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The Value of Chapter Membership

Metropolitan Philadelphia Chapter of the American College of Surgeons

Why belong to your local chapter? Local chapters offer opportunities to network with colleagues in your backyard, attend seminars and other educational events close to home and monitor legislative and regulatory issues affecting Pennsylvania physicians. Chapter members looking for guidance or assistance with an issue can reach out to another member, close to home, that could be dealing with the same state-related issue.

The Metropolitan Philadelphia Chapter (MPACS), founded in 1986, remains very active in the City of Philadelphia and surrounding counties (including Philadelphia and Delaware counties). MPACS represents the interests of surgeons and promotes the ideals, policies and programs of the American College of Surgeons (ACS) which are dedicated to ensuring the highest standards of surgical care through education of and advocacy for its Fellows and their patients. MPACS is dedicated to being the voice of the surgeon.

Benefits of Membership

- Members are kept updated on legislative and regulatory issues affecting their specialty.
- Annual Scientific Meeting in conjunction with the Philadelphia Academy of Surgery offers members an opportunity to enjoy the fellowship of colleagues and hear compelling information from a highly respected educational speaker.
- Young Surgeon and Resident Committees host events to engage our young colleagues and provide an opportunity to network to discuss issues specific to their unique challenges.
- Mock Oral Boards prepare our Residents for their examination.
- Surgical Jeopardy Tournament challenges Resident teams on their surgical knowledge.
- Opportunities to learn about new products and services available to the surgical community as part of the Exhibit Hall at the Annual Scientific Meeting.
- Annual abstract poster competition provides a forum for Residents to present their research projects.

If you are a current member of the ACS, **take the next step and join your local chapter.** You have already met the requirements and standards for membership in the MPACS. Simply complete the “Membership Acceptance Form” online at www.metrophilasurgeons.org or complete and return the form on the reverse side. **Chapter dues are minimal. The value of having educational and networking resources close to home is immeasurable.**

Unlike other state chapters of the ACS, Pennsylvania is unique in that there are four chapters providing local programs and services within a short distance of your office. The Chapters collaborate on legislative and regulatory issues and offer a statewide discussion board on the ACS website (<http://acscommunities.facs.org>). The state coalition also hosts networking events at the ACS Leadership & Advocacy Summit and the annual Clinical Congress.

Not a member of the American College of Surgeons? Visit www.facs.org and join today!

