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The American College of Epidemiology was incorporated in 1979 to develop criteria for professional recognition of epidemiologists and to address their professional concerns.

ACE serves the interests of its members through sponsorship of scientific meetings, publications, and educational activities, recognizing outstanding contributions to the field and advocating for issues pertinent to epidemiology.



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Message from the American College of Epidemiology President, Melissa Bondy, MS, PhD

Melissa Bondy, MS, PhD
President, American College of Epidemiology



Dear members,

Greetings! I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and finding ways to beat the heat and not have travel delays. I am thrilled to announce that we have finalized the agenda for our annual meeting on Climate Change and Health, and I urge you to register for this exciting meeting. The conference will be held virtually from September 11th to 14th.

The theme of the conference couldn't be more timely, considering the drastic climate issues impacting our planet and the health of the population. As epidemiologists, it is crucial for us to gain a comprehensive understanding of these challenges, how to mitigate, and adapt to climate change, and prioritize actions as researchers and public health professionals to create a more sustainable future.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Ahmed Arif, the conference chair, and the members of Program Committee including Sophia Allen, John Holmes, Sandy Sulsky, Tamara Chavez-Lindell, Kelli Gruber, and Steven Waring who worked diligently to bring together outstanding speakers for this event. Please help us spread the word about the meeting by sharing it among your colleagues, students, and through all of your social media channels.

As members, you are the backbone of ACE, and your active involvement in the College is crucial to staying at the forefront of our field and fostering new ideas. One way to become more engaged in ACE is by volunteering to serve on a committee. We are continually seeking enthusiastic members interested in contributing to ACE and serving on committees. Currently, we have openings in the Communications, Membership, and Policy committees. For more information, check out our website, and don't hesitate to reach out to me at mbondy@stanford.edu with any ideas or suggestions on how ACE can better serve you. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Meagan Bowker at office@epidemiology.org.

Lastly, we have an important announcement to make. After many years of dedicated service as our treasurer, Larry Segars has decided to step down from his role. Larry has been instrumental in managing the finances of our organization and has done an incredible job. We are immensely grateful to him for his outstanding contribution to the College, ensuring our financial stability and success.

We want to take this moment to express our heartfelt appreciation to Larry for his unwavering commitment to ACE. His hard work and dedication have been invaluable, and we owe him a debt of gratitude for his service.

With Larry's departure, we are now in search of a new treasurer. If you are interested in taking on this crucial role and believe you have the necessary skills and experience, we encourage you to review the job description which is included in this newsletter. As treasurer, you will play a pivotal role in managing our finances, working with the Finance Committee, and your contributions will be vital to the growth and prosperity of ACE.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT (CONTINUED)

Let's come together to make this virtual meeting a resounding success and continue driving positive change in the field of epidemiology. Looking forward to seeing you all virtually on September 11th!

Open Volunteer Positions within ACE

Standing Committee Chair Positions:

- Awards Committee: *Vice Chair*
- Communications Committee: *Chair*
- Communications Committee: *Vice Chair*
- Finance Committee: *Vice Chair*
- Minority Affairs Committee: *Vice Chair*
- Policy Committee: *Vice Chair*

Sub-Committee Positions:

- Social Media Chair – To work as a Sub-Committee of the Communications Committee

Call for Applications for ACE Treasurer

Applications are being sought from ACE Fellows interested in serving the College in the position of Treasurer. After a decade of service as Treasurer of the American College of Epidemiology, Larry Segars, PharmD, DrPH, FACE, FCCP, BCPS has decided to step aside and open the opportunity for others to serve in this vital role on the ACE Board of Directors.

Dr. Segars will complete the current term ending at the 2023 Annual Meeting in September. Per the College Bylaws, the ACE Treasurer serves a term of 5 years and must be an active Fellow of the College who is up-to-date with their annual membership dues.

ACE Fellows interested in serving on the Board of Directors as Treasurer of the College are encouraged to apply for the position for the term beginning September 2023. Fellows should submit an informative letter describing their interest in the position, inclusive of a description of their past and current service to the College. The letter should be addressed to the ACE Board of Directors and submitted electronically to ACE's national office at office@acepidemiology.org and ACE President Dr. Melissa Bondy (mbondy@standford.edu). Application letters are currently being accepted and the search will remain open until the successor is selected by the Board of Directors. The ACE Executive Board anticipates appointing the next Treasurer with time remaining in the current term to allow for adequate transitioning and training from ACE Treasurer Dr. Segars and ACE's Executive Director Mrs. Meagan Bowker.

All questions/inquiries can be directed to ACE Treasurer Dr. Larry Segars (lsegars@kansascity.edu), ACE Executive Director Mrs. Meagan Bowker (office@acepidemiology.org) or ACE President Dr. Melissa Bondy (mbondy@standford.edu).



SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2023

CLIMATE CHANGE & HEALTH

ACE Annual Meeting (Virtual)

The 2023 annual meeting of the American College of Epidemiology will be held virtually from Monday, September 11 to Wednesday, September 13. We will have several keynote speakers

- **Dr. Francesca Dominici, the Co-Director of the Harvard Data Science Initiative and Professor of Biostatistics, Population, and Data Science at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.** Her groundbreaking work on air pollution and climate change has significantly influenced air quality policies in the US.
- **NIH will present their strategic vision on Climate Change and Health, followed by a panel of six speakers, NIH-wide, discussing climate change and health initiatives.**
- **Emergency and Health sponsored by the International Network for Epidemiology in Policy (INEP).**
- **Ethics Committee of ACE will also sponsor a panel discussion on the uneven distribution of climate change impacts on population health.**

Monday, September 11

Monday, September 11 sponsored workshops. Admission to these workshops is free of charge, but space is limited.

- **Spatial and Spatiotemporal Analysis with R/RStudio**
- **Career mentoring panel**
- **Relationship between environmental and physical health.**

Wednesday, September 13

- **INEP Presentation - The Climate Emergency and Health – what can Epidemiologists do?**
- **Presidential address by Dr. Melissa Bondy.**
- **Michael Osterholm, Director of the Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy at the University of Minnesota, will give an endowed lecture.**
- **Oral poster session taking place on Wednesday, September 13.** The ACE annual meeting promises to provide an excellent opportunity for students, members, and researchers to interact with some of the leading scientists in the field of climate change.



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