



COLLEGE of AMERICAN
PATHOLOGISTS
Member Resources

See your path forward
with CAP membership





“Our member experts have vetted what's relevant and truly important to help you elevate your practice. As an impassioned community of pathologists, we constantly research new ways to keep you up to date in this fast-changing health care landscape.”

**R. Bruce Williams MD, FCAP
CAP President**

Creating the path to our future together

Pathologists are the physicians who bring certainty during uncertain times. For many patients, a diagnosis is a pivot point in their lives after which an effective treatment and healing can begin. As we support our patients in their most critical moments, new capabilities are emerging; and we must adapt quickly to support further promises of hope.

Meanwhile, our elected leaders are deciding the future direction of health care. As we fight for our patients, the CAP fights for you.

As a CAP member, you are connected to the expertise and experience of the largest network of board-certified pathologists committed to meet these changing needs through innovation to improve the lives of others.

“All the gains in pathology and in medicine didn't come because of the work of one, but because of what many have done together—the CAP is at the forefront.”

Juanita J. Evans, MD, FCAP



Earning trust

Healing starts with an accurate diagnosis. Your patients and clinician partners need to trust the information you provide them. And you earn their trust through precision, accuracy, and a constant commitment to quality.

Pathologists who engage with the CAP are passionate about translating science into medicine, and they create the protocols, checklists, and evidence-based guidelines all pathologists rely on to keep people safe.

CAP membership gives you these necessary tools to foster trust.

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Evidence-based guidelines providing expert guidance on the most relevant diagnostic and prognostic information available

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Discipline-specific checklists ensuring quality practices in 7,964 laboratories

65

Cancer protocols guiding how pathologists stage cancer and impact treatment for patients

650+

Proficiency testing programs delivering accuracy through gained knowledge by 23,197 laboratory sites

129,896

Hours of commitment to quality improvement provided by the CAP's inspection teams

300,000+

Laboratory professionals and pathologists participating yearly in CAP education programs



Protecting your future

Navigating payment models as they move from volume to value can be challenging. Patients deserve the best care possible, and you need to be recognized for the tremendous value you bring to care. We're fighting to make sure patients and pathologists win; some advocacy efforts include:

- **Increased overall professional Medicare reimbursement** for pathologists in 2017 by \$4.5 million in payments
- **Extended the life of the CAP-developed quality measures**, allowing pathologists to receive credit under the Physician Quality Reporting System and the new Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) program

- **Leveled the playing field** by lobbying with the CMS for a classification of non-patient facing distinction for pathologists, allowing flexibility for complying with the new CMS Quality Payment Program
- **Ensured informed and transparent Medicare coverage decisions** by working with lawmakers to introduce legislation to improve transparency and accountability
- **Promoted a favorable regulatory environment** for patients, laboratories, and pathologists by ensuring regulations do not place undue burden on the profession

- **Delivered key recommendations** to the CMS leading to more favorable PAMA rules for laboratory compliance

Getting paid fairly for the value your practice provides is essential. That's why we created the Pathologists Quality Registry.

The CAP's Pathologists Quality Registry offers access to the most pathology-specific quality measures easing compliance with MIPS quality reporting and strengthens your opportunity for payment bonuses.



Elevating your practice

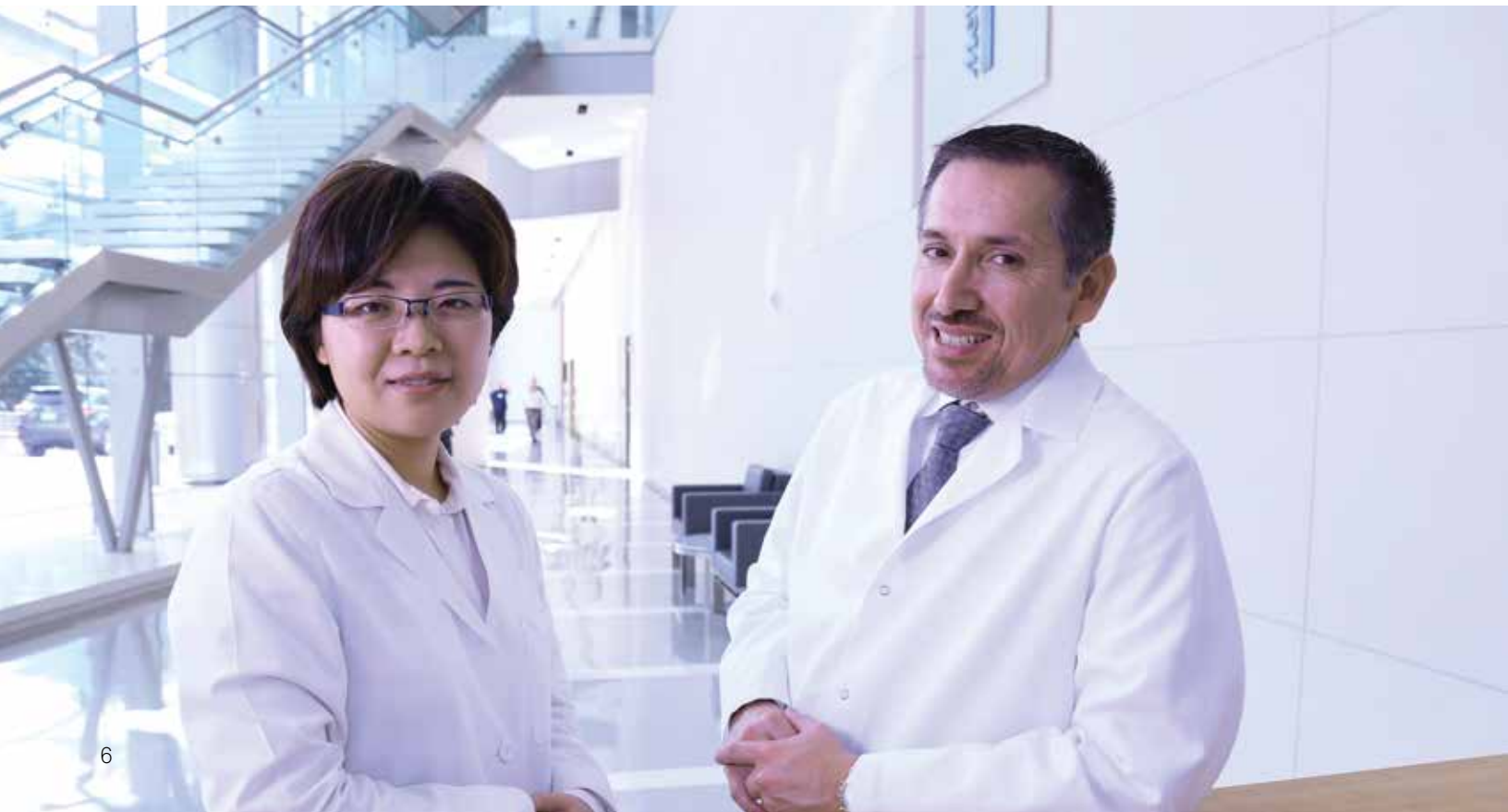
The transition from traditional fee-for-service to a value-based payment system is reshaping the way pathology practices have traditionally done business. Navigate the complexities of managing your practice to influence patient care at higher levels using the CAP's:

- **Practice management resources**—Strengthen your practice performance with pathology-specific, robust business management tools.

- **Individual practice assessments**—Map your practice's path to success with personalized guidance from the experts.
- **Practice Characteristics Survey**—Achieve your best by benchmarking your practice against your peers.

“Working with the CAP, we improved our billing system, reducing turnaround time to 48 hours or less after sign-out for resolving reoccurring unbilled claims. We also instituted a solution to prevent unpaid Medicare claims. The expertise they shared was invaluable.”

Practice management participant



Staying current

Staying at the forefront of diagnostic medicine is critical in your work to improve people's health. But innovation outpaces the ability for any individual to manage and implement effectively in the clinical setting.

We understand your needs because we all work in the field of pathology every day.

Our CME and SAM courses are developed by pathologists for pathologists. Rely on the expertise of your peers to help you stay up to date, learn new skills, maintain your certification, and manage your practice.

“We need to know how to make the correct diagnosis, what molecular testing should be ordered, and how treatment will be affected. The CAP is by far the best place to get the most up-to-date and accessible information to ensure we do what's best for our patients.”

Nicole D. Riddle, MD, FCAP

Connect with peers

Expand your network and meet pathologists from around the world at the CAP's annual meetings. Cultivate these connections throughout the year with CAPconnect—the CAP's members-only online community or by participating on a council or committee.

549	live and online education courses with 189 offering SAM credit
58,000	CME activities completed annually
90%	educational courses rated 4.2 or greater on a 5-point scale in overall value
35+	scientific committees , comprising more than 400 experts meeting regularly to pioneer new learning opportunities
14,000	pathologists receive the peer-reviewed journal, <i>Archives of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine</i> , and the monthly trade publication, <i>CAP TODAY</i>

Membership pays for itself

An investment in CAP membership is an investment in your future—one that will pay dividends for you and your practice for years to come.

You will save thousands of dollars as you use the CAP's most popular member benefits.



*The above representation is not inclusive of all member benefits and is intended to show a fair representation of savings for one individual based on 2017 CAP offerings. Benefit usage will vary by individual. To learn more about our extensive list of member benefits, visit cap.org.



“As a member of the CAP, I've been connected to some of the most dedicated and experienced pathologists willing to support my career. By participating in online discussions, attending live courses, and performing inspections, I've had numerous opportunities to grow as a pathologist.”

Meredith A. Reyes, MD, FCAP

CAP membership benefits at a glance

Together with your peers, you can continuously **elevate your practice, stay current and relevant**, and **protect your future** as a member of the College of American Pathologists.

Advocacy	
Pathologists Quality Registry	Simplify MIPS reporting to get paid fairly as well as to qualify for payment bonuses
STATLINE	Receive our biweekly federal and state advocacy newsletter
PathNET	Join the CAP's grassroots advocacy network where CAP members can connect with their elected officials
CAP Policy Meeting	Learn how to make an impact on the regulations moving through Congress and how to prepare for new regulations impacting pathology
Education	
CAP annual meeting	Save more than 30% on registration fees for our annual meetings
Learning programs	Further your education and save 30% on our programs
Learning Dashboard	Track your education and progress towards Maintenance of Certification
Community Engagement	
Leadership and service opportunities	Expand your skill set and your pathology network by participating on councils, committees, House of Delegates and Residents Forum
Engaged Leadership Academy	Gain the confidence needed to be front and center in your practice with the expertise of communications professionals and fellow pathologists
CAPconnect	Join your colleagues in sharing your knowledge on our members-only online community
Online member directory	Find your colleagues using the online directory
Awards	Recognize a colleague for his/her outstanding achievements and accomplishments in pathology
Expertise	
Pathology resource guides	Stay ahead of the curve on the latest technologies with our members-only digital subscription
CAP Press publications	Save up to 25% on CAP Press publications
<i>Archives of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine</i>	Stay abreast on a broad range of topics with our international, peer-reviewed monthly journal
<i>CAP TODAY</i>	Get the latest on advances in tests and equipment, trends in management/clinical operations and finance
Test Ordering Program	Ensure the right patient is getting the right test at the right time from easy-to-use training modules and tools addressing the most commonly misapplied clinical tests
Practice Management	
Practice Management Fundamentals	Enhance your skills and confidence with this two-day workshop
Practice Characteristics Survey Report	Access data on pathologists and their practices in this report
Value-based Business Toolkits	Create practice efficiencies and determine the value of your practice with business tools specific to pathology
Pathlab coding solutions	Receive a 30% discount on answers to your current procedural testing (CPT) coding questions
Career Advancement	
Career Center	Manage your career development or hire a new colleague
Abstract Program	Highlight your capabilities when presenting original research to peers during the CAP's annual meeting
New in practice insights	Transition smoothly from residency into practice with key lessons from CAP members who have done it

Take the first step on your
path to a brighter future.

Join the largest network of board-certified
pathologists and connect with the CAP today!

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