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TEXAS COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS



NEWSLETTER: JANUARY 2015



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Bruce Moskow, MD FACP
President*

Five Bold Predictions for Ten Years from Now

Since it's the New Year, I'm going to go out on a limb and make five concrete EM/Healthcare predictions that will affect all of us. Actual, measurable, 'you were wrong sucka' kind of predictions. For ten years out. Feel free to find me at my retirement village in 2025 and make fun of me then. Or if you have some predictions of your own, send them in and we'll publish the best in the next EMphasis...

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2015 Call for TCEP Board of Director's Nominations/Call for Bylaw Amendments

The Texas College of Emergency Physicians depends upon its fourteen member Board of Directors for its vision and action. Eleven Regular Board Members serve staggered three year terms, plus one year terms for a Young Physician, Resident and Medical Student. There are four Regular Board positions on the 2015 ballot. Young Physician, Resident and Medical Student positions are also on the 2015 ballot. Elections will take place at the TCEP Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, April 25, 2015 at the Renaissance Hotel in Austin, Texas...

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ACEP Council Meeting Report 2014

Each year for the two days before Scientific Assembly (now called ACEP14) begins, the ACEP Council meets. This year we met in Chicago, Illinois, on October 25-26. There were close to 400 councilors and almost as many alternate councilors attending. Every state has one councilor as a baseline, then an additional councilor for every 100 members in that state chapter. Each section of ACEP also has one councilor, and then there are a few extra entities that have councilors, such as SAEM (Society for Academic Emergency Medicine) and EMRA (Emergency Medicine Residents' Association). There are only two state chapters with more councilors than Texas, which are California and New York...

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TCEP Essentials
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February 25-27th 2015
Baylor College of Medicine in Houston

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Calendar of Events

Texas College of Emergency Physicians 2015 Calendar

January 30-31	TMA Winter Conference	Austin, TX
February 2	TCEP Board of Director's Meeting	Austin, TX
February 3	TMA First Tuesday at the Capitol	Austin, TX
February 25-27	TCEP Essentials Emergency Medicine/Acute Care Review Course	Austin, TX
March 3	TMA First Tuesday at the Capitol	Austin, TX
April 7	TMA First Tuesday at the Capitol	Austin, TX
April 23-26	TCEP Annual Meeting	Renaissance Hotel, Austin, TX
April 26-29	EDPMA Solutions Summit	Amelia Island, FL
May 1-2	TEXMED Annual Conference	Austin, TX
May 5	TMA First Tuesday at the Capitol	Austin, TX
May 3-6	ACEP Leadership and Advocacy Conference	Washington DC
May 12-15	SAEM Meeting	San Diego, CA
June 6 – 10	AMA Annual Conference	Chicago, IL
June 17 – 18	Free Standing Emergency Departments Meeting	Dallas, TX
October 26-29	ACEP Scientific Assembly	Boston, MA

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Government Relations Committee



REPORT

*Diana Fite, MD, FACEP
Chair, Government
Relations Committee*

Let's start out with some facts to keep in mind. Facts always help us keep things in perspective! The Texas population is 26,500,000. There are 150 Texas House members and 31 Texas Senators. (There are 36 U.S. Congress members from Texas, with, of course, two senators.) The Texas legislature meets for 140 days in each odd-numbered year, and the session for 2015 begins on January 13 and ends on June 1...

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Practice Enhancement Committee



REPORT

Zachary Goldman, MD

Ultrasound is a common procedure used every day in the Emergency Department and falls into the category of separately billable procedures. We will take a look at the requirements for documentation and the various avenues that are applicable...

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What's Happening Out Where the West Begins?

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Tony Balda TCOM '18
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Justin Kennedy PA-S

UNTHSC EMIG hosted a Suture Clinic in September sponsored by Ethicon for 100 of our members! This was one of our largest clinics ever, and we are so thankful to Ethicon for providing the materials to give our members a great experience! Members learned basic suture skills, including interrupted and continuous techniques, along with...

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TTUHSC SOM Emergency Medicine Club Update

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Guo Yu, Amber Parsonault, Margaret O'Neal,
Sayyeda Tooba Hasan

For 2014-15, the TTUHSC SOM Emergency Medicine Club has 72 paying members and over 100 members on the email list. We are an active club that brings speakers, conducts workshops, and has a variety of programs designed to enhance student learning. The officers for this year are...

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