



# Acronyms

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Acronym	What it stands for	Who can tell you more about it
AA	Ask and Act	Pamela Rodriguez
AAAAI	American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology	
AAAC	American Academy of Ambulatory Care	Perry Pugno, MD
AAAHC	Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care	
AACE	American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists	
AACOM	American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine	Perry Pugno, MD
AAD	American Academy of Dermatology	
AADE	American Association of Diabetes Educators	
AADMD	American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry	
AAFP	American Academy of Family Physicians	Elaine Conrad
AAFP/F	American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation	Craig Doane, AAFP Foundation
AAIP	Association of American Indian Physicians	
AAMC	Association of American Medical Colleges	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
AAMSE	American Association of Medical Society Executives	
AAN	American Academy of Neurology	
AANS	American Association of Neurological Surgeons	847.378.0500
AAO	American Academy of Ophthalmology	
AAO-HNS	American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery	
AAOS	American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons	Bellinda Schoof
AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics	Herbert F. Young, MD
AAPA	American Academy of Physician Assistants	Perry Pugno, MD
AAPCE	American Association for Primary Care Endoscopy	Pat Goranflo
AAPMR	American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	312.464.9700
AAPS	American Association of Physician Specialists	Perry Pugno, MD
AARP	American Association of Retired Persons	
ABEM	American Board of Emergency Medicine	517.332.4800
ABFM	American Board of Family Medicine	888-995-5700
ABIM	American Board of Internal Medicine	
ABM	Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine	Patrick McGarry
ABM	American Business Media	Stephanie Hanaway
ABMS	American Board of Medical Specialties	26 mbrs/specialities (org or certify bds)
ABOG	American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
ABP	American Board of Pediatrics	
ACA	Affordable Care Act	
ACAAI	American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology	
ACC	American College of Cardiology	Shawn Martin
ACCME	Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Ed	Kathy Marian, Carly Harrington
ACCP	American College of Chest Physicians	847.498.1400
ACE	Alliance of Clinical Educators	
ACE	American Council on Exercise	
ACEHP	Alliance for Continuing Education in the Health Professions	Kathy Marian, Mindi McKenna
ACEP	American College of Emergency Physicians	Perry Pugno, MD
ACG	American College of Gastroenterology	301.263.9000
ACGME	Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
AChDNC	Secretary's Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
ACIP	Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices	Herbert F. Young, MD

# Acronyms, continued

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ACLM. . . . .	American College of Legal Medicine . . . . .	847.969.0283
ACLI. . . . .	American Council of Life Insurance . . . . .	
ACLS. . . . .	Advanced Cardiac Life Support . . . . .	
ACMG . . . . .	American College of Medical Genetics. . . . .	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
ACNM . . . . .	American College of Nurse Midwives . . . . .	Diana Winslow
ACNPS . . . . .	American College of Nuclear Physicians Secretariat . . . . .	615.324.2360
ACO. . . . .	Accountable Care Organizations . . . . .	Bruce Bagley, MD, Joe Grundy, Michelle Greenhalgh
ACOEM . . . . .	American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine . . . . .	847.818.1800
ACOFP . . . . .	American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
ACOG . . . . .	American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists . . . . .	Julie Wood, MD
	(Please note that the acronym “ACOG” refers to The American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, only. The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, if abbreviated, is referred to as “the College.” )	
ACP . . . . .	American College of Physicians . . . . .	
ACPE. . . . .	American College of Physician Executives. . . . .	Perry Pugno, MD
ACPM . . . . .	American College of Preventive Medicine . . . . .	
ACR. . . . .	American College of Radiology . . . . .	
ACS. . . . .	American College of Surgeons. . . . .	
ACS. . . . .	American Cancer Society. . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
ACSM . . . . .	American College of Sports Medicine. . . . .	
ACTPCMD. . . . .	Advisory Committee on Training in Primary Care Medicine and Dentistry . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
ACU. . . . .	Association of Clinicians for the Underserved . . . . .	Perry Pugno, MD
ADA. . . . .	American Diabetes Association . . . . .	
ADAMHA . . . . .	Alcohol, Drug Abuse & Mental Health Administration. . . . .	
ADFM . . . . .	Association of Departments of Family Medicine. . . . .	Priscilla Noland (STFM)
AFM. . . . .	<i>Annals, Annals of Family Medicine</i> . . . . .	Stephanie Hanaway
AFMA. . . . .	Association of Family Medicine Administration . . . . .	Cristin Estes
AFMAA . . . . .	Academic Family Medicine Advocacy Alliance . . . . .	
AFMAC . . . . .	Academic Family Medicine Advocacy Committee . . . . .	Hope Wittenberg
AFMO . . . . .	Academic Family Medicine Organizations (CAFM) . . . . .	Perry Pugno, MD
AFMRD . . . . .	Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors . . . . .	Kevin Helm, Vickie Greenwood, Katy Jaksa
<i>AFP</i> . . . . .	<i>American Family Physician</i> . . . . .	Stephanie Hanaway
AGA. . . . .	American Gastroenterological Association . . . . .	301.654.2055
AGS. . . . .	American Geriatrics Society . . . . .	
AHA. . . . .	American Heart Association . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
AHA. . . . .	American Hospital Association . . . . .	
AHC. . . . .	Academic Health Centers. . . . .	
AHEC. . . . .	Area Health Education Center . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
AHIC . . . . .	American Health Information Community. . . . .	Doug Henley, MD
AHIP . . . . .	America’s Health Insurance Plans . . . . .	Shawn Martin, Laura Schmidt
AHMD . . . . .	Association of Healthcare Media Directors. . . . .	Stephanie Hanaway
AHME . . . . .	Association for Hospital Medical Education . . . . .	
AHQA. . . . .	American Health Quality Association . . . . .	202.331.5790
AHRQ . . . . .	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
AIDS . . . . .	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. . . . .	
AIM . . . . .	Americans in Motion . . . . .	Janet Ann McAndrews
AIM-HI . . . . .	Americans in Motion - Healthy Interventions . . . . .	Janet Ann McAndrews
ALA . . . . .	American Lung Association . . . . .	
ALF . . . . .	American Legacy Foundation . . . . .	Pamela Rodriguez
ALF . . . . .	Annual Leadership Forum . . . . .	Nancy Laughlin
ALSO. . . . .	Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics . . . . .	Diana Winslow
AMA. . . . .	American Medical Association . . . . .	Julie Wood, MD, Jane Pyszczyński
AMA CEJA. . . . .	Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs (of AMA). . . . .	

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AMA NTF . . . . .	National Task Force on CME Provider/Industry Collaboration (of AMA) . . . . .	Minda McKenna
AMA PAG . . . . .	AMA Policy Advisory Group . . . . .	
AMA PCPI . . . . .	American Medical Association Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement . . . . .	Bruce Bagley, MD, Janet Leiker
AMDA . . . . .	American Medical Directors Association . . . . .	
AMGA . . . . .	American Medical Group Association . . . . .	
AMIA . . . . .	American Medical Informatics Association . . . . .	Jason Mitchell, MD
AMM . . . . .	Association of Medical Media . . . . .	Stephanie Hanaway
AMPAC . . . . .	AMA Political Action Committee . . . . .	202.789.7400
AMPRA . . . . .	American Medical Peer Review Association . . . . .	
AMS . . . . .	Association Management System . . . . .	Gordon Schmittling
AMSA . . . . .	American Medical Student Association . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
AMSSM . . . . .	American Medical Society for Sports Medicine . . . . .	
AMWA . . . . .	American Medical Women's Association . . . . .	
ANA . . . . .	American Nurses Association . . . . .	
AND . . . . .	Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics . . . . .	
AND . . . . .	Allow Natural Death . . . . .	
ANFM . . . . .	<i>Annals of Family Medicine</i> . . . . .	Stephanie Hanaway
ANFMI . . . . .	<i>Annals of Family Medicine</i> , Incorporated . . . . .	Stephanie Hanaway
ANN . . . . .	<i>AAFP News Now</i> . . . . .	Nancy Kuehl, Editor
AOA . . . . .	American Osteopathic Association . . . . .	Julie Wood, MD
AOA . . . . .	Alpha Omega Alpha (Honor Society) . . . . .	
AOASM . . . . .	American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine . . . . .	
AOBFP . . . . .	American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians . . . . .	
AOM . . . . .	America on the Move . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
AOSSM . . . . .	American Orthopedic Society for Sports Medicine . . . . .	
APA . . . . .	Academic Pediatric Association or American Pharmaceutical Association . . . . .	Shawn Martin
APA . . . . .	American Psychiatric Association . . . . .	
APAP . . . . .	Association of Physician's Assistant Programs . . . . .	
APDIM . . . . .	Association of Program Directors in Internal Medicine . . . . .	
APGO . . . . .	Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics . . . . .	
APHA . . . . .	American Public Health Association . . . . .	
AQA . . . . .	Ambulatory Quality Alliance . . . . .	Bruce Bagley, MD, Janet Leiker
ARC-PA . . . . .	Accreditation Review Commission for Physician Assistants . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
ARRA . . . . .	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act . . . . .	
ASA . . . . .	American Society of Anesthesiologists . . . . .	
ASAE . . . . .	American Society of Association Executives . . . . .	Stacy Brungardt
ASAM . . . . .	American Society of Addiction Medicine . . . . .	
ASCO . . . . .	American Society of Clinical Oncology . . . . .	
ASCP . . . . .	American Society of Clinical Pathologists . . . . .	
ASGE . . . . .	American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy . . . . .	
ASPN . . . . .	Ambulatory Sentinel Practice Network . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
ASPRS . . . . .	American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons, Inc. . . . .	
ASTHO . . . . .	Association of State and Territorial Health Officials . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
ATLS . . . . .	Advanced Trauma Life Support . . . . .	
ATPM . . . . .	Assn of Teachers of Preventive Medicine . . . . .	
ATS . . . . .	American Thoracic Society . . . . .	212.315.8600
AUA . . . . .	American Urological Association, Inc. . . . .	
BBA . . . . .	Balanced Budget Act of 1997 . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
BBRA . . . . .	Balanced Budget Refinement Act . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
BCBSA . . . . .	Blue Cross Blue Shield Association . . . . .	Laura Schmidt
BHCDA . . . . .	Bureau of Health Care Delivery and Assistance . . . . .	
BHPr . . . . .	Bureau of Health Professions . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD, Teresa Baker

# Acronyms, continued

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BLSO	Basic Life Support in Obstetrics	Diana Winslow
BMAD	(part) B Medicare Annual Data	
BMS	Budget Management System (AAFP)	Robert Watchinski
BOD	Board of Directors	Doug Henley, MD, Jodi Belshe
BPA	Business Publications Audit of Circulations	Stephanie Hanaway
BPHC	Bureau of Primary Health Care, Health Resources and Services Administration	
BRC	Business Review Council	Lee Stewart
CAAHEP	Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (AAFP withdrew membership 2006)	Perry Pugno, MD
CAATE	Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
CACMS	Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools	
CAFM	Council of Academic Family Medicine (use to be AFMO)	Perry Pugno, MD, AAFP, ADFM, AFMRD, NAPCRG, STFM
CAHPS	Consumer Assessment of Health Plans	
CAIR	Canadian Association of Interns and Residents	
CAP	College of American Pathologists	
CAP	Consumer Alliance Program (transitioning to Right Choices)	RaeLynn Gochnauer
CAQ	Certificate of Added Qualification SEP – Self Evaluation Process (Geriatrics)	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
CAQH	Council for Affordable Quality Healthcare	Laura Schmidt
CAS	Council of Academic Societies (AAMC)	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
CASFM	Committee on Advancing the Science of Family Medicine	
CCCME	Conjoint Committee on CME	Mindi McKenna
CCHIT	Certification Commission for Health Information Technology (HIT)	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
CCM	Chronic Care Model	Janet Leiker
CCR	Continuity of Care Record	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
CCRN	Collaborative Care Research Network (of the NRN)	Kim Kimminau
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	Herbert F. Young, MD, Bellinda Schoof
CDF	Children's Defense Fund	
CDR	Clinical Data Repository	Steven Waldren, MD
CEAC	Chapter Execs Advisory Committee	Doug Henley, MD, Nancy Laughlin
CEJA	Council on Ethical & Judicial Affairs (AMA)	
CF	Conversion Factor	Kent Moore
CF	Curricular Framework (for AAFP CME)	Ann Karty, MD
CFI	Commission on Finance and Insurance	Robert Watchinski
CFPC	College of Family Physicians of Canada	Julie Wood, MD, Carly Harrington
CG	Curriculum Guidelines	Kevin Helm, Stanley Kozakowski, MD
CGA	Commission on Government Advocacy (AAFP)	Kevin Burke
CHAMPUS	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services	
CHC	Coalition for Healthcare Communications	Stephanie Hanaway
CHER	Center for Health Economics Research	
CHFM	Center for the History of Family Medicine	Don Ivey, Angela Curran
CHIP	Children's Health Insurance Program	
CHIT	Center for Health Information Technology	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
CHPS	Commission on Health of the Public and Science (AAFP)	Herbert F. Young, MD
CIHI	Center for International Health Initiatives	Alexander Ivanov
CLIA	Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment	Barbara Mitchell
CME	Continuing Medical Education	Mindi McKenna, Amanda Hanova
CME S & B	CME Subscriptions & Bulletin Department	Elaine Gangel
CMED	Division of CME	Mindi McKenna
CMER	Continuing Medical Education Records	Kathy Blair
CMMI	Center for Medicine and Medicaid Innovation	
CMMS	Commission on Membership and Member Services (AAFP)	Elaine Conrad, Stacy Wymer

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# Acronyms, continued

CMS . . . . .	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (Used to be HCFA) . .	Kent Moore
CMSS . . . . .	Council of Medical Specialty Societies . . . . .	Julie Wood, MD
COB . . . . .	Chair of the Board. . . . .	
COCPD . . . . .	Commission on Continuing Professional Development (AAFP) . .	Mindi McKenna, PhD, Ann Karty, MD
COD . . . . .	Congress of Delegates . . . . .	Diane McDaniel
COE . . . . .	Commission on Education (AAFP) . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
COGME . . . . .	Council on Graduate Medical Education . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
COHP . . . . .	Commission on Public Health (AAFP) ( <i>disbanded 2008</i> ) . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
COI . . . . .	Conflict of Interest . . . . .	Carly Harrington, Amy Smith
COID . . . . .	Committee on Infectious Diseases (Red Book Committee) of the AAP. . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
COLA . . . . .	Commission on Office Laboratory Accreditation. . . . .	Barbara Mitchell
COPC . . . . .	Community Oriented Primary Care. . . . .	
COPE . . . . .	Commission on Practice Enhancement (AAFP) ( <i>disbanded 2008</i> ) . .	Kent Moore
COQ . . . . .	Commission on Quality (AAFP) ( <i>disbanded 2008</i> ) . . . . .	Jane Krieger, Janet Leiker
CORE . . . . .	Committee on Operating Rules for Information Exchange . . . .	Laura Schmidt, Steven Waldren, MD
CORR . . . . .	Computerized Office Record Review . . . . .	
COS . . . . .	Commission on Science (AAFP) ( <i>disbanded 2008</i> ) . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD, Bellinda Schoof
COSSMHO . . . .	National Coalition of Hispanic Health and Human Services Organization . . . . .	
CPCI . . . . .	Comprehensive Primary Care Initiative . . . . .	Heather Brungardt, Kathy Marian
CPD . . . . .	Continuing Professional Development . . . . .	Mindi McKenna
CPG . . . . .	(Subcommittee on) Clinical Practice Guidelines (CHPS) . . . . .	Bellinda Schoof
CPI . . . . .	Conference on Practice Improvement . . . . .	
CPRI . . . . .	Computer-based Patient Record Institute. . . . .	
CPS . . . . .	(Subcommittee on) Clinical Preventive Services . . . . .	Bellinda Schoof
CPT . . . . .	Current Procedural Terminology . . . . .	Kent Moore, Debra Seyfried
CPWG . . . . .	Cultural Proficiency Work Group . . . . .	Melody Goller
CQP . . . . .	Commission on Quality and Practice . . . . .	Kent Moore, Jane Krieger
CREOG . . . . .	Council on Resident Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology. .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
CSA . . . . .	Clinical Skills Assessment . . . . .	
CSAE . . . . .	Clinical Skills Assessment Examination . . . . .	
CSAP . . . . .	Center for Substance Abuse Prevention. . . . .	Melody Goller
CSC . . . . .	Credit Systems and Compliance (CMEA). . . . .	Carly Harrington
CSE . . . . .	Clinical Skills Examination . . . . .	
CSG . . . . .	Council of State Governments . . . . .	Michelle Greenhalgh
CTFK . . . . .	Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids . . . . .	Pamela Rodriguez
CTSA . . . . .	Clinical and Translational Science Award . . . . .	Debbie Graham
CV . . . . .	Curriculum Vitae . . . . .	
CWF . . . . .	Common Working File . . . . .	
DAP . . . . .	Departmental Assistance Program . . . . .	Pat Goranflo
DBTS . . . . .	Doctors Back to School . . . . .	Melody Goller
DCP . . . . .	Departmental Consultation Process . . . . .	ADFM, 800.274.7928, x5410
DEA . . . . .	Drug Enforcement Administration. . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
DFA . . . . .	Doctors for America . . . . .	
DHHS . . . . .	Department of Health and Human Services. . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD, Herbert F. Young, MD, Kevin Burke
DHS . . . . .	Department of Homeland Security . . . . .	
DMAT . . . . .	Disaster Medical Assistance Teams . . . . .	
DMDA . . . . .	(National) Depressive and Manic Depressive Association . . . .	Perry Pugno, MD
DME . . . . .	Durable Medical Equipment . . . . .	
DNH . . . . .	Do Not Hospitalize . . . . .	
DNR . . . . .	Do Not Resuscitate. . . . .	
DOC . . . . .	Doctors Ought to Care . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
DoD . . . . .	Department of Defense. . . . .	

# Acronyms, continued

DoE . . . . .	Department of Energy . . . . .	
Dol . . . . .	Department of Interior . . . . .	
DOMD . . . . .	Division of Medicine and Dentistry . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
DRG . . . . .	Diagnosis Related Groups . . . . .	
DSCUS . . . . .	Distilled Spirits Council of the United States . . . . .	
ePrescribing . . . . .	Electronic Prescribing EHR - Electronic Health Record . . . . .	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
eRx . . . . .	Electronic Prescribing . . . . .	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
E/M . . . . .	Evaluation and Management (Services) . . . . .	Kent Moore, Debra Seyfried
EBCME . . . . .	Evidence Based Continuing Medical Education . . . . .	Kathy Marian
ECFMG . . . . .	Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
EGAPP . . . . .	Evaluation of Genomics Applications in Practice and Prevention . . . . .	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
EHR . . . . .	Electronic Health Record . . . . .	
ENACT . . . . .	Effective National Action to Control Tobacco . . . . .	
EOM . . . . .	Educational Outcome Measures . . . . .	Kathy Marian
EPA . . . . .	Environmental Protection Agency . . . . .	
EPCPG . . . . .	Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD, Bellinda Schoof
EPO . . . . .	Exclusive Provider Organization . . . . .	
ERAS . . . . .	Electronic Residency Application Service . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
ERISA . . . . .	Employee Retirement Income Security Act . . . . .	
EXCEL . . . . .	External Comparative Evaluation for Laboratories . . . . .	Barbara Mitchell
FamMedPAC . . . . .	AAFP Federal Political Action Committee . . . . .	Mark Cribben, Kevin Burke
FDA . . . . .	Food and Drug Administration . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD, Debbie Weiner
FFI . . . . .	Faculty Futures Initiative . . . . .	Stacy Brungardt
FFM . . . . .	Future of Family Medicine Project (formerly FoFM) . . . . .	Sarah Thomas
FMC . . . . .	Family Medicine Centers . . . . .	Kevin Helm, Vickie Greenwood
FMCR . . . . .	Family Medicine Curriculum Resource Project . . . . .	Stacy Brungardt
FMIG . . . . .	Family Medicine Interest Group . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
FMLA . . . . .	Family and Medical Leave Act . . . . .	Lisa Sinow
FMRNA . . . . .	Family Medicine Residency Nurses Association <i>use to be AFPRN</i> . . . . .	Pat Goranflo
FMTN . . . . .	Family Medicine Television Network . . . . .	Perry Pugno, MD
FOPE II . . . . .	Future of Pediatric Education II . . . . .	Perry Pugno, MD
FP-IQ . . . . .	Family Physicians - Improving Quality . . . . .	
FPA . . . . .	FP Audio . . . . .	Elaine Gangel
FPBRN . . . . .	The Federation of Practice-Based Research Networks . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD
FPC . . . . .	Family Practice Center . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD, Kevin Helm, Vickie Greenwood
FPE . . . . .	FP Essentials . . . . .	Elaine Gangel
FPIH . . . . .	Family Practice in Healthcare Organizations . . . . .	
FPIN . . . . .	Family Physicians Inquiries Network . . . . .	
FPM . . . . .	<i>Family Practice Management</i> . . . . .	Stephanie Hanaway
FPOY . . . . .	Family Physician of the Year Award . . . . .	Janelle Davis
FSA . . . . .	Family Support Administration . . . . .	
FSMB . . . . .	Federation of State Medical Boards . . . . .	Julie Wood MD
FTC . . . . .	Federal Trade Commission . . . . .	
FVPPF . . . . .	Family Violence Prevention Fund . . . . .	Patrick McGarry
GAF . . . . .	Geographic Adjustment Factor . . . . .	Kent Moore
GAME . . . . .	Global Alliance for Medical Education . . . . .	Kathy Marian
GAO . . . . .	U. S. Governmental Accountability Office . . . . .	
GDP . . . . .	Gross Domestic Product . . . . .	
GLBT . . . . .	Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender . . . . .	Callie Castro
GLMA . . . . .	Gay Lesbian Medical Association . . . . .	415.255.4547
GLOBAL ALSO . . . . .	ALSO for Developing Countries . . . . .	Diana Winslow
GME . . . . .	Graduate Medical Education . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
GMENAC . . . . .	Graduate Medical Education National Advisory Council . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD

# Acronyms, continued

GPC.....	Genetics in Primary Care .....	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
GPCI.....	Geographic Practice Cost Index .....	Kent Moore, Jerome Connolly
GPO.....	Government Printing Office .....	
GR.....	Governmental Relations .....	Kevin Burke
GROW.....	Genetics Resources on the Web .....	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
GSA.....	General Services Administration.....	
HAP.....	Hospital Accreditation Program .....	
HCPCS.....	Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System .....	Kent Moore, Cindy Hughes
HEDIS.....	Healthplan Employer Data and Information Set .....	
HEP.....	Health Education Program .....	
HHS.....	Health and Human Services, US Dept of .....	Perry Pugno, MD, Herbert F. Young, MD, Kevin Burke
HICT.....	Health Information and Communication Technology .....	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
HIE.....	Health Information Exchanges .....	Steven Waldren, MD
HIPAA.....	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act .....	Debra Seyfried, Renae Moch
HIT.....	Health Information and Technology .....	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
HIV.....	Human Immunodeficiency Virus.....	
HMHB.....	Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition .....	
HMO.....	Health Maintenance Organization .....	
HMSS.....	Hospital Medical Staff Section .....	
HOPS.....	Health of the Public and Science Division (AAFP) .....	Herbert F. Young, MD
HPNEC.....	Health Professions and Nursing Education Coalition .....	Teresa Baker
HPSA.....	Health Professions Shortage Area .....	Bob Phillips, MD
HRSA.....	Health Resources and Services Administration .....	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
HSQB.....	Health Standards & Quality Bureau .....	
HUD.....	Department of Housing & Urban Development .....	
ICD-9/ICD-10...	International Classification of Disease (9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> Edition) .....	Kent Moore, Debra Seyfried
ICFM.....	International Center for Family Medicine .....	
ICIC.....	Improving Chronic Illness Care.....	Janet Leiker
ICPC.....	International Classification on Primary Care.....	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
IEP.....	Interest and Expertise Portfolio (faculty database).....	Gordon Schmittling, Ann Karty, MD
IGC.....	Interdisciplinary Generalist Curriculum.....	Julie Wood, MD
IGSI.....	Inter-Organizational Group on Student Interest .....	
IHI.....	Institute for Health Care Improvement .....	Bruce Bagley, MD
IHS.....	Friends of Indian Health Service The Academy joined the Friends of IHS, a lobbying coalition of individuals and 35 health care groups, in January 2000. The 1999 AAFP Congress of Delegates voted for the Academy to join the coalition, formed in 1997 to support funding for the Indian Health Service	
IMC.....	International Medical Corps .....	
IME.....	Indirect Medical Education .....	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
IMG.....	International Medical Graduates.....	Stanley Kozakowski, MD, Callie Castro
IMN.....	Interactive Medical Networks .....	
IOM.....	Institute of Medicine .....	
IPA.....	Independent Practice Association.....	
IRB.....	Institutional Review Board .....	Tom Robinett
ITE.....	In-Training Examination .....	ABFM - 888.995.5700
JABFM.....	Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine .....	ABFM - 888.995.5700
JAMA.....	Journal of the American Medical Association .....	
JC.....	Joint Commission .....	Joe Grundy
JFP.....	<i>Journal of Family Practice</i> .....	Stephanie Hanaway
JGAP.....	Joint Grant Awards Program.....	Susie Morantz, AAFP Foundation
JHCPU.....	Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved .....	
JMMS.....	Journal for Minority Medical Students.....	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
JNC.....	Joint National Committee on the Detection, Evaluation and Treatment of Hypertension .....	

# Acronyms, continued

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JRC	Joint Review Committee	
JRC-AT	Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Athletic Training	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
KCSAE	Kansas City Society of Association Executives	
KSA	Knowledge, Skills & Attitudes	Kathy Marian
KSBN	Kansas State Board of Nursing	Diana Winslow
LCME	Liaison Committee on Medical Education	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
LEP	Limited English Proficiency	
LGA	Legislation and Governmental Affairs	Kevin Burke
LINNAEUS	Learning In an InterNational Network About Errors and Understanding Safety	
LLLI	La Leche League International	
LLP	Lifelong Learning Platform	Minda McKenna, Susanna Guzman, Gordon Schmittling
LMS	Learning Management System	Laura Filla, Kathy Marian
LO	Learning Objectives	Kathy Marian
LOA	Letter of Agreement	
LOI	Letter of Intent	
LOS	Letter of Support	
MAAC-LC	Maximum Allowed Actual Charge or Limiting Charge	Kent Moore
MAC	Medicare Administrative Contractor	
MAC	Monitored Anesthesia Care	
MAP	Member Advisory Panel (Disaster Preparedness)	Melody Goller
MC-FP	Maintenance of Certification for Family Physicians	Elizabeth Campbell
SAM	Self Assessment Module	
KA	Knowledge Assessment – SAM question	
ClinSim	Clinical Simulation – simulated patient	
PPM	Performance in Practice Module	
MIMM	Methods in Medicine Module	
PSM	Patient Safety Module	
Part 1	Evidence of Professional Standing (Licensure)	
Part II	Self Assessment and Lifelong Learnings (SAMs)	
Part III	Cognitive Expertise (Examination)	
Part IV	Performance in Practice (PPMs, MIMMs, METRIC, etc.)	ABFM - 888.995.5700
MCAT	Medical College Administration Test	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
MCC	Medical Council of Canada	
MCCQE	Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Examination	
MCHB	Maternal and Child Health Bureau	
MCN	Migrant Clinicians Network	
MCO	Managed Care Organization	
MCP	Monthly Capitation Payment	
MedPAC	Medicare Payment Advisory Commission	Jerry Connolly
MEI	Medicare Economic Index	Kent Moore
METRIC	Measuring, Evaluating and Translating Research Into Care	Gary Bird
MFS	Medicare Fee Schedule	Kent Moore, Robert Bennett
MGMA	Medical Group Management Association	
MHIQ	Medical Home Implementation Quotient	
MLE	Medical Laboratory Evaluation	
MLP	Mid Level Provider	
MMP	Methodical Management Project	
MOC	Maintenance of Certification	Mindi McKenna
MOD	March of Dimes	
MOL	Maintenance of Licensure	
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding	
MPH	Masters in Public Health	Perry Pugno, MD

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# Acronyms, continued

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MROC	Marketing Research Online Community	
MSS	Medical Student Section (AMA)	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
MUA	Medically Underserved Areas	
MVPS	Medicare Volume Performance Standard (Superseded by SGR (see page 11))	Kent Moore
NA	Needs Assessments	Kathy Marian
NACCHO	National Association of County and City Health Officials	Herbert F. Young, MD
NACHRQ	National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality	
NAEPP	National Asthma Education and Prevention Program	Bellinda Schoof
NAHH	National Alliance for Hispanic Health	
NAHQ	National Association Healthcare Quality	Janet Leiker
NAIC	National Association of Insurance Commissioners	
NAIS	National Adult and Influenza Immunization Summit	Herbert F. Young, MD
NAMCP	National Association of Managed Care Physicians	
NAPCRG	North American Primary Care Research Group	Angela Broderick
NAPPP	National Alliance of Professional Psychology Providers	
NASHP	National Academy for State Health Policy	Michelle Greenhalgh
NASN	National Association of School Nurses	Patrick McGarry
NAWHME	National Academy of Women's Health Medical Education	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
NBCFM	National Bipartisan Commission on the Future of Medicare	
NBME	National Board of Medical Examiners	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
NC	National Conference of Family Medicine Residents and Medical Students	Jenifer Scheibler
NCCLS	National Committee on Clinical Laboratory Standards	Barbara Mitchell
NCCPA	National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
NCCRCG	National Coordinating Center for the Regional Genetics and Newborn Screening Collaborative Groups	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
NCFMR	National Congress of Family Medicine Residents	Jenifer Scheibler
NCEP	National Cholesterol Education Program (of NHLBI)	Bellinda Schoof
NCHPEG	National Coalition for Health Professional Education in Genetics	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
NCHS	National Center for Health Statistics	
NCI	National Cancer Institute	
NCIRD	National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (CDC)	Bellinda Schoof
NCMHD	National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities	
NCOA	National Council on the Aging	
NCPIE	National Council for Patient Information and Education	301-656-8565
NCQA	National Committee for Quality Assurance	Bruce Bagley, MD, Janet Leiker
NCSC	National Conference of Special Constituencies	Callie Castro
NCSL	National Conference of State Legislatures	Michelle Greenhalgh
NCSM	National Congress of Student Members	Jenifer Scheibler
NDBP	National Blood Disorders Program (NHLBI)	Bellinda Schoof
NDEP	National Diabetes Education Program (of NIDDK and CDC)	Belinda Schoof
NDMDA	National Depressive and Manic Depressive Association	Perry Pugno, MD
NDP	National Demonstration Project	TransforMED
NEJM	<i>New England Journal of Medicine</i>	Stephanie Hanaway
NFME	National Fund for Medical Education	
NGA	National Governors Association	Michelle Greenhalgh
NHC	National Health Council	
NHCVA	National Health Collaboration on Violence and Abuse	Patrick McGarry
NHGRI	National Human Genome Research Institute	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
NHIN	National Health Information Network	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
NHLBI	National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute	Herbert F. Young, MD
NHMA	National Hispanic Medical Association	202.628.5895

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# Acronyms, continued

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NHSC	National Health Service Corps	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
NHTSA	National Highway Traffic Safety Administration	
NIAAA	National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism	
NICHQ	National Initiative for Children's Health Care Quality	
NIDA	National Institute of Drug Abuse	
NIDDK	National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases	Herbert F. Young, MD
NIDDM	Noninsulin-dependent Diabetes	Perry Pugno, MD
NIH	National Institutes of Health (12 institutes)	Teresa Baker
NIMH	National Institute of Mental Health	Patrick McGarry, Herbert F. Young, MD
NIOSH	National Institute of Occupational Safety & Health	
NIPDD	National Institute for Program Director Development	Vickie Greenwood, Sam Pener
NLM	National Library of Medicine ( <a href="http://ghr.nlm.nih.gov">http://ghr.nlm.nih.gov</a> )	
NMA	National Medical Association	202.347.1895
NME	New Molecular Entity (FDA Term)	Stephanie Hanaway
NMHA	National Mental Health Association	
NMHEF	National Minority Health Month Foundation	
NP	Nurse Practitioner	
NPSF	National Patient Safety Foundation	
NQF	National Quality Forum	Janet Leiker, Bruce Bagley, MD
NRHA	National Rural Health Association	Jerome Connolly
NRMP	National Resident Matching Program	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
NRN	National Research Network	Wilson Pace, MD, Debbie Graham
NRSA	National Research Service Award	
NSGC	National Society for Genetic Counselors	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
NTFCME-PIC	National Task Force on CME-Provider/Industry Collaboration	Mindi McKenna
NTP	National Toxicology Program	
NVAC	National Vaccine Advisory Committee	Bellinda Schoof
OAPM WG	Opioid Abuse and Pain Management Work Group	Melody Goller
OASH	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health	Kevin Burke
ODPHP	Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (HHS)	Herbert F. Young, MD
OHDS	Office of Human Development Services	
OIG	Office of Inspector General	Shawn Martin
OMB	Office of Management and Budget	Kevin Burke, Teresa Baker
OMH	Office of Minority Health	800.444.6472
OMHRC	Office of Minority Health Resource Center	
ONC	Office National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (HIT)	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
ONDCP	Office of National Drug Control Policy (National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign)	
OPDA	Organization of Program Directors Association	
ORMC	Organization of Regional Medical Campuses Deans	Perry Pugno, MD
ORR	Organization of Resident Representatives of the AAMC (Association of American Medical Colleges)	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
OS	Office of the Secretary of H.H.S.	Kevin Burke
OSCE	Observed Structured Clinical Examination	
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration	
OSR	Organization of Student Representatives (AAMC)	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
OWH	Office of Women's Health	Debbie Weiner
P30	Center Core Grant (NIH)	Debbie Graham
P4	Preparing the Personal Physician for Practice	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
PA	Physician Assistant	
PAC	Physician Assistant Certified	
PAC	Political Action Committee	Mark Cribben, Kevin Burke
PAHO	Pan American Health Organization	

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PALS	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	
PBRN	Practice-Based Research Network	Herbert F. Young, MD
PCFS	Primary Care Fellowship Society	Perry Pugno, MD
PCMA	Professional Convention Management Association	
PCMH	Patient-Centered Medical Home	Shawn Martin, Janelle Johnson
PCOC	Primary Care Organizations Consortium	Perry Pugno, MD
PCORI	Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute	Debbie Graham
PCPA	Physician Clinical Performance Assessment	
PCPCC	Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative	Shawn Martin
PCPFS	President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports	
PCPI	Physicians Consortium for Performance Improvement	Bruce Bagley, MD, Janet Leiker
PDW	Program Directors Workshop	Katy Jaksa
PEF	Practice Enhancement Forum	
PEHRC	Physicians Electronic Health Record (EHR) Coalition	
	HIE - Health Information Exchange	Steven Waldren, MD, Jason Mitchell, MD
PEP	Preceptor Education Project	STFM
PfP	Peers for Progress	Erika Perkins
PhRMA	Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America	Debbie Weiner
PHS	Public Health Service	
PIC	Practice Improvement Conference	
PI CME	Performance Improvement CME	Gary Bird, Kathy Marian
PIH	Partner's in Health	
PIMS	Physicians in Management Series (ACPE)	Perry Pugno, MD
PLF	Pisacano Leadership Foundation	ABFM - 888-995-5700
PMA	Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association	
PMT	Project Management Team (AAFP)	
POE	Program of Excellence Award (FMIG)	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
POL	Physician Office Laboratory	Barbara Mitchell
PPAC	Practicing Physicians' Advisory Council (to CMS)	Jerry Connolly
PPE	Practicing Physician Education	
PPE	Preparticipation Physical Evaluation (from CHPS)	Patrick McGarry, Diana Swafford
PPIP	Put Prevention Into Practice	
PPO	Preferred Provider Organization	
PPP	Practice Parameter Partnership	
PPRC	Physician Payment Review Commission (superseded by the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPaC))	(see page 8)
PPS	Prospective Payment System	
PQRS	Physicians Quality Reporting System	Bruce Bagley, MD, Kent Moore
PRICE	Physicians for Research in Cost-Effectiveness	
PRO	Peer Review Organization	
PSA	Private Sector Advocacy	Laura Schmidt
PSNs	Physician or Provider Sponsored Networks	
PT	Proficiency Testing	Barbara Mitchell
PTAC	Professional Technical Advisory Committees (of Joint Commission)	Joe Grundy
QI	Quality Improvement	Janet Leiker
QIO	Quality Improvement Organization	Bruce Bagley, MD, Janet Leiker
R01	Refers to specific Research Project Grant (NIH)	Debbie Graham
RASL	Resident and Student Listserv	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
RBPE	Resource-Based Practice Expenses	Kent Moore
RBRVS	Resource Based Relative Value Scale	Kent Moore
RC	Research Committee	Susie Morantz, AAFP Foundation
RC-FM	Review Committee for Family Medicine	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
REMS	Risk Evaluation and Management Strategies	Kathy Marian
RFP	Request for Proposal	

# Acronyms, continued

RFS	Resident and Fellow Section	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
RGC	Robert Graham Center	Bridget Teevan, Kim Epperson
RPM	Resident Performance Assessment	ABFM - 888.995.5700
RPS	Residency Program Solutions ( <i>used to be RAP</i> )	Pat Goranflo
RPS	Resident Portfolio System	ABFM — 888.995.5700
RS	Research Stimulation Grants	Susie Morantz, AAFP Foundation
RSF	Ready, Set, FIT!	Janet Ann McAndrews
RTM	Resident Training Management	ABFM — 888.995.5700
RUC	American Medical Association/Specialty Society Relative Value Scale Update Committee	Kent Moore
RVU	Relative Value Unit	Kent Moore
RWJF	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	
SACGHS	Secretary's Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health and Society	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
SACME	Society of Academic Continuing Medical Education	Gary Bird, Kathy Marian
SAM	Society of Adolescent Medicine	
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration	
SASP	Subcommittee on Assembly Scientific Program	Linda Swift, Jeana Higginbottom, Ann Karty, MD
SCCA	Subcommittee on Clinical Content & Accreditation	Carly Harrington
SCIACTS	Scientific Activities Division (now HOPS)	Herbert F. Young, MD
SCLC	Smoking Cessation Leadership Center	Pamela Rodriguez
SCS	Special Constituencies Subcommittee	Callie Castro
SDUP	Subcommittee on Disparities and Underserved Populations (CHPS - Now folded into SHE)	Patrick McGarry, Melody Goller
SGFHI	Surgeon General's Family History Initiative	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
SGIM	Society for General Internal Medicine	
SGNK	Subcommittee on Generation of New Knowledge (CHPS) (Disbanded 2012)	Herbert F. Young, MD
SGR	Sustainable Growth Rate	Kent Moore
SHE	Subcommittee on Health Equity	Patrick McGarry, PhD, Melody Goller
SNAP	Society of National Association Publications	
SNF	Skilled Nursing Facility	
SNM	Society of Nuclear Medicine	703.708.9000
SNMA	Student National Medical Association	Stanley Kozakowski, MD
SOC	State Officers' Conference – now called the Annual Leadership Forum (ALF) (see page 2)	Nancy Laughlin
SOG	Subcommittee on Geonomics (Disbanded 2011)	Michelle Jeffcott-Pera
SOMA	Student Osteopathic Medical Association	
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure	
SOPP	Scope of Practice Partnership	Shawn Martin, Michelle Greenhalgh
SPCPF	Society of Primary Care Policy Fellows	Perry Pugno, MD
SPHI	Subcommittee on Public Health Issues (CHPS)	Patrick McGarry
SPT	Standardized Patient Test	
SRDS	Standard Rate and Data Service	Stephanie Hanaway
SSI	Supplemental Security Income	
STFM	Society of Teachers of Family Medicine	Stacy Brungardt
t2p	Translation to Practice	Carly Harrington
TAGME	Training Administrators for Graduate Medical Education	
TAP	The Atlantic Philanthropies	Jane Krieger, Wes James, Elizabeth Campbell
TFCPS	Task Force on Community Preventive Services	Patrick McGarry, PhD
TW	Tar Wars	Pamela Rodriguez
UCDS	Uniform Clinical Data Set	
UI	Urban Institute	
UME-21	Undergraduate Medical Education for the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century	Perry Pugno, MD
UNOS	United Network of Organ Sharing	

# Acronyms, continued

UPD . . . . .	Universal Provider Datasource . . . . .	Laura Schmidt
URAC . . . . .	Utilization Review Accreditation Commission . . . . .	Bruce Bagley, MD, Janet Leiker
URL . . . . .	Uniform Resource Locator (address on the Web) . . . . .	
USBC . . . . .	United States Breastfeeding Committee . . . . .	Patrick McGarry
USDA . . . . .	Department of Agriculture . . . . .	
USMLE . . . . .	U.S. Medical Licensing Examination . . . . .	Stanley Kozakowski, MD,
USPSTF . . . . .	United States Preventive Services Task Force . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD, Bellinda Schoof
VA . . . . .	Department of Veterans' Affairs . . . . .	
VFC . . . . .	Vaccines for Children . . . . .	Herbert F. Young, MD, Bellinda Schoof
WHO . . . . .	World Health Organization . . . . .	Alexander Ivanov
WONCA . . . . .	World Organization of National Colleges, Academies, and Academic Associations of General Practitioners/Family Physicians (World Organization of Family Doctors) . . . . .	Alexander Ivanov
YPS . . . . .	Young Physician Section (AMA) . . . . .	Callie Castro

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