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## President's Message

Dear Colleagues,

2022 is here and COVID numbers are going down across the US. I don't know about you but its starting to feel like we can now take a deep breath, get some rest, and get back to our "normal" routines. Our [well-being](#) is important.

[Reach out to us](#) and let us know what we as a chapter or national ACEP can do for you. We are always looking for more members to get involved at the chapter level and lead the chapter on many important legislative issues. We are focused on teaching our Medical Students to better prepare them to be future emergency medicine leaders. We need their energy, dedication and commitment to our specialty.

Join us in April for our Chapter Annual Meeting. We plan on meeting the week of the [EMS Conference](#) and could potentially meet in-person at the [Best Western Ramkota Hotel](#). However, for those that cannot join us in-person their will be a virtual option. Register for the annual meeting [here](#).

In addition, we will be holding an election for the following positions: President, President-Elect, Secretary/Treasurer, Councillor and Alternate Councillor. Please consider running for one of these leader positions, [Adriana Alvarez](#), our Chapter Executive can provide you with more details about each role including the roles/responsabilities & terms. We need your voice! Run for an open position [here](#).

The North Dakota ACEP Chapter Board would like to hear from you and what you feel the chapter should focus on this year to improve our specialty. Please join us this year. More details about the meeting are listed in the flyer below.

My wish for you this year is to be filled with peace, love, and happiness!

FOR THE  
**JOIN US!** / 2022 Chapter Annual  
Meeting /

DATE:

Thursday  
April 7th

TIME:

8AM-12:00PM

DESTINATION:

In-person (COVID  
permitting)

VENUE:

Bismarck, ND

DURING THE NDEMSA  
CONFERENCE

/WITH A VIRTUAL OPTION /

RSVP / WITH ND.CHAPTER@ACEP.ORG / 469-499-0177

**Update: University of North Dakota Department of Emergency  
Medicine**

**Ongoing Student Research Project**

In December 2021, Catherine Marco, MD authored a study published in ACEP titled The Emergency Medicine Physician Workforce: Projections for 2030. This study projected an oversupply of emergency physicians in 2030 due to the increasing supply of and changing demand for emergency physicians. UND students are interested in learning whether these projections apply to rural America and they are working on a physician survey of North Dakota Emergency Physicians. Please watch your hospital inbox for a paper survey which can be completed and returned to the Bismarck office. The results of this survey are extremely important to current students and your participation is greatly appreciated. If you did not receive a paper survey and wish to participate, please email our study coordinator [Wyatt Telken](#).

**Advanced Wilderness Life Support (AWLS)**

UND is in need of two more faculty for our spring AWLS course, to be held on April 29-May 1, 2022 at the medical school in Grand Forks and a local state park. The course is a mix of lecture covering topics such as high altitude medicine, dive physiology, care of the endurance athlete, and snake envenomation, plus a hands on portion covering splinting, wound care, improvised litters, and assembling your own first aid kit. Faculty who assist with teaching will also receive free certification in AWLS, 20+ free CME, and credit towards Fellow status in the Academy of

Wilderness Medicine. Learn about AWLS [here](#) and RSVP to [Susanna Warner](#) if interested in participating. The course director is Justin Reisenauer, MD,

### **Scholarship to Honor North Dakota Emergency Physician**

NDACEP members are invited to participate in establishing the Dr. Michael Schlosser Emergency Medicine Scholarship, which will be awarded to a UND graduate who plans to practice Emergency Medicine in North Dakota. Dr. Schlosser was a UND graduate who spent 25-years as a family and emergency medicine physician. Additionally, he served in the the North Dakota National Guard for 25-years including multiple deployments. Please watch your hospital mail box for an envelope from the UND Department of Emergency Medicine, and return the enclosed RSVP card for appetizers and drinks in Fargo on April 22, 2022, from 3PM-5PM (location TBD). Some contributions are tax deductible and eligible for matching funds from the state, so please consider participating. Please contact [Susanna Warner](#) if you wish to participate but do not receive a flyer in the mail.

### **Point of Care Ultrasound coming to UND**

Dr. David Collins is pursuing his fellowship in point of care ultrasound and will be serving as the UND Department of Emergency Medicine's Point of Care Ultrasound Elective Course Director. We are looking for sites and mentors who are willing to allow a student to perform point of care ultrasound in the emergency department. Students will watch a series of online lectures, read a textbook, and perform point of care ultrasound scanning on emergency department patients. De-identified study images will be remotely QA'd for learning purposes. Please contact [David Collins](#) if you or your site would be willing to host a student for this elective or have thoughts or concerns about the elective rotation.

Thank you to all North Dakota Emergency Physicians for your work this past year, especially to NDACEP Members who are the driving force behind our volunteer faculty in the Department of Emergency Medicine. Your hard work, mentorship, and contributions mean the world to our students who may someday be forced to care for us in an emergency!

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### **Welcome New Members!**

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

[Contact](#) the chapter if you would like to get involved at chapter or national level. We can help!

**Craig T. Brewster**  
**Joseph R. Yates, MD, FACEP**

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### **Did you Know?**

Did you know that National ACEP continually cares about your well-being, education, & strives to find ways to make your practice of emergency medicine easier? Click below to see more details.

[Bedside Tool - Hyper K](#)  
[PEERcert+ Advanced Ultrasound](#)  
[#BikERdocs](#)  
[Low-RISK DVT](#)

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## FROM NATIONAL ACEP



### ACEP Resources & Latest News

**Black History Month:** Don't miss this week's *Frontline* episode featuring [Dr. Ray Johnson and Dr. Sandra Coker discussing their experiences](#) working in EM. Dr. Coker founded the Black Girl White Coat nonprofit, and Dr. Johnson's been a leader in EM for more than 30 years. Find more BHM22 resources related to this year's theme, [Black Health & Wellness](#).

Get New [Point-of-Care Tools](#) in emPOC App

### Advocacy:

South Dakota scored an important [scope of practice victory](#) (2/23/22)

**[ACEP applauds the Texas court ruling](#) that the No Surprises Act implementation fails to follow the letter of the law.** The concerns validated by this ruling are some of those shared by ACEP, ASA and ACR in a [separate lawsuit](#) currently in a Chicago district court (2/24/22). Amplify on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#).

- **The No Surprises Act:** [What You Need to Know](#)

**ACEP Applauds Passage of Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act:** On Feb. 17, 2022, the Senate passed the ACEP-supported "[Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act](#)" (H.R. 1667) by voice vote. It now heads to President Biden for his signature into law. [Read the full press release](#) and [additional background](#) about ACEP's efforts to develop and progress this bill through the legislative process.

### ACEP and EMRA Send Workforce Statement to Senate HELP

**Committee:** ACEP partnered with EMRA to submit a statement for the record for a Senate HELP Committee hearing on workforce shortages (2/11/22). [Read more](#)

### Regulatory Updates:

- [ACEP Provides Feedback on New Emergency Medicine Cost Measure](#) (2/24/22)
- [CDC Releases Long-Awaited Revised Opioid Prescribing Guideline: Open for Public Comment](#) (2/17/22)
- [The Flip Side of the Coin: A Look at the Increase in Health Insurer Consolidation](#) (2/10/22)
- [Update on ACEP Actions to Address Physician Mental Health Needs and Wellbeing](#) (2/3/22)
- [Recent Federal Efforts to Address Provider Consolidation](#) (1/27/22)

### Upcoming ACEP Events and Deadlines

**March 8:** Deadline to apply for [ACEP Leadership Awards](#)  
**April 11-12:** [Virtual Advanced Pediatric EM Assembly](#)  
**April 1 – May 31:** [ED Directors Academy, Phase I](#)  
**April 15:** Deadline to apply for [ACEP Teaching Awards](#)  
**May 1-3:** [Leadership & Advocacy Conference](#) - **REGISTRATION IS OPEN!**  
**May 15:** Deadline to apply for [ACEP committee involvement](#)  
**May 18:** Deadline for submissions to the [ACEP22 Research Forum](#)  
**May 23-25:** [SIM Training Course](#)

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