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What's going on?

Official Notice of NYSAFP Congress of Delegates
June 19 – 20, 2010 (Saturday and Sunday)

The 62nd Annual Congress of Delegates of the NYSAFP will meet June 19–20, 2010 at the Desmond Hotel in Albany, NY. All members are invited and encouraged to attend the Congress, to participate in discussions of current issues and to debate Academy policy.

Below are links for the individual parts of the 2010 COD Handbook.

2010 abbreviated Handbook click here:

http://www.nysafp.org/congress_of_delegates/2010Handbook.doc

Bylaws click here:

http://www.nysafp.org/congress_of_delegates/2010ConstByLaws.doc

Auditor's Financial Report click here:

http://www.nysafp.org/congress_of_delegates/2010FinancialStatements09.pdf

Nominations click here:

http://www.nysafp.org/congress_of_delegates/2010Nominations.doc

If you are attending the COD, please download the handbook to your laptop and bring it with you.

Please RSVP to bobbi@nysafp.org if you have not already done so. Your attendance and participation are important.

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President's Letter - Mark H. Krotowski, MD

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

This past year has been a historic time for physicians of the NYSAFP. Our Academy has emerged as a leader for Health Care in America! Congratulations to all of you whom participated and helped me. It has been a wonderful journey for us. Thank you so much.

[Read Dr. Krotowski's letter](#)



Thank you for reading the NYSAFP monthly newsletter. Your comments are welcome. Please send to fp@nysafp.org

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President Elect - James Greenwald, MD

I am Jim Greenwald, and I am truly honored to serve as your president.

I want to talk about my personal history, the mission of the New York State Academy of Family Physicians, and the parts of our vision and strategic plan that I intend to focus upon.

Personal history is important, and I know that each of us here was touched by many friends and family members in our journey. I grew up in Cobleskill NY, in nearby Schoharie County. My family doctor was one of the founding members of the AAFP. My Dad was a surgeon but was disabled when I started college so I supported my own education with work, loans, and scholarships. My Mother, Linda, still works full time teaching at SUNY Cobleskill. I married Carol Bradford in 1974, the year we graduated for Cornell.

[Read More of Jim Greenwald's Story](#)



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Dues Payment Option

Academy members whose dues balance is greater than \$100 may sign up to participate in an installment payment plan. When members go to the AAFP web site to pay their dues, they will have the option of making a single payment or can sign up for automatic monthly installment payments. The installment payment option will charge the member's credit card on the 10th day of each month for equal payments from the time they initialize the option until June, after which dues not paid are considered delinquent.

This information is printed on the member's dues invoice and can be activated online or through communication to the Contact Center. For more information members can contact David Lloyd at dlloyd@aafp.org.

Membership

Total Membership: 4424
Active: 2413
Supporting: 11
Supporting (Non-FP): 6

[List of New Members and Transfers](#)

Immunization Summit 2010

Huntington Hilton, Melville, NY

8:00 am Registration & Network with Colleagues

Register now for a special CME program for pediatricians, family practitioners, and internists!

Click [here](#) for more information or register online at www.mssny.org

Diabetes Project Update

More NYSAFP Members Receive NCQA DPRP Recognition

The Academy congratulates the following family physicians who have received recognition from the NCQA Diabetes Recognition Program:

- Rosemary DeLeo, MD
- Lynn Bergstraesser, MD, PhD
- Mark Montera, MD
- Rodney Riedel, MD
- William Klepack, MD
- Howard Silcoff, MD

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Announcing a Training and Funding Opportunity for Residency Programs

GO! Diabetes Program was extended for a third year and we are seeking a team from your program to be trained as Diabetes Change Agents. [Read More](#)



Jose 'Jun' David, MD
2010 Candidate for AAFP Board of Directors

Our very own Past-President, Jun David, MD is running for AAFP Board of Directors. The next few months will be full of planning and strategizing to make the most of our time at the [Congress of Delegates September 27-29](#). Find Jun's web page on the [AAFP here](#) and on our [website here](#).

Good luck Jun!

Immunization Financing Toolkit

Dear Colleague,

We hope that you have had a chance to review the NYSAFP [Immunization Financing Toolkit](#) on our website and are finding it helpful in your practice. In order to help us determine how useful the toolkit may be to you, we would like your feedback about the various components of the toolkit and the links to other sites that are provided in it.

Please click this link:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NYSAFPToolkitFeedbackSurvey> to complete a quick feedback survey. It should only take a couple of minutes. Your responses are greatly appreciated. Survey respondents will be entered into a drawing to win a \$100 prize. The survey will close June 10.

Sincerely,

Mark H. Krotowski
President

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Your advertisement here!

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[Revised Sugary Beverage Tax Is Even Better For New Yorkers' Waistlines and Wallets, Health Commissioner Says](#)
ALBANY, N.Y. (May 21, 2010) – State Health Commissioner Richard F. Daines, M.D., today praised Governor Paterson's proposed revision to the sugar-sweetened beverage tax to exempt low-calorie beverages and bottled water from state and local sales taxes.

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[Dr. Daines Authorizes Use of Vaccines Containing Thimerosal Until September 1, 2010](#)

On April 30 Dr. Daines wrote a letter to Health Care Providers extending the October 29, 2009 order authorizing use of vaccines containing Thimerosal, a mercury-containing preservative, until September 2, 2010.

[Click here for the letter.](#)

[Click here for New York State Department of Health 2009-2010 Flu Monitoring website.](#)

[Update on Recommendations for the Use of Rotavirus Vaccines](#)

The FDA is updating its recommendations on both Rotarix and RotaTeq vaccines for the prevention of rotavirus disease in infants. Based on careful evaluation of a variety of scientific information, the FDA has determined it is appropriate for clinicians and health care professionals to resume the use of Rotarix and to continue the use of RotaTeq.

[Read More](#) [FDA website](#)

[NYSAFP Chapter Wins Award](#)

Thanks to the generosity of our members, the Family Medicine Philanthropic Consortium of the AAFP Foundation presented the NYSAFP Chapter with a [Certificate of Achievement](#) for 'Increasing the 2009 Dues Check-Off Participation by 10% or Greater Over 2008'.

Thank you to all who contributed! Let's do it again for 2009/2010!

[Click here to contribute to the AAFP Foundation](#)

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NYSAFP Member Jessica Davis, MD

Meet Jessica Davis MD who started Meliora Family Medicine in the town of Stilwater, NY in 2009.

Dr. Davis tells us about herself and her practice. Thank you for sharing your story!

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American Board of Family Medicine Elects New Officers and Board Members

The American Board of Family Medicine (ABFM) is pleased to announce the election of four new officers and three new board members.

The new officers elected at the ABFM's spring board meeting in April are: Craig W. Czarsty, MD (Chair); Warren P. Newton, MD (Chair Elect); John R. Bucholtz, DO (Treasurer); and Arlene Brown, MD (Member-at-Large, Executive Committee).

In addition, the ABFM welcomes this year's new members to the Board of Directors: Alan K. David, MD, Carlos R. Jaén, MD, and Kailie R. Shaw, MD.

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New Resource for Medical Students Interested in Family Medicine

Please share with medical students.

Many medical students have questions about family medicine or have particular interests but do not know if these interests would work within a family medicine framework. NYSAFP has developed a database of family medicine physicians across New York, which will allow students to search for physicians in their area or with their interests. Physicians have volunteered their information and would be happy to answer questions about the specialty.

We hope this list will be a helpful resource for students considering a future in family medicine.

STUDENTS: Please [click here](#) to search the database.

PHYSICIANS: [Please complete this survey](#) to be a part of the database.

Family Medicine Residents and Students National Conference
July 29-31, 2010

Once a year, family medicine leaders and educators come from across the nation to share their knowledge with family medicine residents and medical students.

This year's conference theme is

Innovations in Education: Training Tomorrow's Family Physicians

Find Your Place at the National Conference
July 29 - 31 --- Kansas City, Missouri



Complex Cases in Primary Care

Presented by TCL Institute

Earn up to 7.25 complimentary CME credits

TCL Institute, a partner of NYSAFP in providing cutting-edge CME, will provide a complimentary day of CME for physicians in the Melville area. The CME will be presented as case studies of patients with multiple comorbidities covering disease states such as diabetes, Alzheimer's disease, elderly depression, osteoporosis, diabetic neuropathic pain, fibromyalgia, gastroesophageal reflux disease, acute coronary syndrome, gout, overactive bladder, migraine, Parkinson's disease, and chronic pain.

The conference will be held Saturday, June 26, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Melville Marriott Long Island in Melville, NY. There is no

fee to register. For more information, view this flyer or visit the Web site, <http://www.TotalMedEd.com/CC>.

Interested in becoming a workshop facilitator? Please [complete this survey](#) to be considered.

JAMA and IHI Author in the Room® Teleconference

Join us on Wednesday, June 16, 2010, from 2:00 to 3:00 PM Eastern Time for the Author in the Room® teleconference. The topic for this call is the JAMA article, *The Older Adult Driver with Cognitive Impairment*, by David B. Carr, MD.

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Available Surveys

Did you miss one of our surveys?

[H1N1 Vaccine Reporting](#) - We need your help!

Be a part of the [Physicians Database](#) resource for Students and Residents

[Treatment of Pediatric Patients With Mental Health Conditions](#)

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2010

June (various dates/locations) [EHR Meaningful Use Seminar](#)

June 5 [An Epidemic Among Latinos: How to Improve Outcomes in Patients with Diabetes](#)

June 19-20: [NYSAFP Congress of Delegates, Desmond Hotel, Albany](#)

August 7-8: Summer Cluster - Join a Commission and Make a Difference!

September 27-29: [AAFP Congress of Delegates, Denver](#) - Help elect Jun David to the AAFP Board!

September 29-October 3: [AAFP Scientific Assembly, Denver](#)

October 9: Regional Family Medicine Conference, Desmond Hotel, Albany

October 10: Fall Cluster, Desmond Hotel, Albany - Join a Commission!

October 28: ALSO Instructor Course, Hershey Convention Center, Hershey PA

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January 20-23: Winter Weekend, Lake Placid

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