

ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE

It's Almost Time to Reconnect, Recharge, and Recommit at SGIM18 in Denver!

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Our annual meeting is fast approaching. We are excited to welcome Saturday plenary speaker Stephen Cha, director of the State Innovations Group within the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation. From the Primary Care/Social Medicine residency program at Montefiore Medical Center, to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Clinical Scholars Program at Yale, to a career in the federal government, Dr. Cha exemplifies the role of the general internist in improving our healthcare system. He served as chief medical officer for the Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services and, before that, as senior professional staff for the Committee on Energy and Commerce under Chairman Henry A. Waxman. In that position, he drafted sections of the Affordable Care Act, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, and the Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act of 2007. The plenary session will be moderated by Joseph Ross, associate professor of medicine and public health at Yale University, who has known Steve since they were residents and then fellows together. What a way to celebrate the longevity of our GIM friendships!

As we announced a few months ago, there will be innovative infor-

matics-related content, including: a half-day informatics pre-course where SGIM faculty will present information relevant to general internists, a hands-on "tech alley" at the Innovations in Clinical Practice and Innovations in Medical Education poster sessions, and a Malcolm L. Peterson Honor Lecture presented by Microsoft's director of research, Eric Horvitz. We are excited to announce that Dr. Horvitz will spend the day at the meeting participating in a Shark Tank and visiting the ICP poster session. In addition, the SGIM book club has chosen *The Glass Cage* by Nicholas Carr to encourage a lively lunch discussion about the ways that computers are changing us.

Other new offerings this year will include a bioethics-focused field trip to UC Denver, which will include a tour of the exhibit, "Deadly Medicine," as well as a Grand Rounds presented by Dr. Patricia Heberer-Rice, senior historian at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in D.C., and Dr. Matthew Wynia, director of the Colorado University Center for Bioethics and Humanities. We have arranged a buprenorphine training session on Saturday, which can be combined with online content to meet requirements for

prescribing privileges. There will also be several special sessions on Saturday related to Women's Health. We also have two special TED Talk-style sessions: "SGIM MED Talks" on career development and careers in health policy. Please spread the word to all students, residents, and fellows that we have arranged a special trivia session at lunchtime on Thursday, as well as social events every day of the conference. Finally, the Denver Art Museum, located within walking distance of the hotel, will be the sole venue in the United States for the exhibit "Degas: A Passion for Perfection." Sign up to join us for a special tour of the show with other SGIM attendees on Friday evening. Of course, this is just one of many exciting things happening in Downtown Denver, one of the *New York Times'* 52 Places to Go in 2018!

There will be more content than ever. The hotel is in a walkable area. And, of course, SGIM will give you the opportunity to reconnect, recharge, and recommit to our shared mission. Be sure to keep checking our Web site for an updated schedule of activities: <https://connect.sgim.org/sgim18/program!>