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## 1. THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE SPECIALTY OF PATHOLOGY

The term *Transformation* refers to the collective efforts underway at the College of American Pathologists (CAP) and across the specialty to affirm and increase pathologists' value to patients and other health care stakeholders and to secure pathologists' future as leaders in 21<sup>st</sup> century medicine.

The CAP has completed the Case-for-Change, the first phase of the multiyear Transformation initiative and is moving forward with delivering the CAP's strategy to demonstrate the value that pathologists bring to patients, other clinicians, and hospital administrators. The three-pronged strategy has been designed to help pathologists take control of their professional and economic destinies, reshaping the role of pathology and laboratory services.

The strategy has three elements:

1. Make pathologists known
2. Ensure pathologists can deliver
3. Enable pathology's sustainable advantage

Through the transformation initiatives, the CAP will enable pathologists to change fundamental aspects of how and what they practice in the future, strengthening the distinctive contributions pathologist can make to patients and health care colleagues. To learn more, visit the transformation website, [cap.org/transformation](http://cap.org/transformation).

A wide variety of services and programs are currently in development to support the needs of pathologists in their changing roles, including practice guideline development, advocacy and education programs, and diagnostic/practice management tools. Below are some of the key initiatives, supporting the transformation of the specialty.

- **Promising Practice Pathways™**

The CAP commissioned G2 to support a focused analysis of emerging pathology practice models. The purpose of this initiative is to define scenarios for the future of the specialty that will allow pathologists to adapt their business models to the changes that are already happening within diagnostic care and to ensure that they embrace and understand the dynamics associated with the likely elimination of the 'Fee-For-Service' model that has been the cornerstone of the pathology business model to date.

This focused analysis has resulted into a report known as the "Promising Practice Pathways." The pathways are, "value-generating service models" that can be adopted, as an "adjunct" basis at first, and then more fully implemented over time.

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The new pathologist-driven pathways add clinical value outside of the laboratory by improving downstream clinical quality and outcomes, and generating downstream clinical cost savings. They span a broad range of clinical conditions and procedures, with some of the highest-value opportunities in oncology and infectious disease.

**The four pathways are:**

1. High Performance Diagnostic Services
2. High Performance Pathology for High Value Oncology
3. Coordinated Population Care Services, and
4. Patient Diagnostic Services Centers

Additional information about the Promising Practice Pathways is available at [yourpathyourchoice.org](http://yourpathyourchoice.org).

- **The CAP Pathology & Laboratory Quality Center (The Center)**

The Center is a forum for developing evidence-based guidelines related to practice of pathology. The Center ensures quality in diagnostic medicine, its linkage to patient outcomes, and demonstrates the role of the pathologist in improving quality and contributing to patient care.

The CAP develops Center guidelines and consensus recommendations in partnership with many organizations, including the American Society for Clinical Oncology (ASCO), the American Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology (ASCCP), the Association for Molecular Pathology (AMP), and others.

The Center published the following recommendations in 2012:

- **CAP/ASCCP: The Lower Anogenital Squamous Terminology (LAST) Standardization Project for HPV-Associated Lesions: Background and Consensus Recommendations**
- **CAP/ADASP Consensus Statements on Effective Communication of Urgent Diagnoses and Significant Unexpected Diagnoses in Surgical Pathology and Cytopathology**  
*Collaboration with the Association of Directors of Anatomic and Surgical Pathology (ADASP)*

Look for the following guidelines in 2013:

- **Validating Whole Slide Imaging Systems for Diagnostic Purposes in Digital Pathology**  
**Summary:** To develop principles to assist pathologists in properly validating digital imaging systems.
- **CAP/IASLC/AMP Molecular Testing Guidelines for Selection of Lung Cancer Patients for EGFR and ALK Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors**  
**Summary:** To determine proper test selection and techniques for non-small cell lung cancer biomarker tests as related to appropriate therapies for lung cancer patients. This project is a joint collaboration with the International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer (IASLC) and the Association for Molecular Pathology (AMP).

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- **ASCO/CAP Guideline Recommendations for HER2 Testing in Breast Cancer – Update to 2007 Edition**  
**Summary:** New evidence will inform on revised recommendations to the 2007 guidelines.

Other guidelines in development include:

- **Immunohistochemistry (IHC) Assay Analytic Validation Principles**  
**Summary:** To address the procedures that laboratories should perform to analytically validate IHC tests prior to implementation.
- **CAP/ASH Algorithm for Initial Work-up of Acute Leukemia**  
**Summary:** To define the recommended testing for proper diagnosis and prognosis determination. This project is a joint collaboration with the American Society of Hematology (ASH).
- **ASCP/CAP/AMP/ASCO Molecular Markers for the Evaluation of Colorectal Cancer**  
**Summary:** To primarily address laboratory test performance, but also include clinical applications, international aspects, genetics community, and public health perspective. This project is a joint collaboration with American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) and Association of Molecular Pathology (AMP).
- **CAP/ADASP Interpretive Diagnostic Error Reduction in Surgical Pathology and Cytopathology**  
**Summary:** To address interpretive diagnostic errors with an intent to improve accuracy resulting in better patient care.
- **Bone Marrow Synoptic Reporting**  
**Summary:** To address the highly variable reporting methodologies to provide clear, appropriate reporting for patient safety, treatment, and prognosis.
- **CAP/NSH Uniform Labeling Requirements for Blocks and Slides in Surgical Pathology**  
**Summary:** To address the non-systematic methods of labeling slides in order to reduce errors.
- **HER2 Testing Guidelines for Gastric Cancer**  
**Summary:** To inform pathologists about the key differences in scoring methodologies between breast and gastric cancer HER2 testing, thereby equipping pathologists to take the lead on ensuring appropriate therapy.
- **Detection of HPV in Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinomas**  
**Summary:** To provide guidelines for accurate HPV testing in these body sites.
- **CAP Policy Roundtable**  
The CAP Policy Roundtable (PRT) is charged with increasing the visibility of the CAP in the public policy arena and elevating the CAP's role in the development of public policies that will shape the future of pathology. The PRT develops an agenda for public policy research and public policy positions that support the practice of pathology; conducts policy research that supports the CAP's mission and fills gaps in its policy portfolio; and develops white papers and publications as it identifies and develops relevant policy issues.

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One of the first projects of the CAP PRT was the release of a white paper entitled, “Contributions of Pathologists in Accountable Care Organizations: A Case Study,” at the CAP Policy Meeting in May 2012. The white paper provides insights into three successful, established ACOs where pathologists have helped ensure the success of the ACO. The white paper is available at [cap.org/advocacy](http://cap.org/advocacy).

In 2013, the PRT will continue to explore the role of pathologists in accountable care organizations, and will also conduct research on value-based pricing of diagnostics and on GME funding for pathology.

- **Engaged Leaders Academy**

In December, CAP brought 39 pathologists from around the country to Chicago for the inaugural Engaged Leadership Academy. This intensive two and a half day training program focused on enhancing the ability of pathologists to communicate their value to multiple audiences including clinicians, patients, hospital administrators, regulators and legislators.

As the structure of health care delivery changes from a volume-based reimbursement model to a value based model, pathologists are going to need the skills to demonstrate and articulate their value in order to be active members and leaders in the decision-making process.

The first part of the training focused on those skills needed to be effective communicators. The second part of the training focused on the changing environment of pathology and the opportunities that those changes are creating (for example, the Promising Practice Pathways.) The third part of the training was focused on how to be leaders in their communities and with their fellow pathologists in articulating the need for change and for the need to have a seat at the table as the decisions are made on how to function in the new health care delivery environment.

All of the participants have made a commitment to be engaged leaders, to speak about the need for change, and to seek out opportunities to articulate and demonstrate the irreplaceable and unique value that pathologists bring to health care.

## 2. CAP LEARNING

The CAP is the leading resource for information and education in the practice and science of pathology and laboratory medicine. Leading experts develop education activities focused on all six Maintenance of Certification competency categories, including emerging scientific and technical knowledge and laboratory and practice management. The curriculum of more than 300 courses offers pathologists and laboratory professionals with practical tools and resources to:

- Continually improve their scientific and practice skills
- Meet licensure and re-certification requirements
- Prepare for new and enhanced roles

The CAP Learning Portal is a comprehensive tool for continuing education. A central feature of the Learning Portal—the Personal Progress Check—allows pathologists to compare their current level of expertise against a range of competencies. Pathologists can develop a highly personalized Learning Plan to address identified areas for improvement, then search a list of more than 700 Learning Options and quickly locate specific resources to address their educational needs.

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Many of the resources on the Learning Portal are offered by organizations other than CAP, including a growing list of cooperating societies who contribute their considerable expertise. Since its launch, the Learning Portal has seen rapid adoption with more than 30,000 unique users, comprising pathologists, as well as laboratorians from across the globe.

## **APC/CAP Collaboration**

In September 2012, the CAP and the Association of Pathology Chairs (APC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which formalizes the organizations' intentions to work together in addressing revolutionary changes in health science and the economy. We have initiated plans to develop programs to encourage better alignment between undergraduate, graduate and continuing education initiatives and competency requirements. These interactions and joint initiatives will foster communication and allow us to be more responsive to critical professional needs, including those of academic and community-based practices. Leveraging combined resources, we can better advocate on behalf of our patients and the specialty at the institutional, state, and national levels. One of our first joint projects will provide education in health information technology (HIT) and laboratory information systems (LIS), which provide critical database and interface support for pathology's role in accountable care organizations (ACOs), coordinated care or other new health care delivery models.

Below is an overview of CAP's key educational offerings and initiatives:

- **Maintenance of Certification**

The CAP is committed to providing education to help pathologists meet the lifelong learning and performance in practice requirements of the American Board of Pathology (ABP) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. The CAP offers programs that meet MOC Parts II and IV requirements, including **Self-Assessment Modules (SAMs)**. The CAP currently offers more than 80 SAMs in 25 different specialty areas that can be accessed easily and quickly online. CAP SAMs offer highly interactive formats and outcomes-based learning. Pathologist experts peer review the content for CAP SAMs, ensuring learning is of the highest quality. In addition, the CAP is working with the Canadian Association of Pathologists to make our self-assessment modules (SAMs) available to Canadian pathologists who can then claim Royal College Section 3 Continuing Professional Development (CPD) credits. Currently, the CAP has received CPD accreditation for 58 of its SAMs.

**MyMOC.com** currently provides CAP members with a single resource, offering clear answers and tools for managing their MOC requirements. This resource includes a detailed calendar of deadlines, with reminders tied to specific individualized deadlines as well as answers to FAQs regarding the MOC process.

- **Advanced Practical Pathology Programs (AP<sup>3</sup>s)**

The CAP's Advanced Practical Pathology Programs (AP<sup>3</sup>s) include comprehensive CME and cognitive and practical assessment components. These programs offer pathologists the opportunity to develop, demonstrate, and become recognized for knowledge and skills in areas not currently addressed by the American Board of Pathology (ABP). The CAP currently offers the following AP<sup>3</sup> courses:

- Breast Predictive Factors Testing
- Multidisciplinary Breast Pathology
- Ultrasound-Guided Fine-Needle Aspiration
- Laboratory Medical Director

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- **Pharmacogenomics Education** The integration of diagnostics and therapeutics through pharmacogenomics is a major growth opportunity for practicing pathologists to impact personalized medicine. Already, new molecular techniques are rapidly reshaping clinical laboratories and the diagnostics they deliver.

The *Pharmacogenomics: From Concepts to Cases Series* provides the pathologist with the opportunity to lead in this emerging field and become more involved in the patient care team. The series includes two programs:

- *The Pharmacogenomics Essentials Program* consists of four online courses and offers a comprehensive understanding of key genetic and pharmacologic principles that underlie this emerging science.
  - *The Pharmacogenomics Applied Program* consists of in-depth case studies that review established scientific data, probe efficacy issues, and learn the latest developments across a range of diseases and therapies, from oncology to infectious disease.
- **Laboratory Accreditation Program Curriculum**

The Laboratory Accreditation Program curriculum is an internationally recognized program designed to keep inspectors and the laboratory team up-to-date with the most current requirements and improvements to the laboratory accreditation programs. **Inspector Training** includes team leader and team member training courses. Courses are revised annually to reflect recent checklist changes to help inspectors gain the most from the CAP inspection experience. The **LAP Continuous Compliance Series** is comprised of ten audio and web conferences in discipline-specific as well as general topics that promote best laboratory practices.
  - **Clinical Pathology Improvement Program (CPIP)**

CPIP is a monthly online performance improvement program designed for practicing anatomic and clinical pathologists and residents who wish to elevate their administrative, analytic, diagnostic, and interpretive skills, as well as improve the overall clinical pathology quality and performance of their laboratories. The program provides case study topics in hematology, coagulation, immunology, transfusion medicine, microbiology, chemistry, molecular genetic pathology, and laboratory management. Each case offers 1.25 CME/SAM credits to meet ABP's MOC Part II (Life-Long Learning and Self-Assessment) requirements. CPIP is an approved program for Part IV (Evaluation of Performance in Practice) requirements as well.
  - **Competency Assessment Program**

This online learning program helps laboratories meet CLIA and laboratory accreditation program requirements for competency assessment and training of laboratory professionals through convenient online courses and checklists. The program is comprehensive allowing laboratories to choose from dozens of CE courses in 11 disciplines. The program provides training in more than 130 instrument-specific observation checklists. Individual laboratories can tailor the courses and checklists to fit their laboratory as well as use the tools provided in the Program to create their own courses and checklists from scratch. The Safety & Compliance Courses package is available for an additional free and includes seven courses on safety and OSHA standards for annual laboratory compliance training.

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- **CAP '13 Annual Meeting**

The College's annual meeting, CAP'13—THE Pathologists' Meeting™, will be held on October 13-16, 2013, at the Gaylord Palms in Orlando, Florida. This year's scientific theme is endocrine pathology. The CAP Abstracts Program kicked off on February 4, 2013.

### 3. **ADVOCACY**

The CAP is pathology's most effective legislative and regulatory advocate on Capitol Hill. With an office in Washington, DC, since 1970, the CAP ensures pathologists have a strong voice in our nation's capital. The long- and short-term advocacy goals are:

- Enhance the pathologists' role in coordinated care
- Mitigate payment cuts to pathologists and adapt to new payment models
- Maximize pathologists' role in test selection and diagnosis
- Level the playing field for pathology

As health care reform continues to shift Medicare from a fee-for-service to a value-based program, the CAP's advocacy objective is to ensure public policy recognizes pathologists as critical members of the patient care and coordinated care team, and help pathologists adapt to new payment models and reporting requirements.

Some of the payment issues impacting US pathologists in 2013 are:

- SGR Repeal – With the estimated cost to repeal the SGR cut by \$100 billion in 2013, new legislation has already been introduced to replace the flawed payment formula permanently.
- CMS Code Revaluations -- special stains and FISH are under review in 2013.
- PQRS – 62% of all pathologists participate in the PQRS program, the highest participation rate of all specialties. CAP was instrumental in developing and gaining approval of five quality measures in 2013, with 3 additional measures in the pipeline for 2014.
- Meaningful Use – Pathologists are already exempted from participating in the 2013 Meaningful Use program thanks to CAP's advocacy efforts.
- Personalized Medicine – The CAP is also working to ensure the pathologist's role in personalized medicine. The CAP led the development of a new family of codes for molecular pathology, and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) created a HCPCS II G-code for physician interpretation of molecular tests.

CAP anticipates the continued growth of coordinated care and accountable care organizations, ACOs. The CAP has developed resources for pathologists entering ACOs:

- A white paper on pathologists' contributions in three different ACOs
- A web-based resource center for pathologists to get current information on ACOs
- A member network for CAP members who are participating in or plan to participate in an ACO
- Podcasts on pathologists' contributions in ACOs

Pathologists can keep abreast of all of the issues by

- Following the CAP's DC office on Twitter @CAPDCADVOCACY,
- Subscribing to STATLINE (available to CAP Members)

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- Registering for one of the issue-specific webinars
- Reviewing the policy toolkit, including issues briefs

## State Affairs

On the state level, the CAP represents the interests of pathologists by actively working with state pathology societies. Over the last several years, the CAP has undertaken substantial legislative and regulatory advocacy in more than three dozen states, helping craft laws and regulations that help protect the profession against economic and practice challenges. Indeed, the CAP, partnering with state pathology societies, has been successful in advocating enactment of direct billing requirements in 14 states since 2003.

- **2012 Accomplishments**
  - The College successfully led a multi-stakeholder, medical specialty, insurance and consumer coalition effort to oppose legislation to void the New York State physician anti-self referral law. In major victory for pathologists, the N.Y. Governor vetoed the legislation in November.
  - As the result of CAP and the Colorado Society of Pathologists advocacy, Colorado became the 19<sup>th</sup> state to enact a law requiring direct billing of anatomic pathology services. More than 2/3 of the U.S. patient population is now billed for these services pursuant to federal or state law.
  - The College and state pathology societies successfully secured an Attorney General opinion in Washington State and an Agency opinion in West Virginia to prohibit the donation of Electronic Health Records to referring physicians. (Six states now limit or prohibit this donation which is regarded by CAP as an abusive business practice.)
  - The College and the Georgia Society of Pathologists secured formal state recognition of the CAP's Laboratory Accreditation Program in that state, thereby obviating the requirement for routine state inspections.
  - The College and the Massachusetts Society of Pathologists concluded a three-year advocacy effort to secure a statutory basis for the CLIA Medical Director's role within Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs), and to expressly require that pathology and laboratory services be a part of the care continuum within ACOs. The CAP initiative was to promote the pathologists role within ACOs was supported by the Massachusetts Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.
  - The College and the Arizona Society of Pathologists defeated a legislative effort by certified registered nurse anesthesiologists to perform and interpret laboratory tests without limitation; the legislation was amended to limit their authority.
  - The CAP also blocked multi-state efforts by genetic counselors to interpret genetic tests under any contemplated scope of practice, including CAP backed passage of legislation in New Jersey to delete interpretive authority from genetic counselors current scope.
  - In December 2012, the CAP submitted comments to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) urging that HHS clarify that State or Federal Health Insurance Exchanges, established pursuant to the Affordable Care Act, include coverage for genetic or genomic testing when medically necessary.

## PathPAC

PathPAC, the CAP's political action committee, pools voluntary contributions of pathologists across the country to support candidates for elected office who demonstrate their responsiveness to the concerns of our profession. The Pathology Advocacy Network (PathNET), our grassroots program for members, facilitates the building of personal relationships between pathologists and Congress.

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The CAP's annual policy meeting and national lobby day in the spring has become a premier event for CAP members to actively participate in grassroots advocacy efforts and speak directly with top policymakers, including their Congressional representatives. The CAP 2013 Policy Meeting will be held May 6–8 in Washington, DC.

The College's Advocacy office—by making the voices of members and the profession heard—continues to build new relationships and strengthen existing partnerships in the public and private sectors, on both the state and national level, with the key decision makers to shape the present and future of pathology.

## 4. LABORATORY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

### **CAP Accreditation**

Last year, the CAP celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its Laboratory Accreditation Program. The accreditation offering has diversified over the years to include:

- Biorepositories
- Forensic drug testing
- Reproductive laboratories (in partnership with the American Society for Reproductive Medicine)
- International Organizations for Standardization (ISO) 15189<sup>SM</sup>

The CAP is the first to offer an accreditation program for biorepositories. Since the program kicked off in 2011, the CAP has accredited 18 biorepositories and enrolled 33 total sites.

The CAP program is the first-of-its-kind peer-based accreditation program developed to improve and standardize quality and consistency in collecting, processing, storing, distributing, and computerizing information for biospecimens while ensuring the quality of human specimens and genetic material.

The program consists of a three-year cycle that includes on-site inspection, self-evaluation, and desk assessment. Its mission is to improve the quality, accuracy, and procedural consistency of biorepositories and biospecimens needed to support research, drug discovery, and personalized medicine through an educational and peer review inspection and accreditation program.

### **Proficiency Testing (PT)**

The CAP's Surveys and Anatomic Pathology Education Program is the largest laboratory peer comparison program in the world. In 2013, the CAP introduced more than 50 new Surveys products, adding to the 600 already offered. New in 2013 is e-LAB Solutions Connect, automated proficiency test reporting that enables customers to run CAP PT more like a patient sample. With e-LAB Solutions Connect, CAP PT results are automatically transmitted from laboratory instrument to e-LAB Solutions using Instrument Manager™—middleware software developed by Data Innovations, LLC. Automatically transmitting the results eliminates the need for manual transcription, reducing PT failures and delivering results faster than ever before.

In 2012 and 2013, more Surveys are leveraging DigitalScope, an online technology simulating the microscope experience that delivers unparalleled viewing of whole slide images. Nearly 20 Surveys employ the technology in disciplines, including anatomic pathology, hematology/clinical microscopy, microbiology, and reproductive medicine.

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## 5. **CAP PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

CAP STS (SNOMED Terminology Solutions®) is CAP's professional services consultancy with a diversified offering related to health information strategy and planning, clinical health information management, and health care standards. CAP STS is committed to improving patient care through the advancement of interoperable EHRs and works with provider organizations, hospitals, health IT vendors, health information exchange initiatives, universities, research centers, and government agencies throughout the world.

CAP STS helps clients navigate complex issues and meet Meaningful Use requirements and has expertise in working with health care standards such as SNOMED Clinical Terms® (SNOMED CT®), LOINC®, RxNorm, and other clinical terminology standards that advance electronic health record interoperability.

The CAP is the original creator of SNOMED Clinical Terms® (SNOMED CT®)—a globally recognized controlled medical vocabulary and standard in the electronic health record—and has fostered its development for more than 40 years. CAP STS continues to develop and maintain SNOMED CT® on behalf of the International Health Terminology Standards Development Organization (IHTSDO®).

## 6. **CAP FOUNDATION**

The CAP Foundation champions patient-centered and humanitarian roles for pathologists, striving to connect people, especially those in need, to the specialized, life-saving skills of pathologists.

One of the CAP Foundation's most significant humanitarian efforts, the See, Test & Treat® program, provides free cervical and breast cancer screenings to women in medically underserved communities throughout the United States. CAP member pathologists, together with a team of health care professionals, volunteer their time and expertise to deliver cervical and breast cancer screenings, diagnoses, and follow-up to care or treatment recommendations in one day and at no cost to the women served.

In 2012, the CAP Foundation presented the first Gene and Jean Herbek Humanitarian Award, an annual award to provide a \$25,000 grant to a CAP Fellow who provides leadership in a See, Test & Treat program. The award was named after Dr. Gene Herbek who founded the See, Test & Treat program and his wife, Jean, who has shared his commitment to this initiative. The first annual award was bestowed upon Bradley M. Linzie, MD, FCAP, who has organized and delivered seven programs at the NorthPoint Clinic in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Dr. Linzie utilized his grant funding to provide valuable community education.

In addition to the patient-centered See, Test & Treat program, the CAP Foundation supports notable grants and awards through which significant strides in pathology and patient care emerge. These include the Leadership Development Award, the John H. Rippey Grant for Laboratory Quality Assurance, and the Translational Diagnostics Advanced Training Award.

Through the generous financial support of CAP members, staff, industry, and patient advocacy groups, the CAP Foundation serves as the leading philanthropic organization for pathologists. Since its inception in 1963, the CAP Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, has proudly granted millions of dollars to support pathology education, research, and humanitarian programs.

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For more information about how to make a tax-deductible contribution or apply for a grant or award, visit [foundation.cap.org](http://foundation.cap.org), or call 800-323-4040 ext. 7846 or email [CAPFdn@cap.org](mailto:CAPFdn@cap.org).

## 7. OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS

*CAP TODAY*, the College's monthly news magazine, enjoys the highest readership among all laboratory publications. Each issue reports medical, industry, and business news to more than 50,000 laboratory professionals. *Archives of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine* is the College's peer-reviewed, scientific journal giving editorial focus to the introduction and evaluation of new knowledge and technology. *STATLINE* is a biweekly electronic newsletter designed to keep members informed of new legislative and regulatory developments as they happen, serving as the first word on the public policy issues facing our members. Legislative and regulatory news is also delivered via Twitter, @CAPDCAdvocacy.

## 8. CAP PUBLIC WEBSITES

The CAP offers two websites for patients—one website offers patient information on cancer diagnosis and another focuses on preventive care. Re-launched in 2010, [MyBiopsy.org](http://MyBiopsy.org) provides accurate and credible information on more than 50 of the most common cancers and cancer-related conditions, including breast, colon, lung, and skin. The site includes answers to questions about cancer, lists of available treatment options, a glossary of key terms, and pictures of normal and diseased tissues. In addition, visitors to the site will find tips on how to read a pathology report, survivor stories, and recent cancer news.

The CAP also offers a free, e-mail reminder website, [MyHealthTestReminder.org](http://MyHealthTestReminder.org), to help individuals remember to schedule important cancer screening tests.

## 9. FUTURE MEETINGS—SAVE THE DATE

- CAP Policy Meeting: May 6-8, 2013, Fairmont Hotel, Washington, DC
- CAP'13—THE Pathologists' Meeting™: October 13-16, 2013, Gaylord Palms in Kissimmee (Orlando), Florida
- CAP'14—THE Pathologists' Meeting™: September 7-10, 2014, Hyatt Regency, Chicago, Illinois