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## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Heather Owen, MD, FACEP  
President

**It is all about Connections** Hello Texas EM Physicians! Is it possible that we have almost come full circle so quickly? It seems like just yesterday I was writing my first submission as President and today, I work on my last. It has been a quick, exciting year. There are two big topics to address today: Texas Legislative Session and TCEP Connect17...

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## Government Relations Committee



### REPORT

*Diana Fite, MD, FACEP  
Chair, Government  
Relations Committee*

Welcome to our new lobbyist, Mr. Michael Grimes. He has had quite a few years of experience, including with emergency medicine issues. He is the lobbyist for the Texas Emergency Medicine Practice Alliance (TEMPA), for instance. He has worked closely in the past with the Texas Medical Association (TMA) doing contract work. In lieu of my usual committee report, we have asked Mr. Grimes to please prepare some information for us during this important time in the Texas legislative session...

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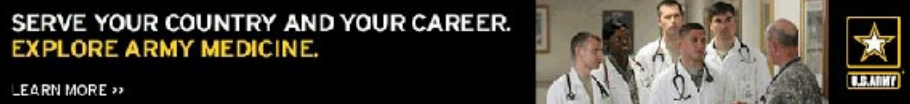
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## Connect 17 Conference Update

### ARTICLE

Welcome to Texas College of Emergency Physicians' (TCEP) Connect 2017 Conference! TCEP is proud to bring emergency physicians from across the state of Texas to Grapevine at the world-renowned Gaylord Texan Resort and Convention Center where you can stay, play and learn. You will not want to miss this truly dynamic lineup of speakers this year, featuring such world-renowned colleagues Kevin Klauer, Sudip Bose and many more...

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## Leadership & Advocacy Conference Attendees

### REPORT

The 2017 Leadership & Advocacy Conference (LAC) will celebrate emergency medicine's accomplishments and continue to work for a better political environment for our specialty and our patients. The LAC continues to get bigger and better and each year we send a stronger message to the United States Congress. We'll train first-timers to educate your Members of Congress while seasoned participants will build upon your already-valuable Congressional connections.

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## Calendar of Events

### 2017

March 12-15	ACEP LAC	Washington, DC
March 30 - April 2	TCEP Connect 2017	Grapevine, TX
April 2	TCEP Board of Directors Meeting	Grapevine, TX
April 4	First Tuesday at the Capitol	Austin, TX
April 21	ABCD Simulation Lab	Fort Worth, TX
April 25 - 28	EDPMA	San Diego, CA
May 2	First Tuesday at the Capitol	Austin, TX
May 5-6	TexMed 2017 Marriott Marquis/ Brown Convention Center	Houston, TX
May 16-19	SAEM Conference	Orlando, FL
June 10-14	AMA House of Delegates Annual Meeting – Hyatt Regency	Chicago, IL
September 15-16	TMA Fall Conference, Hyatt Lost Pines	Bastrop, TX
October 30-November 2	ACEP 17	Washington, DC



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