From the Secretary/Treasurer
Sarah McCullough, MD, FACEP

Will you attend ACEP17 this year? A few members of your Chapter Board will be there and we would like to get together as a chapter and meet and socialize with some of you. If you would like to join us for a small, casual dinner, please send an email and we can give you the details about the dinner location. I look forward to seeing some of you in Washington, DC.

Adriana's Corner

Due to your busy work schedules, most of you will probably not be able to attend ACEP17 this year.

However, it does not mean that you cannot be part of important decisions that affect you as an emergency physician and express your opinion on important Resolutions that will be discussed at this year's Council Meeting.
Your Chapter Board will hold a **Chapter Board Meeting** via conference call at the end of this month to review the Resolutions that will be discussed at this year’s **Council Meeting**. If you'd like to participate in the meeting, send me an [email](mailto:) and I will send you the meeting details.

In the meantime, if I can be of any assistance, please feel free to send me an [email](mailto:).

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**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 of August 26 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.

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
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.
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 well being 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

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**Articles of Interest in *Annals of Emergency Medicine***

Sandy Schneider, MD, FACEP
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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]

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