From the President
Paul Eakin, MD, FACEP

Aloha Hawaii ACEP Members,

Hope you all had an enjoyable summer season and were able to enjoy some much deserved vacation time with family and loved ones. As I see the news from the mainland about Hurricane Harvey hitting Texas, I am reminded how important emergency medical services are, and I thank you all for serving the people of Hawaii.

On September 11th, we will be holding our Fourth Annual Hawaii ACEP Leadership Forum with the main topic being Emerging Infectious diseases. We hope that we can have leadership from all the Emergency Departments across Hawaii represented at the forum.
Will Scruggs, our immediate past president, and I have been attending state task force meetings regarding opioid abuse and are giving input about how we can best deal with this huge problem from an ED perspective. It has been encouraging to see the interest and resources that our State Government is investing into this multi-faceted issue.

Again, thank you for all you do. We are here to serve you. Please let me know if you have any feedback.

Mahalo,
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**Hawaii Board Meetings**

The Hawaii ACEP Board meetings are held every other month. Hawaii ACEP members are welcome to attend the Board meetings – please contact us in advance if you are interested. For more information on the meetings, contact Debbie at kepola2014@yahoo.com. Upcoming Board meetings will be held on the following dates: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 and Wednesday, November 15, 2017.


Past issues of our [Hawaii ACEP e-newsletter](http://hawaiiacep.org/) are available for download.

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**UH JABSOM Emergency Medicine Interest Group (EMIG):**

EMIG encourages interested medical students to gain as much exposure and knowledge about Emergency Medicine as they can by offering workshops, physician shadowing, research opportunities, and volunteer activities. Hawaii ACEP members are encouraged to participate whenever possible to mentor what will be the next generation of emergency physicians. Visit the [EMIG website](http://hawaiiacep.org/). Contact the EMIG group at emigjabsom@gmail.com.
ACEP assists DMAT teams as they prepare to respond to Hurricane Harvey

Rick Murray, EMT-P
Director, Dept of EMS and Disaster Preparedness

ACEP was pleased to furnish classroom space over the weekend to DMAT teams from several states that were staged before they deployed. MN Chapter Executive Shari Augustine, who is a member of the MN DMAT, contacted ACEP staff to inquire of the possibility of using the ACEP Board Room for training for the various teams. Space was provided for training for over 240 members for DMAT teams and U. S. Public Health Service personnel. This provided them the opportunity to receive some last-minute training and briefings before they deployed to various areas of the Texas coast that were impacted by Hurricane Harvey.
ACEP has a lot of resources for the public about preparing for and surviving disasters and they are being promoted to general public audiences.

Also, here are some general talking points about responding to disasters. They can helpful in talking with the news media.

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**National Disaster and Life Support Foundation**

The National Disaster Life Support Foundation is very pleased to have partnered with the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) to provide disaster medicine training and to further develop the NDLS education materials.

The NDLS program began in the late 1990’s with a realization that there was a lack of standardized training for medical and nursing providers who may be responding to disasters. Individuals were medically trained within their specialty to the same National Standard, however disaster specific education was not included in the majority of medical and nursing curricula. Examples of the missing material included:

- Scene safety
- Standardized triage methodology
- Incident Management
- Identifying and requesting needed resources
- What constitutes a disaster
- Public Health impact of disasters
The NDLSF established an affiliated membership-based organization for the purpose of overseeing the development and revision of the curriculum. This organization is the National Disaster Life Support Education Consortium (NDLSEC).

The NDLSEC Annual Meeting will be held in conjunction with ACEP’s 2017 Annual Scientific Assembly in Washington, D.C., October 29 – November 1, 2017.

White Coat Day on Capitol Hill at ACEP17

Decisions made by Congress influence the practice and the future of emergency medicine on a daily basis. Join your emergency physician colleagues in Washington, DC on November 1 and spread the word to legislators and their staff about the critical role of emergency physicians in our nation’s health care delivery system. White Coat Day participants will be asked to attend a special advocacy training session prior to heading to Capitol Hill. Transportation will be provided and all participants will receive a customized schedule and materials to share in the meetings.
There is no fee to participate but advanced registration is required. Participants can sign-up as with their ACEP17 registration or may sign-up separately if not registered for ACEP17. Go to White Coat Day for more information or contact Jeanne Slade in the ACEP DC Office.

Register for White Coat Day at ACEP17!

DON'T MISS THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT CAPITOL HILL WITH YOUR EM COLLEAGUES WHILE IN WASHINGTON, DC

Spread the word about the critical role of emergency physicians in the health care delivery system

ACEP staff will schedule your visits in advance. Participants will receive advocacy training prior to the visits. Transport to and from Capitol Hill is provided. Please bring your white coat!

Advanced registration is required. Participants can sign-up with ACEP17 registration or may register separately if not attending ACEP 17.

WWW.ACEP.ORG/ACEP17/HILLDAY
ACEP17 Wellness Activities and Resource Center Giveaways

Wellness & ACEP Resource Center
Sunday, October 29 - Tuesday, October 31
Location: Exhibit Hall

Stop by the wellness center in the ACEP Resource Center of the exhibit hall and discover tips from the experts to improve your wellbeing daily. View full list of activities and schedule.

Product Giveaways
Held daily in the Resource Center

Sunday – PEER
PEER one-year membership
PEER Print Companion

Monday – CDEM
Trauma special edition
2-year print
One-year Residency Education Portal

Tuesday – ACEP eCME
My Residency Learning Portal
Trauma, Stroke, Cardiovascular bundle
Procedures and skills course
Featured guest on ACEP Frontline

Articles of Interest in Annals of Emergency Medicine

Sandy Schneider, MD, FACEP
ACEP Associate Executive Director, Practice, Policy and Academic Affairs

ACEP would like to provide you with very brief synopses of the latest articles in Annals of Emergency Medicine. Some of these have not appeared in print. These synopses are not meant to be thorough analyses of the articles, simply brief introductions. Before incorporating into your practice, you should read the entire articles and interpret them for your specific patient population. Read More
No Emergency Department is Immune from Violence

But you can be better prepared and reduce the risk of harm to your patients, your staff, and yourself. You can implement security measures, changes in your processes and policies, education and training, and attention to design details. Learn how with these new free resources from ACEP, all in one place, easy to find -- Violence in the Emergency Department: Resources for a Safer Workplace

Welcome New Members

Teresa Choe
Harry Wynn-Williams