Overview of the 57th Annual ACNP Program - December 2018
Linda Brady, Ph.D., Program Committee Chair

The ACNP Annual Meeting is one of my favorites. The meeting is a venue not only to learn about the latest-breaking basic and clinical research in understanding the brain and behavior but also to network with scientists from diverse neuroscientific subdisciplines who have a passion for improving our understanding and treatment of neuropsychiatric disorders. The mix of scientists from academia, industry, and the National Institutes of Health, the size of the meeting, and the meeting site itself creates an atmosphere that promotes the free exchange of ideas, the mentorship of young scientists, and fosters research collaborations.

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Supporting our Mission
Sarah Timm, CAE, CMP-HC, ACNP Executive Director

When I joined the staff of ACNP in 2005, the College had $3.1M in net assets. Since that time, those assets have grown to $13.2M. Many of our past officers, Council members and especially David Kupfer has played an integral role in increasing the wealth of the College to ensure its future. Ronnie Wilkins also played a large role in growing ACNP in his astute management and entrepreneurial thinking. He had the insight to encourage Council to purchase our office building and to begin Parthenon Management Group. Unlike many professional associations, the College is now in a position to fund many projects that work to achieve its mission.

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The Role of Science in Overcoming the Opioid Crisis
June 20, 2018

To a bipartisan crowd, the ACNP Liaison Committee, led by committee co-chair, Wade Berrettini, M.D., Ph.D., Karen Korffman, RN, BSN, Kathleen Brady, M.D., Ph.D, and Nora Volkow, M.D. presented "The Role of Science in Overcoming the Opioid Crisis," on June
Expanding Diversity in ACNP Membership in the Past Five Years
Ryan Bachtell, Ph.D., Membership Advisory Task Force Member

The ACNP was founded as a professional organization of leading neuropsychopharmacologists and has excelled in advancing its research and education missions since its inception. As the field has continued to evolve, ACNP has thrived by becoming increasingly diverse in the subfields that make up the discipline including both basic and clinical psychopharmacologists, epidemiologists, geneticists, molecular biologists, neuroimagers, psychiatrists, among others. Another important aspect of diversity that contributes to the success of an organization is the degree of social diversity. Click here to read the article.

Summary of Membership Advisory Task Force Annual Survey
Shelly Flagel, Ph.D., Membership Advisory Task Force Member

Click here to read the Associate Member and Past Travel Awardee survey results.

ACNP 57th Annual Meeting
December 9-13, 2018

Registration for the 57th Annual Meeting opened on June 5th. We are looking forward to welcoming members and their guests to The Diplomat Beach Resort in Hollywood, Florida. Click here for additional information.
2018 Travel Awardees Named
Aysenil Belger, Ph.D., Education and Training Committee Chair
Joseph Buxbaum, Ph.D., Education and Training Committee Co-Chair

The Education & Training Committee is pleased to announce the selection of 62 outstanding scientists for the 2018 ACNP Travel Award program. We received over 350 applications for the 62 awards, making this yet another year for difficult decisions by the committee.

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For a complete listing of the awardees, please click: Travel Awardee Class of 2018

ACNP Mentorship
Steve Hyman, M.D., ACNP President

One of the benefits for young investigators attending the Annual Meeting historically has been the availability of mentors to connect with them, to serve as friendly guides throughout the meeting, and to introduce them to senior scientists in their field of research. More...

Special Session on Opioid Crisis
Sunday, December 9, 2018 from 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM in Hollywood, Florida

The session is titled “The Opioid Crisis: What Solutions can Science Contribute?” The session is chaired by Steve Hyman, M.D. with featured speakers:

- Walter Koroshetz, M.D.
- Brigitte Kieffer, Ph.D.
- Laura Bohn, Ph.D.
- David Borsook, M.D., Ph.D.
- Nora Volkow, M.D., Discussant

Click here to read more about the session.

The Spectrum of Careers in Neuropsychopharmacology: From Government to Industry
Shin-ichi Kano, M.D., Ph.D., Membership Advisory Task Force Member

The spectrum of careers outside of traditional University settings have increasingly
become highlighted as promising paths for academic scientists. These careers include, but are not limited to, scientific jobs in government, industry, and publishing. The required skills and criteria to obtain and succeed in these positions, however, are not necessarily clear to early career scientists and trainees in neuropsychopharmacology. Thus, a better understanding of diverse scientific positions may help those in university/college settings consider exciting new career directions. This year’s Career Development Session on Tuesday, December 11th from 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM will focus on several examples of scientific positions outside of the "typical" university setting and will also provide insight into successful transitions between these positions. More...

Childcare During the Annual Meeting

During the ACNP 57th Annual Meeting, KiddieCorp will again provide a children's program. KiddieCorp is in its 32nd year of providing high-quality children's programs and youth services for meetings and special events. They take watching your children very seriously. KiddieCorp has enjoyed long-time partnerships with the American Academy of Pediatrics, which has helped establish KiddieCorp as a premier provider of event children's program services. This is the 7th year the ACNP has partnered with KiddieCorp to provide a childcare option for attendees.

Their goal is to provide your children with a program they want to attend while providing you with that critical "peace of mind" feeling so you can attend your meeting activities. The children's program is for children ages 6 months through 12 years old. The dates for the program are December 9-13, 2018 at The Diplomat Beach Resort in Hollywood, Florida. For more information and to register, please visit https://www.jotform.com/KiddieCorp/acnpkids. The advance registration deadline is November 9, 2018.

Important College Policy Reminders

As you are making plans to attend the 57th Annual Meeting, we ask you remember these important College policies:

1. Photos and Recording During the Annual Meeting - Photographing or recording material presented in a panel, mini-panel, study group or poster sessions is not allowed unless explicitly given permission by the presenter. Photographing a speaker before, during or after a session is not allowed without the explicit permission from the speaker. Unauthorized photography or recording is unfair to the presenters and will have the effect of discouraging our members from presenting their most recent unpublished work.

2. Acceptable use of Social Media - ACNP encourages the use of social media such as Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Google+ and blogging sites to engage our community in the Annual Meeting. We encourage you to post or tweet highlights about the meeting, discuss your favorite speakers, panels and posters and offer recommendations on which panels and posters to attend.

When sharing information, we request you refrain from -

- Photographing or recording the material presented in panel, mini-panel, study group or poster sessions. This is unfair to the presenter and will have the effect of discouraging our members from presenting their most recent unpublished work.
- Using social media to share detailed content of lectures, posters etc., especially
when the organizer or speaker has explicitly requested that some or all of the information presented is not to be captured or shared.

Photographing speakers before or after a session without their permission.

3. Organizing Small Meetings - Please do not organize any activities that conflict with scientific sessions of the annual meeting. If you are invited to attend any such meetings, please inform the meeting organizer that this is in violation of ACNP policy. If you would like to host a small meeting during the ACNP Annual Meeting, you must request approval by completing an Event Request Form and submitting to the Executive Office for approval. Please contact ACNP, acnp@acnp.org, with questions.

4. Use of ACNP Name/Logo - The ACNP name, logo, or the name of the annual meeting should not be used in association with any CME activity without the approval of the College. To seek permission to use the the name of the College, please contact the Executive Office (acnp@acnp.org), who will have your request reviewed by the appropriate committee and/or Council.

4. Everyone who attends the annual meeting must be registered and will need to check-in at the registration desk to receive meeting materials. People who are not registered or are registered as an Accompanying Person will not be allowed into scientific sessions. Attendees must wear name badges to be admitted into all sessions. The name badge policy will be strictly enforced.

5. Code of Conduct - The American College of Neuropsychopharmacology is dedicated to providing a safe and productive experience for all participants and attendees at all official ACNP events regardless of sex, race, color, national origin, religion, age, physical or mental disability, perceived disability, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, or any other basis protected by federal or pertinent state laws. ACNP does not tolerate discrimination or any form of prohibited harassment and is committed to enforcing this Code of Conduct (the "Code") at its Annual Meeting or at any other ACNP event. Please click here for the full Code of Conduct.

Updated Diversity Invitation Bank

This invitation bank allows all categories of ACNP membership to offer an additional meeting invitation to a scientist from an underrepresented minority group (including African-American, Hispanic, Native American or Pacific Islander) or a scientist with a disability. Members who request the invitation should vouch for the minority status of the scientist they are inviting. Guests from this bank may present a poster.

Membership Nominations and Promotions

Nomination materials for new Member, Associate Member, and Fellow promotion candidates are available under the Membership tab on the ACNP Website. The deadline for nominations and applications is September 5, 2018 at 5:00 PM Central. Should you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Erin Shaw at eshaw@acnp.org.

Guidelines and Instructions:

- Associate Member
- Member
- Member to Fellow Promotion

Employment Opportunities
To see a list of new employment opportunities in the field of neuropsychopharmacology, click here.

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**Dates to Remember**

- **September 5, 2018**: Deadline to submit new Membership Nominations and Promotions
- **October 25, 2018**: Annual Meeting early registration deadline, fees increase by $50
- **November 14, 2018**: Annual Meeting Hotel reservation deadline

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**Upcoming Meetings**

To see a list of upcoming meetings in the field of neuropsychopharmacology, click here.

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**Staff Spotlight**

Meet the Project Coordinator, Julie Cauthen

Julie Cauthen has been a member of the Parthenon Management Group team for 4 years. As a Project Coordinator, she acts as a liaison between customers and the PMG staff. Julie assists with membership management, member communications, and office administration for the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology (ACNP).

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**ACNP Staff Contact List**

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