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The holiday season is coming to an end and we begin a new year, with new opportunities, and new educational offerings for our surgical members. If you have not been engaged with Keystone or Metro Philly events, we hope 2024 will be the year you join your fellow colleagues.

This month's issue of the *Pennsylvania Surgical News* is brief as the Chapter office has been closed for the holiday. Beginning in 2024, the newsletter will look slightly different and distributed earlier in the month. We welcome your thoughts, suggestions, articles, or other items to include in the monthly publication.

As we begin 2024, the Keystone and Metropolitan Philadelphia Chapters are in membership renewal/open enrollment time. If you have not received your membership dues invoice, please contact the Chapter office (info@kc-accs.org or info@mp-accs.org) and we will make sure an invoice is sent. If you have not been a member of your local Chapter, now is the time to join. The local ACS Chapters serve as the voice of the House of Surgeons here in Pennsylvania, offer local educational opportunities, and events to stay connected and network with surgical colleagues. Thank you to our returning members who have already renewed for 2024!

The KCACS/MPACS Collaborative Task Force will be reaching out to members after the New Year with an update on the work of the Task Force and how you can play a pivotal role in guiding the future of the Chapters and the surgical voice in Pennsylvania.

If you are interested in learning more about leadership opportunities, serving on committees or task forces, both Chapters welcome you to join and share your thoughts, ideas, and vision. Connect with me for additional information.

As always, if you have comments, suggestions, or an article of interest, please email me at rcook@rmcmanagementsolutions.com.

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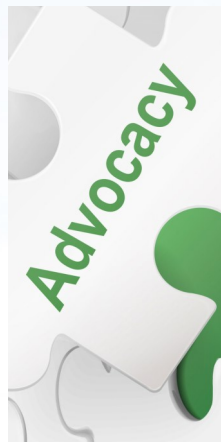
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Seeking Inquisitive Thinkers, Mentors & Idea Creators

Are you interested in becoming more involved at
the Local ACS Chapter level? The Keystone and
Metro Philly Chapters
want to hear from you!



Leadership Opportunities,
Committee & Task Force Members
Join the Team and Help Plan
for the Future of the House of Surgery



The Keystone and Metro Philly Chapters continue to monitor and track legislative issues affecting surgical practice and other healthcare related issues.

To view a complete list of Pennsylvania bills being monitored and tracked by ACS State Affairs and the Keystone and Metro Philly Chapters, visit ACS' online [State Legislative Tracker](#).

Tracker.

Pennsylvania is one of seven states still with active legislation sessions. The other states include Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

2024 ACS Local Chapter Dues Renewal & Open Enrollment

All current and prospective members of the Keystone and Metropolitan Philadelphia Chapters received the annual local chapter dues renewal notification around December 22. Membership year is calendar and runs from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

We encourage all current and prospective members to invest in your local ACS Chapter that focuses on the needs of the surgical community here at home, locally, and on the national level.

As a reminder—your ACS Local Chapter dues is not included with your ACS membership and is not invoiced on the annual College dues renewal invoice. You will need to submit your dues directly to our local ACS Chapter.

Not a member—open enrollment is open now! Join the Surgical Choir and become a member in 2024!



2024 Educational Conferences

Mark your calendars for the Keystone Chapter and the Metropolitan Philadelphia Chapter annual educational conferences.

Keystone Chapter Annual Educational Conference

Friday, May 3, 2024—York Revolution Stadium, York

WellSpan is hosting the 2024 Keystone Chapter educational conference at the York Revolution Stadium in York, PA. Additional details for this full-day conference will be distributed in early March. P. Kurt Bamberger is chair of the educational conference committee. The conference will include educational sessions, poster competition, and an Exhibit Hall.

Metropolitan Philadelphia Chapter Annual Educational Conference

Monday, September 23, 2024—Bellevue Hotel, Philadelphia

The Metro Philly Chapter teams up with the Philadelphia Academy of Surgery for its annual joint dinner meeting at the Bellevue Hotel in Philadelphia, PA. The evening will include educational lectures, poster competitions, and an Exhibit Hall. This event has been sold out the past two years. If you have not attended, make 2024 the year you register.

Watch your Chapter email for additional details on these and other events coming your way in 2024.



WHY JOIN AN ASSOCIATION?

Associations are stronger than ever. By joining, you get members-only perks, exclusive advertising and networking opportunities, and a whole lot of exposure for yourself and your institution. **Get on board and see the difference!**

NETWORKING

It's not just who you know, it's who others know. Networking is powerful.



VISIBILITY

Stand out and get noticed in your community.



HAVE A VOICE

Gain a say in what happens in government through the association advocacy efforts.



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MEMBERSHIP
BENEFITS**

CREDIBILITY

Raise your reputation through membership.



DISCOUNTS

Increase your purchasing power through members-only discounts and perks.*



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Get a competitive edge over non-members with exclusive training opportunities on a variety of hot topics.



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