

ACNP 65th Annual Meeting, January 10-13, 2027



Registration for the 65th Annual Meeting will begin in June. We are looking forward to welcoming members and their guests to the Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego in San Diego, California.

The Annual Meeting will be presented live in-person. ACNP will also offer a registration option for members and invited attendees who cannot attend the annual meeting in-person, which will allow them to access the recorded sessions post conference. The e-poster gallery will be available for the duration of the meeting.

Explore Southern California's vibrant culture and natural beauty from the waterfront hotel in downtown San Diego. Unwind in spacious hotel rooms and family suites featuring stunning views and appointed with upscale amenities. Located steps from the city's top attractions, like Petco Park, guests enjoy easy access to all things San Diego, including the region's best beaches, the local restaurant scene, Seaport Village, and various entertainment venues.

Temperatures in January average in the mid 60's to low 50's. Click here to learn more information about the Manchester Grand Hyatt San Deigo.

The Program Committee will meet on July 22, 2026 to determine the program for January. For those who submitted a proposal, decision letters will be sent by the end of August.

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

Registration and Hotel Reservations

Registration for the 65th Annual Meeting will open in mid-June. The January 2027 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 November 19th; the early discounted registration rates increase by $50 on November 20th.

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, Fellows, and Emeritus 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.' *The option for members to invite a guest will not be available in the registration system.*

Changes to the Annual Meeting Invitation Policies

The following updates reflect our commitment to keeping the ACNP Annual Meeting at a capacity that allows for exchange of ideas in a collaborative format. These changes are designed to strategically manage meeting size while expanding access for researchers in alignment with our mission of encouraging new talent.

- **Invited Guest Definition**
  All invited guests must meet one of the following criteria with respect to career stage at the time of invitation request:
  - At least a 2nd year post-doctoral fellow (both MDs and PhDs) or 3rd or 4th year residents on a research track
  - Faculty at an Instructor level (or similar) or above
  - Scientists in Federal government positions (e.g., NIH, NSF, FDA, ARPA-H, VA, DoD) considered to be equivalent to either criteria #1 or criteria #2
  - If industry, demonstrate a level of leadership and/or responsibility

  Attestation of meeting one of these criteria is required at the time of requested invitation. Documentation may also be required.

- **Trainee Definition**
  - A trainee is a person in their 2nd year post-doctoral fellowship (both MDs and PhDs) or 3rd or 4th year residents on a research track at the time the invitation is requested.
  - Trainees have all the rights and privileges of invited guests.
  - Attestation of meeting the criteria is required at the time of requested invitation. Documentation may also be required.

- **General Invitation Bank** (formerly the Early-Career Researcher Invitation Bank)
  - All General Invitation Bank guests must meet the Invited Guest definition. Attestation of meeting the criteria is required at the time of requested invitation. Documentation may also be required.
  - Limited to **50** invitations
  - Members, Fellows, and Emeritus members may use **one** invitation from this bank until it reaches the cap of 50.

- **Special Invitation Bank**
    - All Special Invitation Bank guests must meet the Invited Guest definition AND two or more of the following criteria:
        - Were or currently are homeless
        - Were or currently are in the foster care system
        - Were eligible for the Federal Free and Reduced Lunch Program for two or more years
        - Have/had no parents or legal guardians who completed a bachelor's degree
        - Were or currently are eligible for Federal Pell grants
        - Received support from the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) as a parent or child
        - Grew up in a rural area or in a low-income country
        - Have/had significant social or physical challenges
        - *International Scientists Only* Were considered from a disadvantaged background from your country (if from or currently reside outside the U.S.)
    - Limited to **150** invitations
    - Members, Fellows, and Emeritus members may use **two** invitations from this bank until it reaches the cap of 150.
    - Members requesting the invitation will need to verify that the scientist is eligible per meeting two or more of the criteria above AND the invited guest career stage requirements.

ACNP will make every effort to keep this information private but cannot guarantee this information would not be unintentionally released within the College.

REMINDER FOR JANUARY 2027 ANNUAL MEETING: Member invited guest invitations will be limited to **400**. Please review the requirements for the Special 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. Once the cap is met, member invitation requests will be closed.
- 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.*
- In 2025, member invited guest invitations reached the cap of 400 in late August for the January 2026 Annual Meeting in Nassau. In 2024, member invited guest invitations reached the cap of 400 in late September for the 2024 Annual Meeting in Phoenix. *Please request your guest invitation early and utilize the invitation banks when applicable.*

Reminders

- Only members attending the meeting may request invitations.
- Scientific guests must be 21 years of age or older to attend the meeting in person.
- Associate Members do not have invited guest privileges. Associate Members are encouraged to invite their peers and other leading scientists on proposals for panels, mini-panels, and study groups.
- Associate Members must register for the Annual Meeting by September 22, 2026 to attend.
- The General Invitation Bank has a cap of 50 invitations. Once the cap has been reached, this bank will close.
- The Special Invitation Bank has a cap of 150 invitations. Once the cap has been reached, this bank will close.
- Attendees, including invited guests, must be registered for the conference prior to submitting a poster abstract.
- The poster submission deadline is August 27th. **Invitation requests must be submitted by August 24th in order to ensure your guest has ample time to register and submit a poster prior to the poster deadline.**

Annual Meeting Frequently Asked Questions:
Please visit the ACNP Website to read the frequently asked questions regarding the annual meeting.

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 final day for hotel reservation acceptance at ACNP's discounted rates will be Thursday, December 17, 2026 at 5:00 PM Pacific 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 65th 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 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), 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, Bluesky, 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, 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 Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego welcomes all individuals from all different races, backgrounds, genders, and ethnicities at the 2027 ACNP Annual Meeting.