

VISION STATEMENT

ACEP envisions a future where emergency medicine physicians have an influential voice, a strong community, and fulfilling careers that advance emergency care for all.

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Founding Mission

ACEP exists to support quality emergency medical care and to promote the interests of emergency physicians.

Purpose Statement

Advancing emergency care as the voice, advocate, and leader for the specialty of emergency medicine and the physicians who practice it.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Priority 1: Advocacy

ACEP advocates for emergency physicians and quality patient care, fighting for the specialty at every level from the workplace to Washington.

Objectives:

1. Expand and strengthen the role, approach, and impact of ACEP's federal and state level advocacy.
2. Use clinical evidence and data to engage with regulatory bodies, payers, and health systems on policies affecting emergency medicine.
3. Empower members to advocate effectively within their states, their own institutions, and in their employment relationships.
4. Evaluate the social and economic aspects of emergency medical care to inform advocacy positions and policy recommendations. (Bylaws #8)
5. Promote policy that advances universally available, cost-effective emergency medical care while preserving the integrity and independence of the practice of emergency medicine. (Bylaws #9, #10)

Priority 2: Clinical Excellence, Research & Scholarship

ACEP leads emergency medicine by setting clinical standards, recognizing excellence through accreditation, and advancing the specialty through quality programs, education, research, and scholarship.

Objectives:

1. Develop, maintain, and disseminate clinical policies and practice guidelines that establish ACEP as the authoritative source for emergency medicine standards. (Bylaws #1)
2. Expand ACEP's accreditation programs to further recognize excellence in the delivery of emergency care.
3. Lead quality improvement and patient safety initiatives that position emergency physicians at the forefront of healthcare quality.
4. Disseminate emergency medicine research and scholarship through peer-reviewed scientific journals (Annals of Emergency Medicine, JACEP Open) and collaborative initiatives with partners in emergency medicine. (Bylaws #11)
5. Partner with the Emergency Medicine Foundation to advance research in emergency medicine. (Bylaws #11)
6. Promote education in emergency care for all physicians and encourage and facilitate the postgraduate training and continuing medical education of emergency physicians. (Bylaws #2, #4)
7. Encourage and facilitate training and education in emergency medicine for all medical students. (Bylaws #3)
8. Promote education about emergency medicine for patients and for the general public. (Bylaws #5)

Priority 3: Practice Innovation

ACEP shapes the future of emergency care by identifying emerging practice models and preparing emergency physicians to lead in evolving healthcare environments.

Objectives:

1. Identify and support the practice models for emergency physicians that expand the field of acute, unscheduled care.
2. Support the creation of innovative practice models by anticipating emerging trends in clinical and business practices.
3. Monitor and evaluate the impact of artificial intelligence, telehealth, and other emerging technologies on emergency care delivery and physician practice.
4. Develop educational and other resources to prepare emergency physicians for roles in evolving and emerging administrative, clinical, and educational settings.
5. Promote the development and coordination of quality emergency medical services and systems and encourage emergency physicians to assume leadership roles in out-of-hospital care and disaster management. (Bylaws #6, #7)

Priority 4: Career Fulfillment

ACEP confronts the issues that frustrate and impact our members and champions the well-being, professional satisfaction, and career fulfillment of emergency physicians.

Objectives:

1. Lead efforts to increase career satisfaction for all emergency physicians and improve emergency medicine workplaces.
2. Address workforce solutions to ensure emergency physicians set the course for the future of the specialty.
3. Expand wellness, peer support, and burnout prevention resources to promote the well-being, health, and resilience needs of emergency physicians.
4. Increase transparency in the emergency medicine job market by sharing data on various employment settings and developing employer accountability initiatives.
5. Proactively showcase emergency medicine as a rewarding and sustainable career to medical students and residents.

Priority 5: Member Engagement and Trust

ACEP is a trusted, strong, and inclusive community where every emergency physician feels connected, valued, and empowered to shape the specialty's future.

Objectives:

1. Build the leadership pipeline within ACEP and encourage emergency physician representation within medical organizations and academic institutions. (Bylaws #12)
2. Leverage personalization and opportunities for issue/interest-based participation to make a member's connection to ACEP more personally meaningful.
3. Re-imagine the EMRA to ACEP pathway to retain more members upon residency completion.
4. Develop recognition and rewards to redefine engagement.
5. Enhance ACEP's brand positioning and communication strategies to proactively communicate ACEP's impact and value proposition through transparent reporting and regular member touchpoints.
6. Modernize the member digital experience to improve access to resources, reduce friction, and enable selfservice.