

# SCCEP EPIC NOW

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## President's Message

Greetings SCCEP members,

The state of South Carolina has started this fall off with a bang with Hurricane Dorian. Fortunately, we were not directly impacted as much as our friends in the Bahamas. What amazes me is the Emergency Care that was delivered to all of those impacted as well as to all of those that evacuated to our great state trying to get out of harms way. We all did what we do best, taking excellent care of all of our patients despite what may be happening in our own personal lives. It is because of each of you that our patients receive the best care ever.

This fall is full of many great activities and opportunities to get involved in the South Carolina College of Emergency Physicians. The SCCEP Councillors are in the process of preparing for [ACEP Council](#) in Denver at the end of October followed by the annual [ACEP Scientific Assembly](#) from October 27-30. There is no better way to stay up to date with current information and education as well as networking with other Emergency Physicians from all over the US and the world. On November 13, we will hold the SCCEP Fall Board Meeting in Columbia. All are invited and encouraged to attend and participate in what is happening in our state at this time.



A few of the many items the Board is currently focusing on is Workplace Violence to make all of our emergency Departments safer and working with the SC Department of Mental Health for safer transportation of mental health patients. In addition, we would like to work together with our four state EM Residency Programs to support their professional development as they are the ones molding the future of our profession and organization.

I would like to once again thank each and every one of you for your commitment to our profession, our patients, and the state of South Carolina. We are the ones on the front lines of health care 24 hours a day, 365 days a year regardless of nights, weekends, holidays, family events and natural disasters. The success of SCCEP and our specialty depends on an active and engaged membership. If you would like to get involved with SCCEP please reach out to me directly. I hope to see you at ACEP as well as the fall SCCEP board meeting.

Best,  
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## Register for ACEP's Scientific Assembly October 27-30, 2019 | Denver, CO

### ACEP Educational Meetings

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**October 27-30, 2019 | Colorado Convention Center**

To register and learn more: <https://www.acep.org/acep19>

#### **ACEP19 PRE-CONFERENCE**

##### **Care Under Fire: EDs, Gun Violence and Threat Assessment**

**ACEP19 Pre-Conference | Saturday October 26th from 1:00 - 5:00 PM**

Threat management is an evidence-based, multidisciplinary team approach to identifying people at risk of engaging in targeted violence - including mass shootings - and intervening before they attack. Cost: \$250. [Learn More Here!](#) *Approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™*

#### **ACEP EM Specific X-Waiver COURSE**

ACEP19 Pre-Conference | Saturday October 26th from 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM

This course will provide the tools to turn lives around with best practice addiction treatments and satisfies 8 hours of training required by federal law to prescribe buprenorphine, the most effective treatment for opioid use disorder.

While most "X Waiver" training courses are developed for and led by psychiatrists and office-based addiction specialists, **this recently approved version of the course was written by a team of EM docs, specifically for EM Docs.** The MAT-EM course minimizes lecture in favor of case-based discussion and participants will emerge from the course not only credentialed to register for their DATA 2000 (X) waiver but prepared to manage all aspects of emergency care of OUD patients.

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ACEP Members: \$70 | Residents: \$50 | Non-Members: \$100. [Register Here.](#)

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### Explaining the AUC Exemption

We've heard that some of your hospitals are already implementing the 2020 AUC requirements, so we drafted a sample letter you can personalize to help you explain the emergency exemption to your administrators. [Download it on the AUC section of our EHR advocacy page.](#)

### Articles of Interest in Annals of Emergency Medicine - Summer 2019

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ACEP would like to provide you with very brief synopses of the latest articles and articles coming soon to Annals of Emergency Medicine. Some of these have not appeared in print. These synopses are not meant to be thorough analyses of the articles, simply brief introductions. Before incorporating into your practice, you should read the entire articles and interpret them for your specific patient population. [View Synopses here.](#)



The South Carolina Institute of Medicine and Public Health (IMPH) is a nonpartisan convener with the mission to collectively inform policy to improve health and health care. The Workforce for Health Taskforce was launched in April 2018 to determine South Carolina-specific policy changes and health care workforce solutions needed to create sustainable, person-centered systems of health care that promote population health. The Taskforce represented more than 60 of the state's leading experts from health care systems, state agencies, consumer groups, academia, community-based organizations, nonprofits and philanthropic organizations. In the report released in June 2019, [The Evolving Workforce: Redefining Health Care Delivery in South Carolina](#), state specific, evidence-based practice and policy solutions are outlined in four key areas:

- Embracing the evolution of health and human service roles
- Training and educating health and human service providers
- Behavioral health workforce needs
- Setting the stage for the evolving workforce

Behavioral health providers are in high demand. On an annual basis, substance use disorders and mental health illnesses cost the United States an estimated \$740 billion and \$200 billion in lost earnings, respectively. Additionally, behavioral health disorders are expected to be the leading cause of disability in the U.S. by 2020. For those reasons, the Workforce for Health taskforce made behavioral health a top focus area in their June report. IMPH has released two supporting documents summarizing the issues and recommendations including a [Behavioral Health One-Pager](#) and [Behavioral Health White Paper](#).