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TOP NEWS

AAP Launches Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Activities on Virtual Campus

AAP - The AAP has been approved by the American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (ABPMR) to create a series of journal-based CME/MOC activities that offer 8.0 *CME/SAE credits*[™] each. Volume 1 is now available on AAP's Virtual Campus. 10 essential articles in physiatry are listed with links accompanied by 4 multiple choice questions corresponding to each article. Participants must read all 10 essential articles and complete the self-assessment examinations associated with each article to claim ABPMR MOC credit. Additionally, There is a small fee to complete this activity.



[View MOC Activity](#)

AAP NEWS

Program for Academic Leadership (PAL) – Now Accepting Applications



AAP - The *AAP* Program for Academic Leadership, led by William L. Bockenek, MD, CPE, is a three-year program to develop academic leadership skills in junior PM&R faculty. PAL offers a valuable combination of education and one-on-one mentoring that greatly enhances the participant's skillset and network, and propels success in an academic setting.

Starting in 2018 and moving forward, PAL will be a tuition-based program with a fee schedule of \$1,000 per year (\$3,000 for 3 years).

The program includes:

- Registration to PAL workshops (full three days) each year including speakers, materials, and networking events
- Registration to the *AAP* Annual Meeting each year including plenary sessions, materials, and networking events (President's reception, coffee breaks, signature lunch, Poster Gallery receptions, Fellowship & Job Fair)
- Access to external mentors throughout each of the three (3) years to help with quality improvement projects that greatly benefit the participant's home institution and other career development questions and challenges
- Online and virtual experiences with peer groups and PAL mentors

PAL participants are required to attend a different three-day course during each of three consecutive *AAP* annual meetings, and are required to participate in a quality improvement initiative of interest to the candidate's institution. The content will focus on department administration, teaching and education, and research.

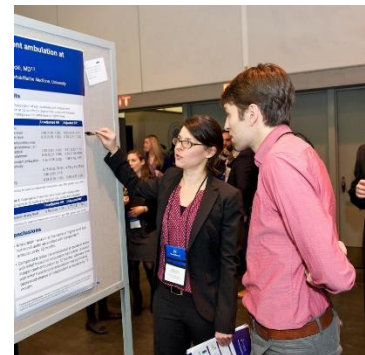
Deadline to apply for PAL is August 31. Additional details can also be found on the [Program for Academic Leadership](#) page on the website.

[Apply to PAL Now](#)

25 Days Left to Submit an Abstract for Physiatry '18

AAP - There is just under a month left to submit your abstracts for #Physiatry18 in Atlanta, GA, February 13-17, to showcase your important work to over 1,000 physiatrists across the country. Submit your unique physiatric case reports and research studies for scientific paper presentations, and *AAP*'s interactive Poster Gallery reception. Accepted abstracts are published in *AAP*'s leading medical journal, the *American Journal of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation*. **The deadline to submit is August 15, 2017.**

[Submit Your Abstract Today!](#)



Be an All Star – Volunteer with AAP



AAP - There is still time to step up to the plate and volunteer to serve on a committee or short-term projects with AAP. Volunteering gives you the chance to develop your leadership skills, network with colleagues, and share your enthusiasm for physiatry. The AAP has volunteer opportunities to fit everyone's schedule, whether it's serving on a committee or reviewing abstracts. More information on getting involved is on the [AAP website](#).

Volunteers are needed to fill openings on the following committees:

- Education Committee
- Governance Committee
- Leadership Development and Recognition Committee
- Membership Committee
- Program Committee
- Public Policy Committee
- Research Committee

Deadline to submit a volunteer application is August 1. Contact AAP Member Services Manager, [Amy Schnappinger](#) for more information.

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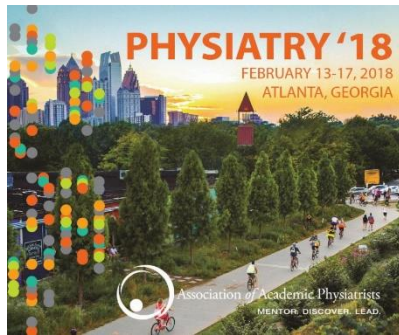
Leading Institutions - Exhibit at Physiatry '18

AAP - Set your institution apart as a leader in the specialty by securing a strong presence at the AAP Annual Meeting – Physiatry '18 – in Atlanta, Georgia, February 13-17, 2018. View the [exhibitor prospectus](#) which highlights a variety of sponsorships and exhibiting opportunities in order for your institution to get noticed. You will gain national recognition and highlight your rock star faculty, residents, and programs to two key audiences – the current and future leaders of physiatry! View our [interactive floor plan](#) and choose your spot today!



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Advertisement Opportunity: Psychiatry '18 Preliminary Program



AAP - Make sure your company or institution is prominently placed on the first Annual Meeting communication that attendees will see. Preliminary Programs are mailed to over 4,000 physicians and will be available electronically leading up to the meeting for extended digital exposure beyond the initial mailing. This full page, full color advertisement opportunity is available on a first come, first serve basis and will be limited to five advertisers. Contact [Leigh Patrick](#) for more information or to reserve your spot today!

Early Career Discount Offer for Residents/Fellows Completing Training

AAP - Are you a Resident or Fellow who recently finished training? The AAP is offering a \$40 discount on your first year of membership as an Early Career member. The Early Career member rate of \$240 is available for physicians in their first three (3) years out of training. Contact AAP Member Services Manager, [Amy Schnappinger](#) to claim your discount.

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ACADEMICS

Residents and Fellows: ACGME Back to Bedside Initiative

ACGME - The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) Council of Review Committee Residents (CRCR) designed the Back to Bedside initiative to empower residents and fellows (trainees) to develop transformative projects that combat burnout by fostering meaning in their learning environments; engaging on a deeper level with what is at the heart of medicine: their patients.

Supported by the ACGME, this initiative will provide:

- Competitive funding opportunity for trainee-led teams to innovate (\$10,000 per year renewable for up to 2 years)
- Creation of a learning collaborative made up of trainee-led research teams
- National dissemination of successful projects

[View Back to Bedside Information](#)

The Health 202: Doctors Make Last-Ditch Effort to Sink GOP Health-Care Bill

Washington Post - The *Washington Post* reported on opposition of medical organizations to the revised Better Care Reconciliation Act. Among the groups objecting to the new version of the bill are the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the American College of Physicians, the American Osteopathic Association, and the American Psychiatric Association. AAFP, ACOG, ACP, and APA are CFAS-member societies.

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Scientists Should Talk Directly to the Public

Scientific American - Scientists should communicate their research directly to the public through opinion pieces, columns in local newspapers, and TV and radio interviews, recommended an opinion piece in *Scientific American* that lamented the lack of attention research findings get from the general public.

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Unhappy Doctors: The Problem of Physician Burnout

The Saturday Evening Post - This article explored factors that lead to physician burnout, including administrative burden and the increasing difficulty in finding time to socialize with colleagues or spend enough time with patients. "I didn't have the time to really enjoy my experience with patients," said Tom Murphy, MD. "Each day was a monumental struggle. I felt like Sisyphus. I'd get the boulder up the hill at the end of the day, and then I'd have to start all over again the next morning. I thought, I have to do this for the next 30 years."

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Health Effects of Dramatic Societal Events — Ramifications of the Recent Presidential Election

NEJM - A study in *NEJM* examined how dramatic societal events, such as the election of Donald Trump as president, effect the health of various demographics in the United States. Some of the themes discussed in the article were covered at the recent AAMC Leadership Forum on Achieving Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity in Academic Medicine held in Washington in June.

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Scramble is on to Find New Ways to Stop Opioid Overdose Deaths

Modern Healthcare - An article in *Modern Healthcare* covering the opioid epidemic described the success of New Hampshire's Safe Station Program that allows people who abuse opioids to seek emergency room care or entrance into a treatment facility without the threat of arrest or judgment. According to Christopher Stawasz, the regional director of emergency medical services provider American Medical Response, the program has reduced emergency calls reporting overdoses by 30%.

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Overcoming Sexism in Academic Medicine

Asco Post - An article in the *Asco Post* covered a *Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)* study that found 30% of female physician-scientists experienced sexual harassment compared with 4% of male physician-scientists. The article featured an interview with the study's primary author, Reshma Jagsi, MD, who discussed how to improve the culture in medical schools and the work environment.

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INDUSTRY NEWS

When Your Doctor is Fitter Than You Are

New York Times - "I enjoy working out at the gym," declares one profile. 'To keep myself fit, I like to hike, bike and exercise,' says another. 'These comments aren't part of a dating site. Rather, they come from physicians' online profiles that prospective patients view when they are looking for a new doctor," said Lauren Howe from the *New York Times*.

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Three Things You Need to Know When Your Patient is a Doctor

Medical News Today - "When your patient is a fellow physician, the rulebook might have to go out of the window; assumptions on both sides can get in the way. But both physicians can stand to gain from this relationship," said Carrie Noriega, MD in an article published on *Medical News Today*.

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Here's How Warren Buffett Thinks We Should Fix American Health Care

Inc.com - "Warren Buffett appeared in a fascinating interview on PBS. Among other things, the Oracle of Omaha told Judy Woodruff that he believes a single-payer system in which the federal government provides insurance to all Americans was mostly likely the best solution to out-of-control health care costs," said Minda Zetlin in an article published on *Inc.com*.

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How to Attend Medical School for Free

US News & World report - "While the idea of graduating medical school debt-free may seem impossible, a few medical students have the privilege of receiving a free medical education, either because they attend a tuition-free medical school or because they receive a hefty sum of scholarship money," said Ilana Kowarski in an article from *US News & World Report*.

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Bright.md Raises \$8M for AI-Powered Remote Healthcare Service with ‘Virtual Physician Assistant’

GeekWire - "Founded in 2012, Bright.md has developed a SmartExam platform used by several major health delivery systems across the U.S., including Adventist Health, Greenville Health System, and Rush University Medical Group," said Taylor Soper in an article published on the website *GeekWire*.

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Reston, VA (Virginia Spine Institute)

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Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Opportunities

Portland, ME (OA Centers for Orthopaedics)

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The Association of Academic Physiatrists (AAP) is an organization of leading physiatrists, residents, and other physiatric professionals who are dedicated to improving patient care through mentorship, discovery, and leadership. AAP members receive a subscription to the *American Journal of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation*, access to mentorship programs, and discounted registration rates for the AAP Annual Meeting.

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