

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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The program for the 16th Annual FAPM Scientific Meeting on August 12-14, 2016, is now complete and can be [located on this website](#). The venue at the [Waldorf Astoria Hotel](#) should be of interest to all physicians dealing with patient's pain issues.

The opening day on Friday, August 12th will feature four preconference venues. The first is the "Musculoskeletal Ultrasound" workshop.

The second workshop will be on "Interdisciplinary Approach & Future of Pain Medicine" and will feature eight outstanding presenters on a variety of topics including, "New Issues on Why We Hurt and What to Do About It", "The Opioid Crisis: Can We Resolve It?", "Proper Opioid Management," and much more.

The third pre-conference workshop will be presented by the Florida Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation as planned by President Dr. Michael Creamer and Dr. Jessie Lipnick. Randall Braddom, MD, will discuss, "The Future of Pain Medicine". Anthony Dorto, MD, will present updates on "Disability and Workers Compensation Issues". These will be followed by seven additional timely topics.

The fourth is a new feature session on "Interventional Spinal Procedures". This workshop will teach the use of invasive techniques such as facet joint injections, nerve blocks, neuro augmentation, spinal fusion and implantable drug delivery systems.

On Sunday, August 14th there will be two special panel discussions. The first will be "Opioid Crisis Symposium," moderated by FAPM Past President Albert Ray. The second will be on the topic, "Legislative Updates Affecting the Practice of Pain Medicine" and will feature David Aronberg, State Attorney, Ralph Nobo, MD, FMA President, and Jeffrey Scott, FMA Lobbyist.

The overall conference program has been planned by Dr. Felix Linetsky, President of the American Academy of Regenerative Orthopedic Medicine and Secretary of the Florida Academy of Pain Medicine.

So as you can readily see, we have a great program planned in a beautiful hotel setting. I hope you will plan on [attending this exciting conference](#).

Fraternally,
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FAPM President