

Colorado ACEP Board of Director's Nomination

If you are interested in serving on the Colorado ACEP Board of Directors or would like to nominate someone, please contact Suzanne Hamilton at the Colorado Chapter office. Please complete the Board Candidate Data Sheet and return to Colorado ACEP.

In your candidate statement you may comment on any ACEP issues, plans, or ideas for the Chapter. Please provide the Colorado ACEP office with a copy of your current CV.

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Name: Rachelle Klammer, MD

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Professional Positions:

- Medical Center of Aurora – Emergency Department, main worksite
- Colorado Medical Society- Council on Legislation
- American Medical Association, Alternate Delegate to House of Delegates
- Aurora-Adams Medical Society- Board Member

Colorado/National ACEP Activities:

- CO ACEP COVID 19 Taskforce
- Section Council on Emergency Medicine – AMA Meetings (ACEP Delegation) – Meeting participant/attendee (not a voting position)
- Active in Louisiana ACEP and EMRA throughout residency

Candidate Statement:

Even before the pandemic I knew I needed to focus more on the issues facing Emergency Medicine in Colorado and nationally. While I have never held and elected position in Colorado ACEP, I have been very active in organized medicine since medical school. I am very involved with ACEP leadership through the AMA Section Council on Emergency Medicine.

With COVID 19 our specialty has shown its importance, but more vulnerabilities in the system have appeared. The pandemic will be the main policy focus in coming months but many other issues are crucial. Locally, the public option will be coming forward again. We need to fix the problems with the 2019 Out-of-Network bill. There is also the pending Supreme Court case challenging the ACA.

I am also very interested in social determinants of health, particularly how they affect our underserved and minority populations. Another personal focus of mine is end-of-life care in the ED, particularly palliative care and hospice education.

If selected as a nominee to the CO ACEP board, I plan to continue my work with CMS, AMA and AAMS as I feel it only strengthens Emergency Medicine if we spread a wide net within the health policy sphere.