

The College's commitment to training programs and FITs

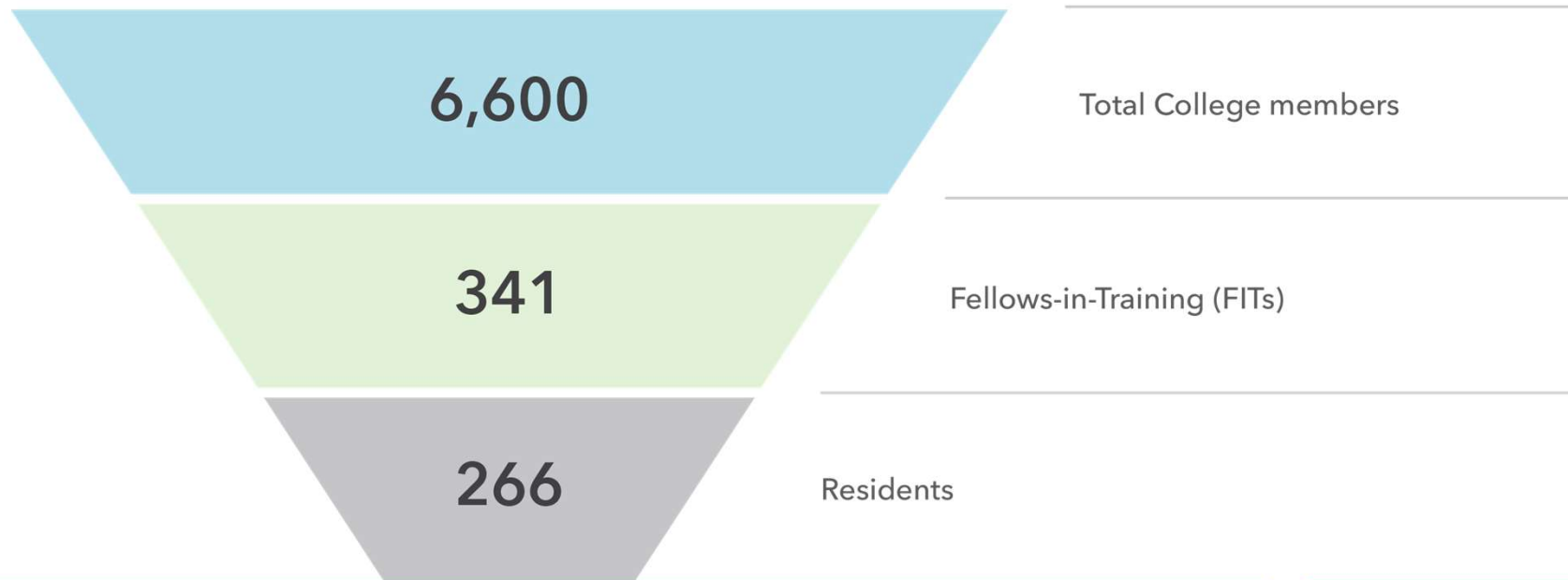
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The College

A group of like-minded allergists-immunologists who are dedicated to improving patient care in allergy, asthma and immunology through research, education and advocacy.



Have FITs that aren't currently College members?

Joining is easy – and even better, free for FITs!

- Visit college.acaai.org/fellow-in-training

Why join the College?

- Free and discounted resources, including board review tools, clinical webinars, videos, podcasts, and toolkits.
- Subscriptions to *Annals of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology*, AllergyWatch, College Insider and College Advantage.
- Access to DocMatter, our online community for clinical discussions and networking.
- Opportunities to get involved in the College.
- Travel scholarships to the Annual Scientific Meeting.



First- and Second-Year Dues-Paying Members



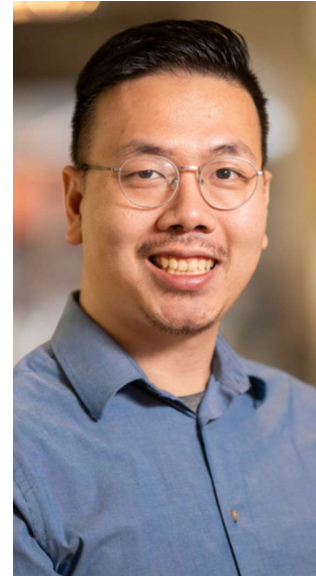
of graduated FITs continued their College membership and paid their (discounted) first-year dues.



of recently-graduated FITs then continued their membership for a second year.

FIT Representation

- Two FITs serve on the Board of Regents – **Vinh Nguyen, MD**, senior FIT representative; and **Kylie Jungles, MD**, junior FIT representative.
- 10 regional FIT representatives.
- FITs play a vital role on College committees.



Dr. Vinh Nguyen



Dr. Kylie Jungles

FIT Support

- Variety of Board review resources available.
- FIT programs at the Annual Meeting.
- More than 200 FIT Scholarships are provided for travel to the Annual Meeting each year.
- FIT column in College Advantage: Written by the senior FIT representative, it focuses on topics relevant to FITs.
- **FIT and New Allergist Toolkit** helps new allergists get started in practice.



Annual Meeting: Focusing on FITs

- **FIT educational sessions**
 - Designed specifically to address topics of relevance, including aspects of the transition to practice.
- **Meetings for FITs and Program Directors**
 - These often feature early-career allergists who share their experiences.
- **FIT Bowl**
 - Teams test their knowledge, cleverness, ability to listen and quickly respond to questions in this fast-paced event.



Annual Clemens von Pirquet Awards – 2023 Recipients



Jennifer C. Li, MD, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA – first place for the abstract “Management of Urticaria in the Emergency Department of Adult Patients: A quality Improvement Initiative.”



Ari Heffes-Doon, MD, NYU Long Island School of Medicine, Mineola, New York – second place for the abstract “Characterization of Alpha-gal Syndrome in Pediatric Patients on Eastern Long Island.”



Irene Yuan, MD, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, Tennessee – third place for the abstract “Successful Management of Immune-mediated Adverse Reactions to Insulin at Academic Institutions.”

SPARK Program

- Developed to “spark” an interest in allergy/immunology for residents.
- \$1,500 provided to help cover expenses for three days at the Annual Meeting.
- Each SPARK recipient is paired with a mentor during the meeting and beyond: Volunteers from the Program Directors Committee and FIT representatives serve as mentors.
- 2023: There were 17 SPARK awards.



2024 Scholarships and Awards

Information on **2024 travel scholarships** and awards will be available in the spring.

Look for emails and stay tuned to our weekly e-newsletter (College Insider), and our print newsletter (College Advantage), for details.



2024 Annual Scientific Meeting

- **Oct. 24 – 28 in Boston**
- Programs and workshops to enhance skills, plus a special track and activities just for FITs.
- Prime opportunities to network and interact with colleagues.
- 271 FITs attended the 2023 meeting in Anaheim.

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SAVE THE DATE!

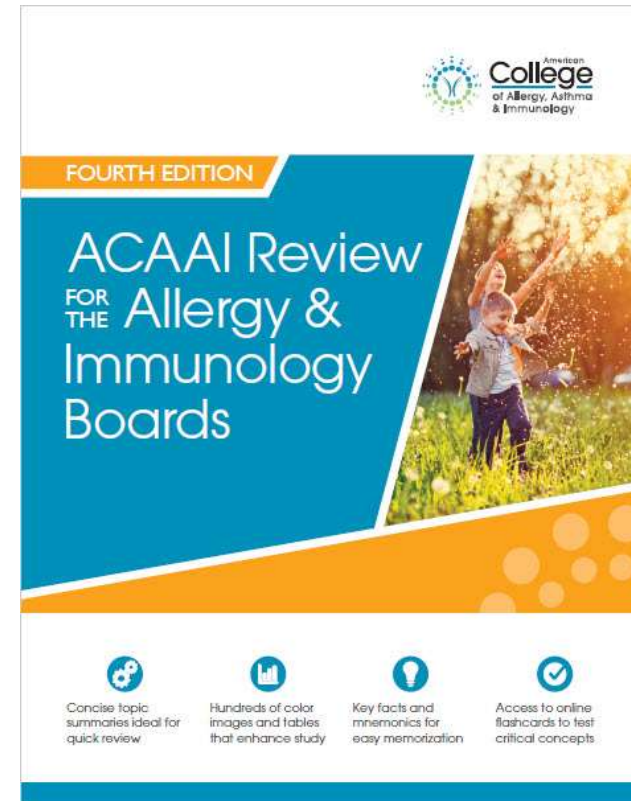
2024 Annual Scientific Meeting
**Advancing Allergy/
Immunology Discovery**

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Board Review Resources

- **AIM Self-Assessment Volumes 1 & 2:**
 - More than 100 cased-based study questions per volume.
 - Includes rationales and references.
 - Only \$25 each for College member FITs!
- **ACAAI Board Review Book (4th Edition)**
 - Available in print and online.
 - 550 pages of key concepts and facts.
 - Tables, images and 600+ eFlashcards.



education.acaaai.org/FITresources

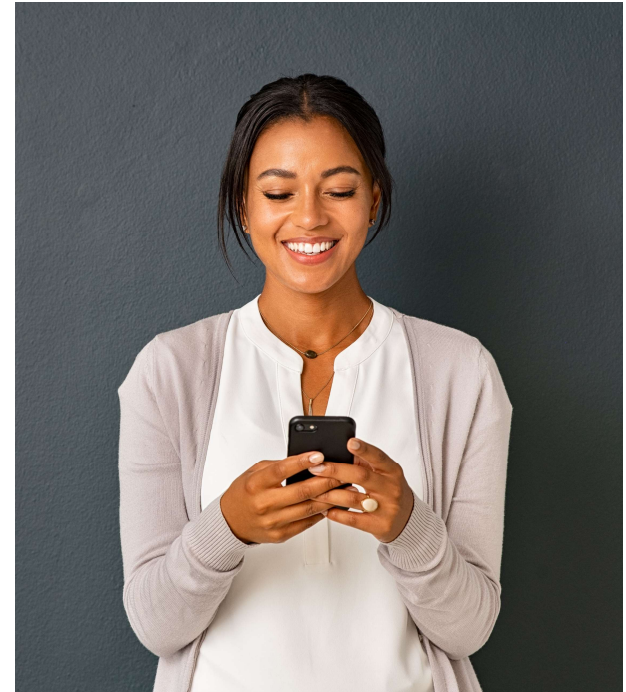
More Board Review Resources

- **FIT Board Review Corner** has more than hundreds of study questions covering A/I textbook content.
- **2022 Joint Board Review Course Online**
 - 47 video lectures
 - 170+ practice questions
 - Study Guide
- Online interactive **ACAAI eParameters and eYardsticks**.
- **Online toolkits, webinars, video and podcasts.**



The College's CLC - CME that's easy to access

- The **College Learning Connection** features more than 600 hours of instruction!
- Most modules and webinars are **FREE** for College members (many with CME credit).
- Easily keep track of your certificates.
- Access anytime, anywhere at **education.acaai.org**.



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Annual Scientific Meeting On Demand

- Earn CME!
- If you attended the 2023 meeting in Anaheim or via the Livestream program, access to On Demand content is free.
- Those who didn't attend can purchase On Demand packages.
- Go to **education.acaai.org/ondemand**.



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**Embracing the Evolution
of Patient Care**
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Practice Management 101

More than 20 toolkits with vital resources for allergists.

- **New! Relative Value Unit (RVU) Toolkit** – demystifies this complicated topic – especially important for FITs negotiating new contracts.
- **New! Appeals and Denials Toolkit** – strategies and troubleshooting claim denials.
- **Other toolkits** on coding, allergen extract mixing, prior authorizations and more.

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Community Grant Program

- Awarded 18 grants (\$300,000) since the program began in 2021.
- **Planning Grants:** Up to \$10,000 for 12 months.
- **Implementation Grants:** Up to \$25,000 for 12 – 24 months.
- Letters of Inquiry due Feb. 15, 2024.



**THE ALLERGISTS'
FOUNDATION**

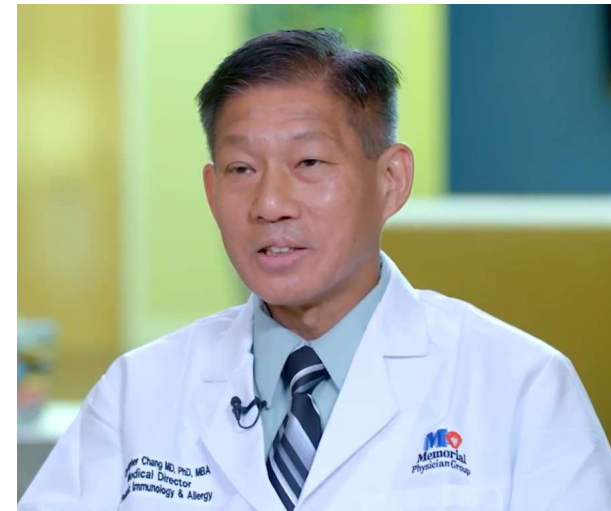
of the American College of
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Visit college.acaai.org/grants to learn more



Program Directors, GME Committee

- Supports and responds to the needs of training programs and FITs.
- Strengthens the relationship between training programs, FITs and the College.
- Focuses on emergent needs of new practitioners.
- Expands outreach to residents.



Dr. Christopher Chang,
Committee Chair

Program Directors, GME Committee

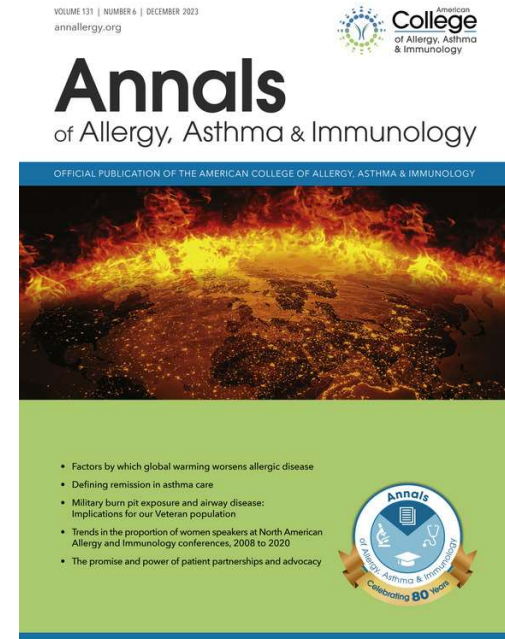
The Committee oversees:

- SPARK Program.
- Patch Test Training Scholarship Program.
- AIM Self-Assessment Program.
- ACAAI Review for the Allergy & Immunology Boards.



Annals FIT award

- Recognizes the best article in *Annals of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology* published by a FIT.
- FITs who publish the best article (original research or review) in *Annals* will receive a cash award of up to \$2,500.
- Program Directors can nominate worthy FITs.
- Details coming soon about the 2024 award.



Community Allergists Partnership in Education (CAPE)

- Launched last fall by Immediate Past President Kathleen R. May, MD, FACAAI.
- Pairs FITs, medical students, residents and fellows with opportunities to learn in real-world, allergy office settings.
- Learn more at education.acaai.org/CAPE



CAPE

Community Allergists
Partnership in Education

Community and Academic Allergists Partnership in Education and Research (CAPER)

- In conjunction with CAPE.
- Focus on opportunities for research and scholarly activity in community practice, with support from academic medicine.
- To be launched later this year.



Career Resources

Career Center – post an open position or look for career opportunities (jobs.acaai.org).

Job Fair – held each year at the ACAAI Annual Meeting.

Resolve – professional services for physicians on employment contracts, including navigating and negotiating salary and benefits. College members receive a discount! (resolve.com/pricing/acaa)

MGMA survey - The College partners with MGMA to collect allergy-specific compensation data – including breakouts for academic vs. community practice data. Please complete the survey. FITs regularly ask the College for compensation data! Get the survey link via College emails or Insider newsletter.

We're working for you

The College and Advocacy Council advocate for the practicing allergist on critical issues affecting our specialty:

- Medicare reimbursement
- 95165 issues
- Prior authorization burdens
- No Surprises Act - Good Faith Estimate provisions
- Narrow networks/Step therapy

The Advocacy Council... **ADVOCATING FOR ALLERGISTS AND THEIR PATIENTS.**



How YOU can get involved

- If you are not already a member, join the College at college.acaai.org/join.
- Apply to join the Program Directors (GME) Committee.
- Get involved in any of the College's other committees.
- Express interest in serving on the Nominating Council (always includes one PD).
- Propose topics and present or moderate Annual Meeting sessions.



The College is focused on your needs

We are proud to be a full partner in bringing this meeting and today's sessions to you.

