

# KNOW ACG, KNOW GI

Advancing Digestive Health, Improving Patient Outcomes

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**VISION:** To be the preeminent organization supporting health care professionals who provide compassionate, equitable, high-quality, state-of-the-art, and personalized care to promote digestive health.

MISSION: To provide tools, services, and accelerate advances in

- · patient care,
- · education,
- · research,
- advocacy,
- · practice management,
- · professional development and
- clinician wellness,

enabling our members to improve patients' digestive health and to build personally fulfilling careers that foster well-being, meaning and purpose.

#### **CORE VALUES:**

- · Clinical Excellence
- Integrity
- · Professionalism
- Collegiality
- Diversity and Inclusion

- Scientific Discovery
- Well-being
- Adaptability
- Health Equity

**MEMBERSHIP** in the American College of Gastroenterology is multidisciplinary, including gastroenterologists, hepatologists, surgeons, radiologists, pediatricians, pathologists, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses, and others with a shared interest in the care of patients with digestive diseases. ACG is clinically focused and provides members with the education and tools they need to better serve their patients, improve their practice, and advance the field of gastroenterology with research and leadership training. Fellowship (FACG) is an honor bestowed by the College in recognition of significant professional achievement and superior competence within the field of gastroenterology, hepatology, pediatric gastroenterology, gastrointestinal surgery, gastrointestinal radiology, or gastrointestinal pathology.

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS is one of the most unique aspects of the College's governance. Governors are ACG Fellows and Masters who are elected from the membership of a particular state or region. There are currently 76 Governors across seven different regions in the United States and abroad. The Board of Governors acts as a two-way conduit between College leadership and the membership at large. This helps the College make certain it is meeting the evolving needs of the membership. The ACG Governors also act as a grassroots force on important issues facing gastroenterologists and organized medicine at large at both the national and state levels. Finally, the Board of Governors is also an integral part of the College's membership outreach activities.

**COMMITTEES**: The College has 24 different committees with more than 900 committee members. Many of the policy and project decisions reached by the ACG Board of Trustees begin with ideas raised at the committee meetings and developed by a specific committee.

**ACG PROVIDES** a wide range of educational programs focusing on clinically-oriented topics for the GI professional. From national and regional meetings to the Annual Postgraduate Course and Self-Assessment Test and other CME-accredited courses, ACG educational offerings are timely and relevant and provide information you can apply to your practice.



#### ACG 2026 Annual Scientific Meeting & Postgraduate Course

The Premier GI Clinical Meeting & Postgraduate Course October 9-14, 2026 | Music City Center | Nashville, Tennessee

Excellent faculty and a clinical focus make the ACG Annual Scientific Meeting and Postgraduate Course the premier GI clinical event, and the ACG Annual Scientific Meeting the only GI meeting offered FREE to members. Network with your peers, share experiences from your practice, and get access to experts for in-depth discussions on a broad range of cutting-edge topics.

The educational program is designed with the busy GI clinician in mind. Customize your educational program and join colleagues for one day to attend one or more Friday courses, two days for the Postgraduate Course, three days for the Annual Scientific Meeting, or a combination of the three.

Attend ACG's Annual Scientific Meeting and Postgraduate Course and find:

- Cutting-edge research presented by colleagues from the U.S. and abroad
- Networking events to connect with old colleagues and make new contacts
- An exhibit hall showcasing the latest advances in technology and therapeutics
- Numerous plenary sessions and poster sessions that showcase research and provide ways to enhance patient care and improve efficiency in your practice
- Optional Learning Bonus Sessions which allow you the opportunity to explore, in greater detail, key topic areas presented by nationally recognized experts

Visit acgmeetings.gi.org for more information beginning Spring 2026.



#### JOIN ACG in a city near you at one of our Regional Meetings and Schools!

Presentations geared to daily clinical practice, qualifications and experience of the speakers, and panel discussions are the reasons why GI clinicians attend ACG's regional meetings year after year. Held in locations close to where members work and live, ACG offers solely sponsored programs as well as jointly sponsored programs in conjunction with state societies. View calendar: gi.org/educational-resources

## 2025 ACG's Hepatology School & Southern Regional Postgraduate Course

December 5-7, 2025

Hyatt Regency Louisville, Louisville, KY Hotel Deadline: November 6, 2025

### 2026 ACG's IBD School & ACG Board of Governors/ASGE Best Practices Course

January 30 - February 1, 2026 Mandalay Bay, Las Vegas, NV

Hotel Deadline: December 29, 2025

### 2026 ACG's Endoscopy School & ACG/LGS Regional Postgraduate Course

March 6-8, 2026

Hilton New Orleans Riverside, New Orleans, LA Hotel Deadline: February 3, 2026

# 2026 ACG's Hepatology School & ACG/FGS Annual Spring Symposium

March 20-22, 2026

Hyatt Regency Coconut Point, Naples, FL Hotel Deadline: February 19, 2026

# 2026 ACG's IBD School, and ACG's Esophagus School

Marriott Metro Center, Washington, DC June 5-7, 2026

### 2026 ACG's Functional GI Disorders School & Midwest Regional Postgraduate Course

August 14-16, 2026

Fort Pontchartrain, a Wyndham Hotel, Detroit, MI Hotel Deadline: July 23, 2026

# 2026 ACG's Metabolic and Obesity School & ACG/VGS/MASGNA Regional Postgraduate Course

August 28-30, 2026 Williamsburg Lodge, Williamsburg, VA Hotel Deadline: July 28, 2026

# 2026 ACG's Metabolic and Obesity School & Southern Regional Postgraduate Course

December 4-6, 2026

Hyatt Regency Louisville, Louisville, KY Hotel Deadline: November 6, 2026



#### **ACG VIRTUAL GRAND ROUNDS**

Join nationally recognized experts for a live presentation with Q&A, each week, on Thursday at 12:00 pm ET, followed by a rebroadcast at 8:00 pm ET. These free webinars offer CME credits and MOC points. Visit gi.org/ACGVGR to register for future weeks!

#### **Education Universe**

ACG's Education Universe is an online education platform that offers online self-directed CME education programs focusing on the information that practicing/clinical gastroenterologists and advanced practice providers need to remain abreast of the latest clinical knowledge and skills, prepare for the GI Boards, recertification or obtain necessary CME outside of the ACG meetings.

The ACG Education Universe provides access to ACG's high-quality educational materials in a convenient and customizable online package. By setting parameters regarding what you want to learn and the type of material you want to review, the Education Universe develops a specialized program just for you. These programs are designed to allow you to start an activity, stop at any time, and resume where you left off. Your progress will be saved each time you log in, keep track of how much CME you have earned, and you can print certificates or a statement of your CME credits when needed.

Educational content comes from a wide variety of materials, including:

- Audio/video lectures (with slides) from nationally recognized experts
- Postgraduate Course, Annual Meeting, and Regional Course materials
- Guidelines and Journal CME/MOC from The American Journal of Gastroenterology
- Virtual Grand Rounds
- And more

#### **Self-Assessment Test (SAT)**

The Self-Assessment Test (SAT) is one of the main teaching tools of the College, produced annually with the Postgraduate Course. Available in both print and online, each test includes approximately 300 questions in a single best answer format, many of which include images or videos, along with detailed answers and annotated references. The online version has additional features such as: questions organized by their organ system, immediate access to correct answers, references linked to PubMed and the ability to track your progress. These tests provide a valuable review for graduating fellows taking their GI Board and established practitioners looking for a broad clinical update or preparing for recertification.

#### **APP GI Training Series**

The APP GI Training Series, part of the ACG Education Universe, includes modules for various GI and Hepatology content areas and are structured to maximize learning and allow participants to identify key diagnostics and treatments for patients. The series is designed to be completed as a full series or as individual topics.

#### Modules:

- Colon
- IBD
- · GI Bleeding
- Esophagus
- Pancreaticobiliary
- Stomach
- Small Bowel
- Functional
- Inpatient
- Hepatology
- Mixed subject area
- Advanced IBD
- Advanced Hepatology

#### **GI Training Pathway**

The GI Training Pathway is a feature of the ACG Education Universe. Designed to serve as an educational tool for GI fellowship training, it contains educational material covering the Gastroenterology Core Curriculum. The site allows program directors to assign homework consisting of a core lecture series on a variety of GI topics, presentations from ACG's Annual and Regional Courses, ACG Clinical Guidelines, and self-assessment test questions.

The progress of individual trainees can be tracked, as well as overall compliance and achievement for each learning assignment.

Learn more about ACG's Educational Offerings



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#### The American Journal of Gastroenterology

One of the clinical journals in gastroenterology and hepatology providing practical and professional support for the GI clinician, and publishes all ACG Guidelines.



#### Clinical and Translational Gastroenterology

A double-blind peer-reviewed, open access online journal dedicated to innovative clinical work in gastroenterology and hepatology.



#### ACG Case Reports Journal

An open-access online journal publishing gastroenterology and hepatology case reports and edited exclusively by GI fellows.



#### Evidenced-Based GI: An ACG Publication

Provides clinical take-aways and evidenced-based summaries of gastroenterology, hepatology, and endoscopy articles published in non-GI journals. Audio summaries available where you get your podcasts.



#### ACG Magazine

A quarterly publication dedicated to "Members, Medicine, and Meaning" that highlights issues of relevance to ACG members and the GI profession.



#### ACG Policy and Practice News

An e-newsletter tailored for the busy GI clinician, with updates on the latest public policy and practice management news impacting ACG members across the U.S.

### SmartBrief ACG SmartBrief

A twice weekly e-newsletter that recaps important GI news from medical and mainstream media news sources.

Learn more about ACG's Publications







#### Guidelines

A tremendous amount of time and talent from an impressive pool of GI experts is devoted to the development of new ACG guidelines on gastrointestinal and liver diseases. The College's twin objectives for its guidelines are that they reflect the current state-of-the-art scientific work and be based on the principles of evidence-based medicine. The College places equal priority on continuing to update and refresh older guidelines as new information becomes available. ACG's guidelines are frequently featured in CME offerings or form the scientific foundation for specific CME programs.

→ Access the guidelines through the ACG mobile app or on the website where you can read them and listen to a podcast: gi.org/guidelines



#### The Practice Management Toolbox

The Toolbox is a series of short articles, written by practicing GI clinicians for the busy GI clinician. Each article covers an issue important to physician-lead clinical practices. They include a brief introduction, a topic overview, specific suggestions, helpful examples and a list of resources or references.

→ Learn more: gi.org/toolbox

#### ACG's Billing and Coding Forum

ACG members can send billing and coding questions to our resident expert, and receive coding and documentation assistance tailored to your individual practice's questions and needs.

→ Learn more: gi.org/coding-reimbursement



#### **International Training Grants**

The International GI Training Grants provide partial financial support for GI physicians to receive clinical or clinical research training around the world.

→ Learn more and apply: gi.org/gi-training-grants



#### **GIQuIC**

GIQuIC is a collaboration between ACG and ASGE. This clinical data registry was designed by gastroenterologists for gastroenterologists to collect, organize, and display digestive healthcare data for multiple purposes, including the following:

- Improve patient outcomes by allowing users to benchmark quality, identify gaps in care, and develop specific and targeted quality improvement initiatives.
- Contribute data for research and to assist the GI societies in developing guidelines for patient care.
- Provide quality measure data to third parties, including CMS' Medicare Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS), private payers, accrediting bodies, referring providers, and patients. GIQuIC is a Qualified Clinical Data Registry (QCDR) under MIPS.

→ Learn More: giquic.org



#### **ACG Mobile App**

The ACG Mobile app gives you access to guidelines, GI diagrams, patient resources, medical calculators, and podcasts. In addition, if you are a meeting attendee, you can view and take notes on slides and download handouts of presentations. You can also read the ACG Blog and ACG Magazine from the mobile app. Download the ACG Mobile App from the Apple App Store or Google Play.



#### **Career Center**

Whether you are seeking a new job or looking to add someone to your team, ACG's Career Center is the place to start your search.

Visit acgjobs.lww.com



#### GI Innovation Through Collaboration in ACG's GI Circles

Designed to meet the clinical, professional and practice management needs of ACG members, the GI Circles offer online communities in GI and IBD. These safe, private and secure communities provide ACG members with an easily accessible platform to collaborate with colleagues on a range of topics and issues related to the GI profession, reach leading medical experts across the spectrum of gastroenterology, and access a range of ACG tools and resources.

Visit gi.org/connect-and-collaborate-in-gi



#### **Patient Resources**

From A to Z: Download helpful infographics covering GI health and diseases to give to your patients or direct them to our website for reading materials, videos, and podcasts.

Visit gi.org/patients



#### **ACG Wellness Center**

ACG Wellness Central provides members with resources to improve professional and personal wellness.

Visit gi.org/acg-wellness-central

ACG Institute awarded

\$2.3 MILLION to support outstanding clinical research in gastroenterology.

1994-2025 ACG Institute

### FUNDED 764 INVESTIGATORS

totaling \$34.2 MILLION

and expanded from

### 1 TO 8 RESEARCH AWARD CATEGORIES

#### Junior Faculty Development Award:

\$450k/3-year

#### **Established Investigator Bridge Funding Award:**

\$300k/2-year

#### **Health Equity Research Award:**

\$75k (\$50k year-one, \$25k year-two, based on progress)

#### ACG/ASGE Epidemiologic Research Award in Gastrointestinal Endoscopy:

\$50k/1-2 years (for research utilizing the GIQuIC database)

#### Clinical Research Award:



\$100k/1-year (requires pilot data)

#### Clinical Research Award Pilot Projects:



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#### Medical Resident Clinical Research Award:

\$10k/1-year (supports travel to the ACG Annual Meeting)

#### Medical Student Clinical Research Award:

\$5k/6-10-week research project (supports travel to the ACG Annual Meeting)



#### The Center for Leadership, Ethics & Equity

The LE&E Center addresses the contemporary need for leadership training, equitable delivery of care, and ethically based decisionmaking with a suite of training programs and activities to provide transformational tools and experiences to GI clinicians. The programs under the LE&E Center include:

- The ACG Leonidas Berry Health Equity Research Award is a two-year award, with funding
  up to \$75,000 (\$50k year-one, \$25k year-two based on progress), that supports actionable
  science that will translate to reducing health and/or healthcare disparities, thereby promoting
  health equity.
- Edgar Achkar Visiting Professorships with content related to ethical decision making, disparate health outcomes, and equitable care. The ACG Edgar Achkar Visiting Professorship Program supports GI fellowship programs by providing high-quality visiting professors to bolster the training program with lectures, small group discussions, panel discussions, and one-on-one visits with trainees and faculty. ACG Institute covers the travel costs and honorarium; the program chooses the speaker. This program includes the option to focus on equity, diversity, and/or ethical care as stand-alone lectures or in conjunction with a disease state topic-driven visit (i.e., Disparities in Colorectal Cancer Screening).
- Scholarships for High School Students through the Prescriptions for Success: Careers in Medicine High School Visit. The ACG partners with a high school in the Annual Meeting host city each year. ACG sends a group of physicians and healthcare professionals to visit with students and provide first-hand perspectives on how to become a physician/medical professional, with a focus placed on choosing the field of gastroenterology, and subsequently offers a \$1,000 scholarship to participating students.



The ACG Institute and LE&E Center support four distincy leadership programs, under Leadership YOU, with each program tailored to a different career stage. Leadership YOU provides an opportunity for all four cohorts to network and engage in shared learning sessions, in addition to cohort-specific professional development. Learn more: gi.org/leadership-you

- Emerging Leadership Program: U.S.-based ACG member physicians in their 3rd & 4th year of GI fellowship training
- Early Career Leadership Program: U.S.-based ACG member physicians 1-5 years postfellowship completion. Must have completed one full year of practice after terminal GI or hepatology fellowship.
- Advanced Leadership Program: U.S.-based ACG member physicians 10-20 years postfellowship completion
- Clinical Research Leadership Program: U.S.-based ACG member physicians 2-15 years post-fellowship completion. Recipients of grant funding as a Principal Investigator/Co-Principal Investigator from any institution or society (non-trainee, non-fellow) in the last 10 years.
- → Learn more about the LE&E Center: gi.org/leecenter

Learn more about the ACG Institute







#### The G.U.T. Fund

The G.U.T. Fund and Charitable Support of the ACG and the ACG Institute—Grow, Uplift, and Transform GI.

The G.U.T. Fund is ACG's ongoing fundraising campaign that provides the necessary funds to support important programs sponsored by the ACG Institute. Charitable gifts to the G.U.T. Fund take GI forward, blazing new paths for science, clinical practice, and education for physicians, advance practice providers, and patients. Donors to the G.U.T. Fund have a meaningful impact on the direction of transformative ACG programs and in the process leave a lasting legacy.

The future holds many challenges—for medicine at large and for GI specifically. Public policy, the insurance, pharmaceutical and device industries, educational costs, environmental impacts, diversity and equity goals, and much more will continue to have great impact on the field. With your support, the ACG Institute will continue to look ahead, navigating challenges and enabling clinicians to provide the best care for their patients.



→ Give Today: members.gi.org/donate

#### The ACG Institute Legacy Society

The ACG Institute Legacy Society recognizes members of the College and the community who have made a commitment to ensure the future of excellence and innovation in clinical gastroenterology by making a provision to benefit the ACG or the ACG Institute through their estate plan. By including the ACG Institute as part of your estate plan, you can leave your own personal legacy and have a significant impact on the training and development of tomorrow's gastroenterologists. A planned gift will support evidence-based medicine, clinical research and training, leadership development, visiting professorships and regional training, and much more.

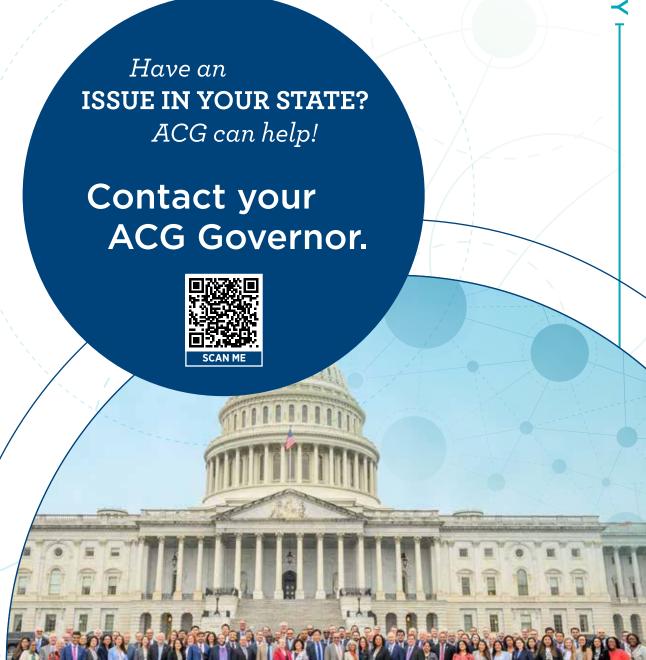


THE ACG ADVOCACY TEAM works hard to support your practice and protect your patients. Stay up to date on key issues through ACG's Policy and Practice News newsletter. Use our Legislative Action Center to make your voice heard and use our letter-writing templates to contact your elected officials.

#### **Prior Authorization Letter Generator**

Cut down on your practice's administrative burden and take advantage of ACG's prior authorization letter generator! Each letter in the generator was vetted by subject matter experts to include the relevant data and research that payors are requesting. ACG members or their practice staff simply need to add relevant clinical information for the patient.

→ Create letters: priorauth.gi.org



**SHAPING AND SUPPORTING** future clinicians and innovators in GI and hepatology. ACG offers a variety of programs and courses specifically for trainees and residents, including:



ACG-FDA Visiting Fellowship Program gives a current first or second year fellow the opportunity to apply for a one-month virtual rotation at the FDA. The fellows chosen for this rotation gain valuable insight into the drug review and approval process and gain a better understanding of the day-to-day activities that inform the interactions between the FDA, academia, and industry.

**BD**101

**IBD 101:** A **Primer for First-Year Gastroenterology Fellows** is a 1-day educational course designed to provide first-year gastroenterology fellows with the opportunity to learn about the diagnosis and treatment of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD). IBD 101 features an intimate, interactive format led by national leaders in IBD clinical care, research, and education.



The 2nd Year Fellows Course is a weekend course, and all travel, lodging, and meal expenses are covered by ACG. In addition to general sessions, attendees rotate through small group breakout sessions that include both hands-on endoscopy training and case centered discussions by the experts which follow a meet-the-professor format to encourage two-way discussion between the fellows and faculty.



Chief Fellows Course offers general sessions and small group breakout sessions over two days. During the course Chief Fellows can network, engage in small group learning, role-play, and discuss challenging situations candidly with co-chief fellows and faculty moderators while receiving real-time feedback. The in-person course serves as an engaging and motivating experience for trainees at the cusp of their careers.



**North American Conference of GI Fellows** includes research presentations by the fellows, along with lectures and coaching by a distinguished faculty of gastroenterologists. Attendance at the conference is limited to twenty-five fellows and is by invitation only.



**Navigating The GI Match - Tips and Tricks for Applicants** is a special session at the Annual Meeting for internal medicine residents who are interested in pursuing a career in gastroenterology. This session is also available annually as a webinar each Spring.



**Trainees Luncheon** is a special lunch exclusively for Fellows-in-Training offered each year during the ACG Postgraduate Course. Past topics have included "The GI Job Hunt: Finding, Interviewing, and Negotiating," "Employment Agreements and Financial Considerations," "4th Year GI Fellowships," and "What I Learned My First Year in Practice."



Career Opportunities for Women in GI Luncheon is a program hosted by the Women in GI Committee geared toward residents, trainees and junior faculty who face difficult decisions regarding the future of their medical careers. Female gastroenterologists from a variety of medical backgrounds address the issues of being a female subspecialist, balancing career and family, and opportunities for women in medicine, and, more specifically, gastroenterology. This is held annually during the ACG Postgraduate Course.



**Navigating, Networking, and Negotiating Your First Job Workshop** is a program geared towards senior GI fellows and junior faculty, addressing the specifics of both the private practice and academic job search. This workshop is held on Friday evening prior to the ACG Postgraduate Course.



Endoscopy School Hands-On Workshop Center at the Annual Meeting offers residents the opportunity to get hands-on endoscope training, with experts providing guidance on the use of scopes as residents navigate tasks using the Thompson Endoscopic Skills Trainer (T.E.S.T.); trainees can participate in sessions with expert faculty demonstrating techniques using a wide variety of equipment and products, and then have the opportunity to practice using the equipment.



The Mentoring Program provides ACG resident and trainee members with access to clinicians from diverse practice models, academic departments, and geographic regions.



**GI Jeopardy** is a friendly competition among GI training programs across North America. The competition consists of two stages; an online preliminary round where all GI programs are invited to compete and a final round where two person teams from the top five scoring programs compete in front of a live audience at the ACG Postgraduate Course.



Question of the Week: ACG experts provide a question each week designed to test your knowledge to help you prepare for the Boards. Answer online and find out the following week if you answered correctly. The quarterly prize winner receives a free copy of ACG's Online Self-Assessment Test. The grand prize winner receives a \$1,000 Travel Award to the Annual Meeting.



