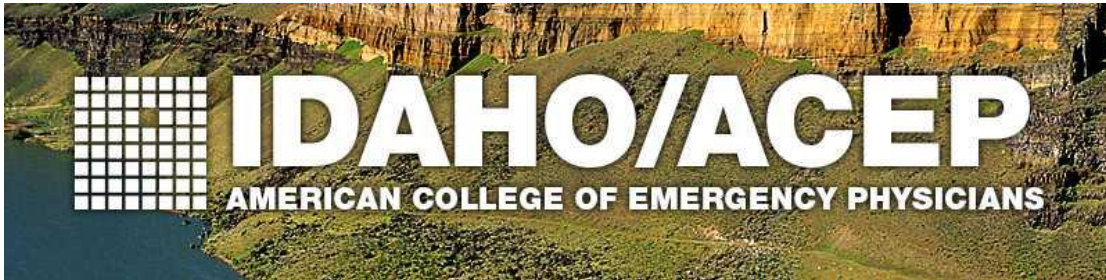


A Newsletter for the Members of the Idaho Chapter - Fall 2021



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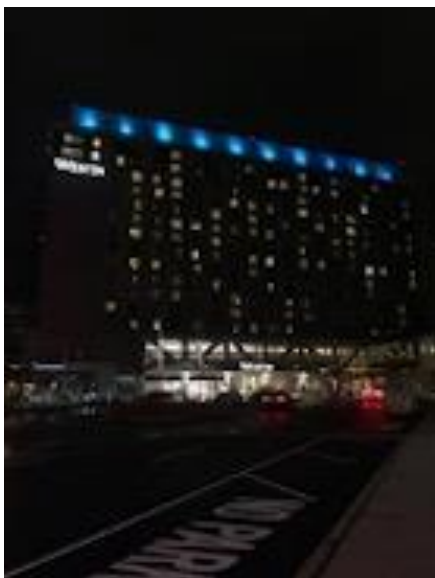
**ACEP 2021 Council
Boston Convention Center
October 23-24, 2021**



by Ken Gramyk, MD, FACEP

New ACEP officers elected

The lingering effects of the Covid 19 pandemic resulted in new challenges for the ACEP Council 2021, as it conducted elections for ACEP President-elect, four spots on the Board of Directors and the Council Speaker and Vice Speaker roles. For the first time Council was held as a hybrid meeting format with many Councilors attending in person and additional Councilors were able to attend virtually. All voting was able to be done with online access and credentialing. About 2/3 of the councilors were in person and another 1/3 remote. Idaho has 2 Councilor seats allocated for which this year I was representing IDACEP.



All of the candidates eligible for office were highly qualified and there were no bad choices. ACEP Council conducted elections for ACEP President-elect, four spots on the Board of Directors and the Council Speaker and Vice Speaker roles. Christopher S. Kang, MD, FACEP, was voted President-elect and will be the first Asian-American president in ACEP's history. Kelly Gray-Eurom, MD, MMM, FACEP, was elected Council Speaker, and Melissa W. Costello, MD, MS, FACEP, FAEMS, won the Vice Speaker election. This marks the first time the ACEP Council has elected women to serve as its Speaker and Vice Speaker concurrently. Four members were elected to serve on the ACEP Board: L. Anthony Cirillo, MD, FACEP (incumbent); John T. Finnell, II, MD, MSc, FACEP (incumbent); Rami R. Khoury, MD, FACEP, and Heidi C. Knowles, MD, FACEP.

Following the Council meeting, the ACEP Board of Directors met and the following Board members were elected to new roles: Alison Haddock, MD, FACEP, is the new Chair of the Board, and Aisha Terry, MD, MPH, FACEP, is the Board's Vice President. Jeffrey M. Goodloe, MD, FACEP, is the Board Secretary/Treasurer.





Council Resolutions 2021

Despite the challenges of socially distancing, masking, daily health screening, as well as experiencing the first Nor'easter of the season...the Council managed to consider 82 resolutions this year. Due to the use of asynchronous testimony and reference committee testimonies and reports only 16 business items were extracted for robust floor debate. Even when the main projector failed and had to be repaired the meeting was able to keep on schedule. In the end, 57 resolutions were adopted as amended, 15 resolutions were not adopted and 10 resolutions were referred to the board, 1 resolution was referred to Council Steering Committee.

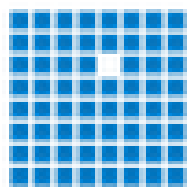
Some of the resolutions regarding insurance company downcoding and billing practices (29,30) and of special interest for rural emergency medicine improvement (35,64,65) were amended and passed with unanimous consent. The final actions and resolutions will be available on the ACEP website below.

ACEP Council 22 will be held in San Francisco September 29-30, 2022.

You may also track all Resolution history and actions using the ACEP Council Resolution tracking page at

<https://www.acep.org/what-we-believe/actions-on-council-resolutions/>

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Featured News

"We cannot solve the challenges of our time unless we solve them together"

In her address to the ACEP Council on Oct. 24, 2021, ACEP President Dr. Gillian Schmitz outlined her vision and approach as the College's new leader. [Watch her speech.](#)

EM Physician Workforce of the Future:

- [Emergency Physicians Explore the Future of the Emergency Medicine Workforce](#) (ACEP Now, 10/25/21)
- [2021 Survey of the Emergency Medicine Job Market](#) (ACEP Now, 10/18/21)
- Get the latest workforce updates at www.acep.org/workforce.
- Visit [ACEP's Career Center](#)

Regulatory News:

- [Status Update: ACEP Actions to Push Back Against Flawed No Surprises Act Regulation](#) (11/18/21)
- [Breaking down the Biden Administration's new vaccine mandates: How do they impact you?](#) (11/11/21)
- [Emergency Physicians Call on Biden Administration to Amend Interim Final Rule on Surprise Billing](#) (11/9/21)
- [The 2022 Physician Fee Schedule Final Reg: Highlights and Perspective](#) (11/4/21)

EM Physicians Join Forces to Create Award-Winning COVID-19 Field Guide

[In this video](#), ACEP members tell the origin story of the award-winning [COVID-19 Field Guide](#), a valuable resource that has been utilized by emergency clinicians in more than 160 countries.

Rescue Team Doctor at the Surfside Condo Collapse Shares Experience

In this [ACEP Now article](#), Dr. Benjamin Abo gives a firsthand account of what it was like for the urban search and rescue teams that responded to the Surfside condo collapse. (Plus, get bonus content from Dr. Abo on this month's [ACEP Nowcast](#).)

ACEP Member Benefits

A Checklist to Help You Negotiate The Best Employment Contract

Employment contracts are complex and often difficult to navigate. [This checklist](#) is designed to help you consider all the right questions when reviewing any employment contract you receive.

Legal and Financial Support Services

For just \$15 per year, ACEP members can access Mines & Associates' [legal and financial support assistance](#). This service includes unlimited 30-minute in-person consultation for each individual legal matter, unlimited telephonic 30-minute consultation per financial matter, and 25% discount on select legal and financial services all with MINES network legal and financial professionals.

For more employment contract & job hunt resources, visit [ACEP's Career Center](#)

Upcoming ACEP Events and Deadlines

- Nov. 29-Dec. 4:** [EM Basic Research Skills \(EMBRs\) Workshop](#)
 - Dec. 4:** Last day to submit your videos for the [TikDoc Challenge](#)
 - Dec. 16:** [Alleviating the Pain: Managing Sickle Cell Patients](#)
 - Jan. 17-19:** [Reimbursement & Coding Conference](#)
 - Jan. 18:** [Advanced EM Ultrasonography Exam Review Course](#)
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