



On the Pathology Scene

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Message from the President

Happy Spring ISP members! We have been busy growing ISP membership including residents and practicing pathologists. Our first ISP/CPS legislative update lecture was a success and demonstrated the value of ISP and CAP collaboration. We have a new committee that is growing our social media efforts to boost ISP connectivity

Kalisha Hill, MD

among our state's pathologists. Finally, we are looking forward to the upcoming ISP/CAP reception at CAP Head-quarters and are looking forward to seeing you there. All the best and enjoy the much needed warm weather of spring!

Welcome Tushar Patel, MD, FCAP

New Board Member Dr. Patel was elected to the ISP Board to serve 2019-2010 at the last ISP Board meeting held in early April. He is an Assistant Professor



of Clinical Pathology at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) Hospital & Health Sciences System. His clinical service focus is medical renal and transplant pathology. Dr. Patel also serves as an Associate Chief Health Information Officer and as the Director of Pathology Informatics at UI Hospital, and the Program Director of the Clinical Informatics fellowship at UIC. He completed his medical education and AP/CP residency at Rush University Medical Center, followed by a combined surgical pathology & informatics fellowship at UIC. He is board-certified in anatomic & clinical pathology, and clinical informatics. Dr. Patel became a member of the ISP during residency, and hopes to increase resident engagement. He is currently Chair of the Membership Committee of the ISP, and is helping to oversee the society's social media efforts.

You're Invited





CAP/ ISP Reception Friday, May 31, 2019
6:30-8:30 PM
CAP headquarters
325 Waukegan Road
Northfield, Illinois
Appetizers and beverages will be served.
Parking is available on site.

The threat to cut payment for pathology services is unrelenting. Meet those who have your back and are fighting for you.

Join the CAP officers, president, R. Bruce Williams, MD, FCAP, and president-elect, Patrick E. Godbey, MD, FCAP, and the ISP officers, president, Kalisha Hill, MD, MBA, FCAP, president-elect, Phillip J. DeChristopher, MD, PhD, FCAP, and secretary-treasurer, Rohit Gupta, MD, FCAP, to learn how the CAP and ISP collaborate to advocate for pathologists.

Take advantage of this opportunity to voice your concerns about issues facing you and your practice.

Being a member of the CAP and the ISP strengthens our profession and bolsters pathology's influence on advocacy issues at the state and federal levels. When working with elected officials, the number of members in an organization affects its ability to impact decisions and guide policy.

Please register no later than Monday, May 27th https://illinoispathology.org/reception/



Chicago Pathology Society (CPS) and ISP

CPS and ISP are excited to now collaborate with dual board representation. Archana Bargaje, MD, Department of Pathology-Mercy Hospital and Medical Center and Kalisha Hill, MD, MBA, FCAP are working with the organization to establish membership parameters and explore future efforts.

This mutually beneficial collaboration produced the first Legislative Update which was presented at the Moss Auditorium on the UIC campus. ISP was invited to present this event hosted by CPS. Dr. Donald Donald Karcher, MD, FCAP, Director of Laboratories, George Washington University and College of American Pathologists Chair-Council on Legislative and Professional Affairs spoke on "Helping Pathologists Navigate in an Era of Evolving Health Care." His presentation is available on the ISP Website, www.illinoispathology.org.

Membership Growing -Trainees

Through the efforts of Tushar Patel and Training Program Directors ISP is now pleased to have all Resident members from the following Programs:

University of Illinois Chicago Loyola University Medical School University of Chicago (NorthShore) Pathology We are actively working with Northwestern, Rush, Northshore to recruit all their Residents into ISP membership, and expect to have this accomplished by early June.













SOCIAL MEDIA for ISP

forms and usefulness. Stay tuned for ISP's new communication tool. If you are interested in working with this task force, please contact the ISP office pcramer@illinoispathology.org

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Please Complete Practice Characteristics Survey

The CAP is fielding the 2019 Practice Characteristics Survey to gather data from individual pathology practices regarding their economics, demographics, and market trends in the evolving business environment. The survey is open from April 29 through May 17.

On April 29, pathologists received an email from lvernon@cap.org with a link that is unique to the pathologist receiving the invitation. Respondents are eligible for a drawing for either one of three Amazon gift cards or Apple Watch® Series 4 wrist-wearable device. Pathologists who respond to the survey will have early access to survey results via an exclusive webinar. If you have not received your invitation, please contact us at practicesurvey@cap.org. This survey is available to board-certified pathologists who are currently practicing in the US. The survey excludes full-time retirees, pathologists practicing in different countries, and junior members of the CAP.

The survey should not take more than 15 minutes to complete. The CAP will share the survey findings with its members in a full report and provide early access to the data to those who finish the survey. If you have not received your invitation, you can take the survey.

All responses are kept strictly confidential.

The CAP will use the data in its advocacy efforts with policy influencers, health care leaders, and other stakeholders to increase understanding of the significant role and value of the pathologist in the delivery of patient care.

Survey participants are helping the CAP to serve its members better. The survey will capture:

- Vital practice member characteristic data
- Information on the concerns and challenges of the CAP member
- Compensation data, including salary and benefits Practice-related data

Complete your survey soon before it closes on May 17

2020 CAP HOUSE OF DELEGATES TIMELINE . . .

July 2019

Call for Candidates

October 4, 2019

Submission forms deadline

November 1, 2019

Candidate slates sent to state societies for endorsement

January 10, 2020

Deadline for state societies to endorse candidates

March 9, 2020

Voting opens

April 20, 2020

Voting closes

April 30, 2020

Election results announced

June 15, 2020

Delegate Chair election results due from each delegation

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