



American College of
Emergency Physicians®

ADVANCING EMERGENCY CARE 

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Global Development and Promotion of Emergency Medicine

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The American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) supports the global development of emergency medicine as a professional, clinical and academic specialty. ACEP supports the development and promotion of emergency medicine globally, as evidenced by its role as a founding member of the International Federation for Emergency Medicine (IFEM).

ACEP supports global initiatives including:

- Formal recognition of emergency medicine as a unique and independent specialty;
- The timely access to high-quality emergency care for all people;
- Delivery of emergency care in all settings by appropriately trained physician-led teams;
- Appropriate and specific education for all emergency care team members;
- Global activities focusing on the development and promotion of emergency care, consistent with ACEP's definition;
- Development of emergency medicine as an academic specialty;
- Collegial exchange and collaboration among emergency physicians of all countries; and
- Advocacy for global emergency care issues.

ACEP encourages the international collaboration of specialty organizations to advance the specialty of emergency medicine around the world.