

# ACNP 64th Annual Meeting, January 12-15, 2026



Registration for the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting will begin in mid-late June. We are looking forward to welcoming members and their guests to the Atlantis Paradise Island Resort on Paradise Island in the Bahamas. Attendees will fly into Nassau, Bahamas.

This year's annual meeting will be held in a hybrid meeting format allowing members and invited guests to attend in-person at the Atlantis Paradise Island Resort or virtually on the ACNP Virtual Meeting Platform. The in-person option will include the classic ACNP Annual Meeting experience. The plenaries, panels, minipanels, 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.

Surrounded by the bluest ocean and five miles of private white-sandy beaches, Atlantis Paradise Island invites you to experience an unrivaled array of unforgettable water and marine adventures, exciting activities, world-class dining, and so much more.

The resort is built around Aquaventure, an innovative, 141-acre waterscape of thrilling slides and river rides, pools, and white sand beaches. Home to the largest open-air marine habitat in the world, over 50,000 marine animals from 250 species make their home in the ocean fed environments. From unparalleled meeting and convention space to the luxury Atlantis Marina accommodating yachts up to 220 feet in length overlooking Marina Village, a Bahamian marketplace, the Atlantis experiences are endless.

Other resort amenities include the 30,000sf tranquil Mandara Spa, Atlantis Kids Adventures (AKA) for children ages 3-12 and CRUSH, an innovative teen club. The resort's award-winning 18-hole Tom Weiskopf designed golf course, renowned Atlantis Casino and duty-free shopping are complemented by the property's 40 restaurants and lounges with celebrity chef culinary masterpieces including Nobu, by Nobu Matsuhisa; Olives, by Todd English and Fish, by José Andrés.

Temperatures in January average in the high 70s and low 80s. <u>Click here</u> to learn more information about the Atlantis Paradise Island Resort and all the amenities it has to offer.

The Program Committee will meet on August 5, 2025 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 <a href="mailto:acnp@acnp.org">acnp@acnp.org</a> with any questions you may have regarding the meeting.

# **Important Travel Information**

Be advised that a passport valid for at least 6-months after your return date is required for all attendees to travel to the Bahamas. Renewing or getting a new passport in the US can take up to 8 weeks. Please check the expiration date of your passport and plan accordingly.

We understand there are growing concerns regarding traveling abroad, especially for non-US citizens residing in the US. We encourage all attendees to research the requirements that apply to their citizenship status when traveling abroad and for all attendees to travel with a copy of their registration confirmation as well as an invitation letter (if applicable for non-US Citizens) with any other required immigration documents. Please consult the <a href="Bahamas Immigration Website">Bahamas Immigration Website</a> for entry requirements and the <a href="USA.gov">USA.gov</a> site for re-entry requirements.

# **Registration and Hotel Reservations**

Registration for the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting will open in mid-late June. The January 2026 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 18<sup>th</sup>; the early discounted registration rates increase by \$50 on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

# **Member Registrations:**

To access the registration site, members must login to the ACNP website, <a href="https://acnp.org/">https://acnp.org/</a>, 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 <u>Annual Meeting Submission Site</u> and select 'Submit ACNP Invitation Request.'

Again this year, Member invited guest invitations will be limited to 400. Please review the requirements for the Invitation Bank for Scientists from Disadvantaged Backgrounds 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.
- In 2023, 413 member invited guest invitations were extended for the 2023 Annual Meeting in Tampa. 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.
- Council has discussed annual meeting growth over the years and in the strategic plans 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.

**Invitation Bank for Scientists from Disadvantaged Backgrounds:** ACNP offers an unlimited number of invitations, accessible only by members, for scientists from disadvantaged backgrounds. Members who request the invitation will need to verify that the scientist is considered from a disadvantaged background per the criteria below:

ACNP defines an individual to be considered from a disadvantaged background if they meet 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- or middle-income country
- Have/had significant social or physical challenges
- \*International Scientists Only\* Were considered from a disadvantaged background from your country (if reside outside the U.S.)

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

#### **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. It is important to note that although the Royal Tower, Coral Tower, The Reef Tower, and the Cove Tower are all located on the main property, each hotel does have a separate hotel lobby and check-in area. All ACNP run of house rooms are located in the Coral and Royal Towers which are attached to the convention center. The convention center is located closest to the Coral Hotel Tower.

The final day for hotel reservation acceptance at ACNP's discounted rates will be Friday, December 19, 2025 at 5:00 PM Eastern 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 <u>preliminary schedule</u> is available to access the agenda for the Annual Meeting. **Reminder:** There will be no printed Program Book at the ACNP 64<sup>th</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 (<a href="mailto:acnp@acnp.org">acnp.org</a>), 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 <u>Event Request Form</u> and submitting to the Executive Office for approval. Please contact ACNP, <u>acnp@acnp.org</u>, 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 Atlantis Paradise Island Resort welcomes all individuals from all different races, backgrounds, genders, and ethnicities at the January 2026 ACNP Annual Meeting.