

# President's Message

Beginning this year, I have been elected to serve as the President of Society for the next two years. I consider this a huge honor and privilege as I take on this role. Society members and healthcare professionals in our community have appreciated the tremendous role that my predecessor, Dr. Rubin, played in the advancement of geriatrics and success of our organization, during his term. I have big shoes to fill! I wish to thank the Board of Directors and Planning Committee members for their support and dedication to achieve our goals of the mission statement, which include the provision of educational activities for our members and for the healthcare community in our region. I would also like to thank our members, who are the strength of the organization. We accomplish so much more when we work together!



Dr. Ahuja

We are in swing preparation for our Annual Clinical Geriatric Update program which will be held from April 25th-27th 2019. Some of the conference highlights include:

- The Year in Review for Geriatric Medicine, covering highlights of recent advances/controversies
- State-of-the-Art updates on common geriatric conditions, tailored to each setting, i.e., office, hospital, home, nursing home
- Geriatric Cardiology Symposium and Cardiology Expert Panel Q&A: Prescribing and Deprescribing in Heart Failure, Hypertension; Severe Aortic Stenosis
- Special topics including: Vignettes on Infectious Disease; Case Studies in Geriatric Pharmacology; Delirium: The Year in Review; Management Pearls in Alzheimer's Disease

We continue the tradition of honoring our educators by presenting the Geriatrics Teacher of the Year Awards, which will be presented during the dinner symposium at the Clinical Update. Also, we will be presenting the David C. Martin Award to medical students and other trainees who will attend the national conference of the American Geriatrics Society (AGS), where they will present their work.

We are exploring the best means to communicate with our members to see how we can best serve you. We have emailed a survey on how you would wish to receive further communication and if there are specific topics that you would want to be covered during our summer and fall meetings.

You are an integral part of the Society and your commitment, by renewing membership, is a testament to our efforts and mission: to educate, communicate, and engage health care professionals in the provision of quality health care for all older persons.

Thank you for your support, and I look forward to seeing you at our Annual Clinical Update.

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