Sharing the e-mail blast sent to New York ACEP members until to attend the virtual event in June. -JoAnne

**Subject:** New York ACEP - We Missed You by the Fire This Year at the Sagamore

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New York ACEP

**Storytelling: COVID-19**

Under normal circumstances we would be gathering by the fire tonight at New York ACEP’s Scientific Assembly for stories to be told and shared that relate to the stresses, triumphs and connections encountered over the last several months related to COVID-19.

In June, New York ACEP hosted a live storytelling (Airway) event. This storytelling initiative for emergency physicians marks the profound moments that make emergency physicians’ jobs powerful.
Our Family’s Tragedy: Dr. Lorna Breen Is the Canary in the Coal Mine | U.S. News Hospital Heroes | US News

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Anyway to reshape this article under our wellness section? I should have the LIFE Emotional Support Team up and running by the release of the article so we can have write up about wellness which I will write and introduce the Emotional Support Team and subsequent Podcast Series to to provide further wellness support.

Let me know your thoughts!

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this might be a better discussion for your committee... and remember that ACEP is working on national legislation regarding suicide prevention...

Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act Introduced In Senate

Take Action to Urge Congressional Support for Mental Health Resources and Protections for Emergency Physicians

On July 29, the "Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act" (S. 4349) was introduced by Senators Tim Kaine (D-VA), Jack Reed (D-RI), Todd Young (R-IN), and Bill Cassidy, MD (R-LA). ACEP worked closely with the sponsors of this legislation that will take major steps to reduce and prevent suicide and burnout, and alleviate other mental health concerns that have only been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. The legislation is named for Dr. Lorna Breen, an emergency physician and ACEP member who died by suicide earlier this year.

Similar to the ACEP-supported "Coronavirus Health Care Worker Wellness Act" (H.R. 7255) introduced by Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL), the legislation provides grants to establish or expand mental health support services and resources for health care professionals responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, and initiates a comprehensive federal study into health care professional mental health and burnout, particularly in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. The bill also creates mental health and well-being training programs throughout the medical training and education process and establishes a national campaign to encourage health care professionals to seek support and treatment.

To read ACEP’s letter of support, click here.

Emergency physicians’ mental health, especially during the ongoing pandemic, remains one of ACEP’s top priorities for the next COVID-19 legislative package. ACEP continues working with the sponsors of both the House and Senate bills to ensure these critical provisions are included in future legislation.

Congress needs to hear directly from emergency physicians around the country how important this legislation to frontline health care professionals managing the COVID-19 pandemic.

Click here to send personalized emails to your members of Congress.

Please act today as there is a small window of time to take action as negotiations are underway for the next and possibly final COVID-19 relief package.