GLC Beginnings and Membership

The Great Lakes Chapter of the American Association of Physicists in Medicine was founded in 1976. Our chapter draws its membership from throughout Michigan, northwest Ohio, and Ontario, Canada. We are fortunate to have a large group of members engaged at the local and national levels of our profession. Additionally, the Great Lakes Chapter boasts 25 fellows of the AAPM.

GLC Residency Cross Training Initiative

The GLC AAPM has initiated a GLC Physics Residency Cross Training Program that allows greater educational opportunities and collaboration for the physics residents in the Great Lakes Chapter region.

Participating residency programs include: Henry Ford Health, Karmanos, Corewell Health, Windsor Regional Cancer, University of Michigan and University of Toledo.

Rotations include: Proton Therapy, MR adaptive therapy, Gamma Knife, TSET/TBI

GLC Meetings

The GLC hosts three meetings a year. The 2022 Annual Meeting was held in person and was hosted by Henry Ford Health at the Brigitte Harris Cancer Pavilion in Detroit. The featured speaker was Dr. Neelam Tyagi from Memorial Sloan Kettering who presented on “MR-guided adaptive radiotherapy: current status, challenges and potential solutions”. An entertaining point counterpoint on the benefits of high field MR was presented by Anthony Doemer and Joshua Kim.

The MedPhys preliminary competition was held on March 23, 2023. The 1st place winner was Andrea Bisutti, a physics resident at Henry Ford Health, who will represent at the 2023 MedPhys Slam.

From the Archives

30 years ago, in 1993, the GLC-AAPM hosted presentations at the annual meeting highlighting MRI in diagnostic and radiotherapy applications. James Pipe, PhD (now Professor of Radiology at Mayo Clinic) and Randell Ten Haken, PhD (FAAAPM, 1997)

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