



## ACNP 63rd Annual Meeting, December 8-11, 2024



Registration for the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting will begin in June. We are looking forward to welcoming members and their guests to the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa in Phoenix, Arizona.

This year's annual meeting will be held in a hybrid meeting format allowing members and invited guests to attend in-person at the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa in Phoenix, Arizona or virtually on the ACNP Virtual Meeting Platform. The in-person option will include the classic ACNP Annual Meeting experience. **The plenaries, panels, mini-panels, and study groups will not be live streamed this year as they have been in past years but will be recorded with content posted within 48 hours after the session with the presenter's approval.** Virtual attendees will not be able to participate in the in-person poster sessions; however, the e-poster gallery will be available for the duration of the meeting.

The JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa is an award-winning, AAA 4-Diamond property. The hotel showcases an array of extraordinary amenities, including an on-site spa, championship golf at Wildfire Golf Club, seventeen pickleball courts, five pools and a lazy river. Stretch out in gracefully designed rooms and suites with luxury bedding, modern technology, and floor-to-ceiling windows, many feature views of the mountains, golf club, or resort pools. Invigorate your mind and body at Revive Spa, or play a round on one of the two immaculate golf courses, designed by Arnold Palmer and Nick Faldo. From American cuisine to Asian specialties and poolside cocktails, their dining options are sure to impress. Phoenix has a desert climate with temperatures in December ranging from an average high of 68°F to an average low of 44°F. [Click here](#) to learn more information about the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa and all the amenities it has to offer.

The Program Committee will meet on July 17, 2024 to determine the program for December. For those who submitted a proposal, decision letters will be sent by the end of July/early August.

Please contact the ACNP Executive Office at 615-324-2360 or [acnp@acnp.org](mailto:acnp@acnp.org) with any questions you may have regarding the meeting.

### **Registration and Hotel Reservations**

Registration for the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting will open in June. The 2024 registration process will again be a two-step process where members and guests will first register for the meeting and then make a hotel reservation using a link received in the registration confirmation email. Please register by October 17<sup>th</sup>; the early discounted registration rates increase by \$50 on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Member Registrations:**

To access the registration site, members must login to the ACNP website, <https://acnp.org/>, select “Annual Meeting” and select the link under registration information.

#### **Invited Guest Registrations:**

Guests will receive a link to the registration site in their invitation letter.

ACNP Members will request guest invitations or bank invitations through the online meeting portal in lieu of emailing the Executive Office. The online portal is open. To request your invitation, login to the [Annual Meeting Submission Site](#) and select ‘Submit ACNP Invitation Request.’

**NEW IN 2024: Member invited guest invitations will be limited to 400. Please review the requirements for the Diversity Invitation Bank and utilize the bank in lieu of your member invitation, when applicable.**

#### **What does this mean?**

- Members MUST attend the meeting to extend guest invitations.
- Member guest invitations will be capped at 400 requests. As a reminder, Members, Fellows, and Emeritus members have one invited guest invitation.
- Member guest invitations will be issued on a first come, first served basis. *\*Actual invitations will not be extended until registration officially opens in June.*
- During the 2023 Annual Meeting in Tampa, 413 member invited guest invitations were issued.
- Council has discussed annual meeting growth over the years and in the last strategic plan agreed that once the meeting hit 2,000 attendees, Council should develop ways to cap the attendance. This is to keep the ability to meet in one hotel and not have to move to convention centers with multiple hotels.

#### **Invitation Banks**

**General Invitation Bank:** This bank is fixed with 100 invitations that members may request to use for an early career researcher who is within 10 years of their last training or someone with a first-time R award or K award. Invitees from this bank may present a poster. Members may use one invitation from the bank.

**Diversity Invitation Bank:** This invitation bank allows members to offer additional meeting invitations to scientists from a historically excluded group. Members who request the invitation should vouch for the minority status of the scientist they are inviting. ACNP defines historically excluded groups as Blacks or African Americans, Hispanics or Latinos, American Indians or Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders, individuals who identify as LGBTQIA2S+, individuals with a disability, and individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds as [defined by the NIH](#).

*ACNP will make every effort to keep this information private; however, cannot guarantee this information would not be unintentionally released within the College through the course of inclusion efforts.*

## **Hotel Reservations:**

All hotel reservations must be completed via online link directly with the hotel. To reserve your hotel room, use the links contained in your registration confirmation email. Attendees are required to be registered prior to making a reservation in the ACNP block of rooms. All reservations must be made online. The hotel will not accept call-in reservations.

The final day for hotel reservation acceptance at ACNP's discounted rates will be Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 5:00 PM Mountain Standard Time; however, rooms at these rates are limited and may sell out before the deadline. Please be sure to secure your hotel room early to ensure availability.

## **Annual Meeting Preliminary Schedule:**

The [preliminary schedule](#) is available to access the agenda for the Annual Meeting. **Reminder:** There will be no printed Program Book at the ACNP 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting.

## **Annual Meeting Frequently Asked Questions:**

Please visit the [ACNP Website](#) to read the frequently asked questions regarding the annual meeting.

## **Travel for the Annual Meeting**

ACNP has partnered with Direct Travel, Inc. for airline reservations. Please contact Direct Travel at 615-327-2720, toll-free 800-229-3344, Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Central.

## **Policy Reminders**

Council recognizes that many people who attend our meeting find it a convenient place to network and to connect with colleagues from other academic, government, or industrial organizations. This informal networking has historically been an important aspect of the meeting that many of our members believe has helped further scientific progress. However, organizing competing activities (e.g., satellite sessions, scientific board meetings, or social functions) that take attendees away from the meeting site detracts from other important goals of the meeting, such as fostering an atmosphere that encourages both formal and informal scientific discourse throughout the week and providing opportunities for travel awardees, trainees, and other young scientists to interact with leaders in the field. Therefore, Council asks that you refrain from organizing activities that take our members and meeting attendees away from the meeting site.

Many of our supporting corporations and academic institutions are large organizations with many people involved in planning meetings, and we realize that sometimes people organize meetings in conflict with this policy simply because they are not aware of it. If you are invited to attend any such functions, please help us by reminding the person issuing the invitation that this would be a violation of ACNP policy.

Additionally, the ACNP name, logo, or the name of the Annual Meeting should not be used in association with any CME activity without the approval of the College. To seek permission to use the name of the College, please contact the Executive Office ([acnp@acnp.org](mailto:acnp@acnp.org)), who will have your request reviewed by the appropriate committee and/or Council. If someone asks you to write a report of sessions you attend at the meeting, please let them know that publishing such a report would be a violation of this policy.

## **Photographing, Screenshots, and Recording During the Annual Meeting:**

Photographing, screenshots, or recording material presented in a panel, mini-panel, study group or poster session is not allowed. Photographing or screenshotting a speaker before, during, or after a session is not allowed. Unauthorized photography or recording is unfair to the presenters and will have the effect of discouraging our members from presenting their most recent unpublished work.

## **Acceptable use of Social Media:**

ACNP encourages the use of social media such as X, Facebook, Instagram, Google+ and blogging sites to engage our community in the Annual Meeting. We encourage you to post or tweet highlights about the

meeting, discuss your favorite speakers, panels and posters and offer recommendations on which panels and posters to attend.

When sharing information, we request you refrain from -

- Photographing, screenshots, or recording the material presented in panel, mini-panel, study group or poster session. This is unfair to the presenter and will have the effect of discouraging our members from presenting their most recent unpublished work.
- Using social media to share detailed content of lectures, posters etc., especially when the organizer or speaker has explicitly requested that some or all of the information presented is not to be captured or shared.
- Photographing or screenshotting speakers before, during, or after a session.

#### **Small Meetings:**

If you would like to host a small meeting during the ACNP Annual Meeting, you must request approval by completing an [Event Request Form](#) and submitting to the Executive Office for approval. Please contact ACNP, [acnp@acnp.org](mailto:acnp@acnp.org), with questions.

#### **Code of Conduct:**

The American College of Neuropsychopharmacology is dedicated to providing a safe and productive experience for all participants and attendees at all official ACNP events regardless of sex, race, color, national origin, religion, age, physical or mental disability, perceived disability, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other basis protected by federal or pertinent state laws. ACNP does not tolerate discrimination or any form of prohibited harassment and is committed to enforcing this Code of Conduct (the "Code") at its Annual Meeting or at any other ACNP event. Please click here for the full [Code of Conduct](#).

*The College and JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort and Spa welcomes all individuals from all different races, backgrounds, genders, and ethnicities at the 2024 ACNP Annual Meeting.*

