 years. In addition, nominees must have completed
their terminal professional pharmacy training or degree (whichever is most recent) within 6 years from the time of selection by the Board of Regents. If an individual pursues an additional degree beyond his or her professional pharmacy degree or training (i.e., Ph.D.), this additional degree will not be considered a terminal degree, and the 6-year interval will extend from completion of the terminal pharmacy training or degree. Fellows of ACCP (i.e., “FCCPs”) are ineligible. Nominations will consist of a letter from an ACCP member to the chair of the Awards Committee detailing the nominee’s qualifications for this award and the significance/impact of his or her clinical contributions, the nominee’s curriculum vitae, and a minimum of two letters of recommendation from other ACCP members. At least one of these letters must be from an individual outside the nominee’s current institute of practice. Self-nominations are not permitted. Current members of the ACCP Board of Regents, ACCP Foundation Board of Trustees, PPI Board of Directors, ACCP Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. **Nomination deadline: February 15, 2020.**

**New Educator Award:** This award recognizes and honors a new educator for outstanding contributions to the discipline of teaching and to the education of health care practitioners. Nominees must have been Full Members of ACCP at the time of nomination and members at any level for at least 3 years. In addition, nominees must have completed their terminal professional pharmacy training or degree (whichever is most recent) within 6 years from the time of selection by the Board of Regents. If an individual pursues an additional degree beyond his or her professional pharmacy degree or training (i.e., Ph.D.), this additional degree will not be considered a terminal degree, and the 6-year interval will extend from completion of the terminal pharmacy training or degree. Fellows of ACCP (i.e., “FCCPs”) are ineligible. Nominations will consist of a letter from an ACCP member to the chair of the Awards Committee detailing the nominee’s qualifications for this award and the significance/impact of his or her clinical contributions, the nominee’s curriculum vitae, and a minimum of two letters of recommendation from other ACCP members. At least one of these letters must be from an individual outside the nominee’s current institute of practice. Self-nominations are not permitted. Current members of the ACCP Board of Regents, ACCP Foundation Board of Trustees, PPI Board of Directors, ACCP Awards Committee, or ACCP staff are ineligible. **Nomination deadline: February 15, 2020.**
President's Column
Diversity in ACCP

Brian L. Erstad, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS

As part of my Incoming President’s Address at the 2019 ACCP Annual Meeting, I noted that in addition to the planned organizational efforts driven by my presidential theme, I wanted to make sure that other initiatives of importance identified by past ACCP presidents were not neglected. For example, the Presidential Task Force formed by ACCP President Jill Kolesar in 2018 was charged to “provide recommendations on how ACCP can help foster increased female leadership within the clinical pharmacy discipline, taking into account your own experiences and the current literature and data relevant to this subject (both within and outside the pharmacy profession).” In its final report to the Board of Regents, the task force, under the leadership of Dr. Judith Jacobi, presented findings that spoke well of women’s involvement in aspects of ACCP, such as Annual Meeting programming and the growing number of female presidents, but noted several other areas for improvement and provided recommendations for future action. Subsequent discussion by the board included the issue of how to foster female leadership, particularly within ACCP.

Let me update you on the progress so far (and areas for improvement) based on the recommendations from the task force. I want to thank ACCP staff, particularly Dr. Amie Brooks, for compiling the following data, which indicate the growing number of women in leadership positions throughout the College, especially over the past 5–10 years:

- ACCP staff members are predominantly female (61%), and women currently hold 56% of positions at the director level or higher (senior director, associate executive director, executive director).
- Women have held 55% of all College committee chair positions over the past 5 years and currently hold 65% of all chair positions.
- Women commonly fill elected positions on the Board of Regents. Over the past 5 years, women have held at least 50% of all board positions.
- A woman has led the College as president of the Board of Regents 60% of the time over the past 5 years compared with 40% when looking at a 10-year period. As background, the 15th ACCP president was Dr. Jean Nappi, the first female to hold that position, who served in 1994–1995. Five additional female presidents were elected in 1996–2015, and three successive female presidents assumed office in 2015–2018, a first for ACCP. The current president-elect is a woman.
- This trend is consistent across all elected officers of the board. Women represent 72% of the elected officers over the past 5 years compared with 54% when looking at a 10-year period.
- For at least the past 7 years, women have accounted for more than 50% of ACCP’s PRN officers.
- Women represent about 50% of all Fellows of the College, despite an early male predominance in the College’s 40-year history.
- Over the 10 years since the Leadership and Management Academy was established, 73% of graduates have been women.
- Faculty mentors of the FIT program are predominantly female (75%). (Of note, although only 7% of FIT participant mentees have been women, one contributing factor is the overall small number of mentees who have completed this program to date.)
- 68% of MeRIT mentors and 71% of MeRIT mentees are women.
- Four female leaders in the profession moderated and presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting session titled “Diversity in Pharmacy Leadership: Breaking the Glass Ceiling.”

During my presidential year, I also want to implement other recommendations of the 2018 Presidential Task Force in addition to appointing a new Presidential Task Force, with Past-President Kolesar as chair, charged to “develop an interorganizational plan that ACCP can propose to other professional pharmacy associations that will promote the advancement of women in leadership positions across the profession.”

As last year’s president-elect, one of my main responsibilities was to develop committee charges and appoint committee members, chairs, and vice chairs. With respect to committee membership, particularly committee chairs and vice chairs, I made appointments on the basis of qualifications (e.g., past service on committees) and statements of interest by ACCP members. As one testament to female volunteerism and leadership within ACCP, in the final appointments for 2019–2020, there are twice as many female as male committee chairs, and the vast majority of vice chairs are female. Furthermore, there is a mix of female/male members on each committee.

Another recommendation by the 2018 Presidential Task Force was to use a standard language format in all communications (e.g., women and men [not girls and
Dr. Kyle Strnad is a critical care clinical pharmacist at the Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio. After earning his Pharm.D. degree at Thomas Jefferson University, he completed his PGY1 pharmacy practice residency and PGY2 critical care residency at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. Strnad maintains a clinical practice setting in the cardiovascular intensive care unit at Cleveland Clinic with an emphasis on post-cardiothoracic surgical care. He cares for patients recovering from valve replacements and/or repairs, aortic repairs, coronary artery bypass grafting, pulmonary endarterectomies, and heart and lung transplants and patients requiring mechanical circulatory support. Strnad also plays an active role in precepting Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience students and pharmacy residents.

Strnad was encouraged early on as a pharmacy student to become involved within ACCP because of support from his mentor, Dr. Cynthia Sanoski. He initially served on an ad hoc task force with well-established pharmacists and states that this experience was the catalyst for his pharmacy career. He likes to highlight the group’s eagerness to integrate his thoughts and illustrate for him a team-friendly approach. After this, he served on the ACCP National Student Network Advisory Committee as both vice chair and chair. During this experience, he had the opportunity to model the initial behaviors and experiences learned while serving on his first task force.

Strnad encourages residents and students to be curious with their learning. He acknowledges the difficulty with transitioning from the pharmacy didactic curriculum to clinical practice. He recommends that, to maximize their time with preceptors, learners talk through difficult topics and ask questions. Strnad also emphasizes the importance of becoming involved with organizations in order to network and open doors.

On a personal note, Strnad learned to fly an airplane before he learned to drive a car. As a teenager, he pursued a possible career as a commercial airline pilot. He began flying lessons when he was just 15 years old and completed his first solo flight 4 days after his 16th birthday. Strnad states: “I still laugh at the notion that ‘the sky’s the limit’ because it’s not – I’ve been there, [and] you can always keep reaching.”

ACCP Member Spotlight: Kyle Strnad

**FCCP Nominations Due February 15**

Are you planning to nominate a colleague for 2020 Fellowship in the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (FCCP)? Fellowship in ACCP recognizes excellence in the practice and science of clinical pharmacy and is awarded to individuals who have made sustained contributions to the College and have demonstrated exceptional performance in clinical pharmacy practice and/or research.

To be considered for Fellowship, candidates must be nominated by any of the following: two Full Members of ACCP, one Fellow of ACCP, or a member of the Board of Regents. Separate letters of recommendation are not required or considered in the evaluation process. Nominees for FCCP must (1) be Full Members of ACCP for at least 5 years, (2) have been in practice for at least 10 years since receipt of their highest professional pharmacy degree (Pharm.D. or B.S.), and (3) have made sustained contributions to ACCP.

Once the 2020 nomination period closes, eligible nominees receive e-mail notification of their nomination and are asked to submit the necessary application materials to be considered for recognition as a Fellow.
Completed applications are reviewed by the Credentials: Fellowship Committee and subsequently submitted for approval by the ACCP Board of Regents.

After nomination by their colleagues, Fellow candidates undergo a comprehensive evaluation of their service to the College and their practice and research accomplishments. Individuals nominated as Fellows must have made a substantial contribution to ACCP through activities such as presentations at College-sponsored meetings; service as a reviewer for ACCP, *Pharmacotherapy*, or the ACCP Foundation; contributions to College publications; service as a committee member; or contributions as a Practice and Research Network chair, chapter officer, or elected ACCP officer or regent. Practice and research criteria evaluated by the committee include examples of patient care service or educational programs developed by the nominee; certifications or other credentials earned; drug therapy management responsibilities; educational presentations; consultanthships; service to publications; original research presentations, projects, funding, and publications; and other professional activities and awards.

Newly elected Fellows are inducted during the College’s Annual Meeting Awards Ceremony and recognized at the Annual Fellows Dinner. Fellows may be recognized by the initials “FCCP” as a part of their title as long as they are ACCP members in good standing.

Submit nominations for 2020 ACCP Fellowship online at www.accp.com/membership/nominations.aspx. The deadline for submitting nominations is February 15. For more information about nominating or becoming a Fellow of ACCP, e-mail us at membership@accp.com.

### FIT/MeRIT Investigator Development

**Informational Calls Scheduled**

The ACCP Foundation will host informational conference calls for anyone interested in learning more about the Foundation’s programs for pharmacist-investigator development: Focused Investigator Training (FIT) and Mentored Research Investigator Training (MeRIT). The primary purpose of each conference call is to help familiarize potential applicants with each program’s process and outcomes. Those interested in learning more about the FIT and MeRIT programs need participate in only one of the informational calls scheduled for each
desired program. Contact Sheldon Holstad (sholstad@accp.com or 913-492-3311) for dial-in information.

**MeRIT informational conference calls:**
- Tuesday, January 28, 2020: 4:00–4:30 p.m. (EST)
- Wednesday, February 12, 2020: 1:00–1:30 p.m. (EST)

**FIT informational conference calls:**
- Tuesday, January 28, 2020: 5:00–5:30 p.m. (EST)
- Wednesday, February 12, 2020: 2:00–2:30 p.m. (EST)

The FIT and MeRIT programs will be held concurrently June 22–26, 2020, on the campus of the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy in Lexington, Kentucky. Letters of intent to attend either program are due by February 28, and full applications are due by March 31, 2020. For an informational brochure or a program application, visit accpfoundation.org/investigator.

### About the Joint Commission of Pharmacy Practitioners (JCPP)

The Joint Commission of Pharmacy Practitioners (JCPP), established in 1977, is a collaboration of 13 national pharmacy organizations representing pharmacists in diverse practice settings who are focused on fulfilling JCPP’s vision that patients achieve optimal health and medication outcomes with pharmacists as essential and accountable providers within patient-centered, team-based health care. JCPP facilitates effective representation of pharmacists on professional, educational, legislative, and regulatory issues through analysis, interpretation, communication, and exchange of views on relevant issues. JCPP serves as a forum on matters of common interest and concern to national organizations of pharmacy practitioners and invited liaison members.

JCPP meets quarterly, and the practitioner organizations chair and host meetings on a rotational basis. JCPP representatives consist of the chief elected and executive officers of the member organizations.

**JCPP Members:**
- Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP)
- Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)*
- American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP)*
- American College of Apothecaries (ACA)
- American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP)
- American Pharmacists Association (APhA)
- American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP)
- American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP)
- College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists (CPNP)
- Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association (HOPA)
- National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations (NASPA)*
- National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP)*
- National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA)

*Indicates affiliate member

### JCPP Pharmacists’ Patient Care Process

In 2013–2014, the Pharmacists’ Patient Care Process was developed by a group of 10 national pharmacy organizations, including ACCP, under JCPP’s direction. The pharmacists’ patient care process aligns with the patient care processes of other health care professionals; at the same time, this process details the unique medication-related aspects of pharmacy practice. This document, developed over a 2-year period, involved an examination of key pharmacy source documents and several comment periods for the organizations to produce the final document, approved May 29, 2014.

### Medication Management Services Definition

Medication Management Services are a spectrum of patient-centered, pharmacist-provided, collaborative services that focus on medication appropriateness, effectiveness, safety, and adherence with the goal of improving health outcomes.

In 2018, JCPP approved a revised and expanded definition and term for the pharmacy profession’s original Medication Therapy Management Services definition to better align with contemporary pharmacy practice: Medication Management Services (MMS). ACCP actively participated in a working group of representatives from 13 national pharmacy organizations to develop this definition for consideration and approval by JCPP. The process included an examination of existing terms and definitions and their use in traditional and evolving health care delivery models, development of a conceptual framework for medication-related services, and release of a draft definition for feedback. Its major components can be found here.
**Strength in Numbers: Your ACCP-PAC Contribution Can Help Advance ACCP’s Medicare Initiative**

Glancing at the impeachment-dominated headlines, it’s understandable that the nation is suffering from political fatigue long before Iowans gather on February 3 for the Democratic caucuses.

However, the work of ACCP-PAC is unaffected by the partisan divide. ACCP-PAC remains committed to building and developing relationships with health care leaders from both parties who are willing to work with colleagues across the aisle to enact health care legislation focused on team-based, patient-centered care that measures and rewards quality and outcomes.

Nevertheless, these moderate bipartisan legislators will likely face significant opposition in their efforts to reach a bipartisan consensus. It is therefore vital that ACCP support such leaders to ensure they remain in Washington and continue to advance policies that meaningfully address the health care issues the nation currently faces.

A well-funded political action committee (PAC) will give ACCP the resources it needs to support its friends on Capitol Hill. ACCP-PAC is the only political action committee dedicated to electing members of Congress who are committed to advancing ACCP’s Medicare Initiative. Contributions from ACCP-PAC to members of Congress will raise the College’s profile on Capitol Hill, improve its standing among key lawmakers, and provide unique opportunities to discuss its initiative with potential congressional champions. ACCP-PAC will also help ensure that elected officials who support ACCP’s initiative remain in office to advance the proposal’s goals in the future.

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