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Registration for 2012 AMCLC Is Now Open

The registration form for the 2012 ACR Annual Meeting and Chapter Leadership Conference to be held at the Washington Hilton (1919 Connecticut Ave., NW) April 21-25 is now available online at http://amclc.acr.org/RegistrationHotel.aspx. You may login to register online or download a PDF and send it to the College via fax or mail. A meeting brochure (available online) has been mailed to all chapter officers, councilors and alternate councilors currently on record with the ACR. In addition, all individuals identified as chapter executive directors, executive secretaries and administrative assistants have been mailed a meeting brochure and invitation letter with specific information on how to register for the meeting and receive complimentary registration. Please contact Fran Cordero at fcordero@acr.org or 1-800-227-5463, ext. 4496 if you have any questions about the information you have received by mail. Visit the AMCLC Web Portal for information relevant to the 2012 meeting.



Bulletin Submission Request

Is your state chapter making a difference? Maybe you successfully lobbied in your state legislature or showed a state senator around your practice or hospital. Or perhaps you even helped to increase membership retention in the College. The *ACR Bulletin* wants to feature these activities and more. Please email Alyssa Martino at amartino@acr.org with questions, ideas or for more details.

Be a Part of ACR's Commissions and Committees

With the 2012 Appointment Cycle beginning, ACR asks members wanting to serve on an ACR commission or committee to fill out their Volunteer Information Form by February 29,2012. ACR also reminds those Chapter Leaders who received ACR's Volunteer Recommendation Form that the deadline to submit a recommendation for a volunteer is February 1, 2012.

Learn How to Choose the Best Treatment, Test or Procedure

The latest release of ACR Appropriateness Criteria[®] – prepared by more than 300 expert panelists including 86 representatives from 20 nonradiology societies – provides 33 updated topics and one new criterion. You'll have access to a total of 175 topics with more than 850 variants. Choose the best treatment, test or procedure with ACR Appropriateness Criteria[®]! Access them now ...

Sponsoring Members-in-Training for AMCLC 2012 – Return Forms by Jan. 31!

Each year the ACR and its chapters work together to sponsor members-in-training to attend the ACR Annual Meeting and Chapter Leadership Conference (AMCLC) and Resident and Fellow Section (RFS) meeting. Supporting the participation of members-in-training in these meetings is an important aspect of developing future chapter and ACR leaders. 2012 marks the 20th anniversary meeting of the ACR-RFS, a meeting held in conjunction with the ACR AMCLC in Washington, DC April 21-25. Again this year, *the ACR will offer a \$2,000 stipend to chapters that choose to send at least two residents to the annual meeting and a \$1,000 stipend to chapters sending only one resident.* Please complete and return the form to sponsor members-in-training to indicate if your chapter will sponsor residents this year. If available, please provide the name(s) of the member(s)-in-training who will attend as part of your chapter's delegation. To assist with planning for AMCLC 2012, please return the form by January 31; you will be able to add names to your delegation after this date but should notify us of your intent to sponsor residents as soon as possible. Complete information can be found on the ACR Web-site.

Special Offer: AMA/ACR Clinical Examples in Radiology – ONLINE!

Improve your reimbursement accuracy and help coders understand the practical application of CPT[®] codes with an online subscription to the **AMA/ACR Clinical Examples in Radiology**, *providing access to all archived files since 2005*. Save up to 25% when you order by Jan. 31, 2011. To subscribe, call 1.800.621.8335 and reference promo code EEJSA10W.





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NEW ACR.ORG Chapter Websites and Profile Pages

The ACR web team is coordinating the launch of the new ACR.org. At this time chapters should coordinate submission of the content your chapter would like to include as part of the new ACR website. Please reference recent email communications to chapter presidents for an outline of the information sought or contact dparris@acr.org if you require any additional information or would like assistance. The content submission deadline is January 27, 2012.



Important Note Regarding Format for RADPAC Events in 2012

RADPAC will host its RADPAC Annual Reception on Tuesday, April 24 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Washington Hilton. *This reception is open to all AMCLC attendees*. Like last year, there will be a RADPAC Thank You Dinner available *ONLY* for ACRA members who have contributed (or pledged) \$1,000 in the 2012 calendar year by no later than Friday, April 6. *Please note that contributions made at the AMCLC will NOT be counted for invitational purposes to this exclusive RADPAC Thank You Dinner*. As an ACRA member, if you have a record of giving on a periodic basis to RADPAC and if you choose such a method again for 2012, you will qualify for the Thank You Dinner if your contribution totals \$1,000 or more during this calendar year. This year's entertainment is being finalized now and will be a HUGE hit with attendees! *Those who pledge/contribute at the \$1,000 level or above will receive two tickets for this event - one for themselves and one for a guest. These tickets are non-transferable.* For information on this special event, please contact Heather Kaiser at the ACRA office at 1-800-227-5463, ext. 4543.

Online Renewal for 2012 Dues Is Now Available

The 2012 ACR membership dues are now available for ACR members to renew online. Please direct members to www.acr.org/renew to pay their 2012 membership dues online and ensure they retain their valuable membership benefits. For login assistance, dues questions or new members, please direct individuals to contact the ACR Membership Department at membership@acr.org or call 1-800-347-7748.

Benchmark Your Performance Quality with NRDR

The ACR National Radiology Data Registry (NRDR) is your source for objective information that will help you assess practice patterns, target specific areas for improvement, measure progress and document your quality of service. Learn more ... Complete a New Facility Registration form.

ACR Member Benefits to Help your Business

ACR Benefits Plus provides members with discounts and special rates on business-related services and products. Here are the newest business-related offerings from this members-only affinity program:

- Shipping services: FedEx
- Technology products: Hewlett-Packard
- Electronic accounts-payable processing services: Anybill Financial Services, Inc.

• Credit card processing: Solveras Payment Solutions Learn about all ACR Benefits Plus programs...



For chapter resources, contact: Devin Parris dparris@acr.org ACR Login Chapter Handbook Chapter Services