Mission: To enhance the quality and effectiveness of health care by fostering excellence and professionalism in the practice of medicine.

## Medicare/Medicaid Reform

Support: modernizing Medicare through better use of prudent purchasing authority, modernized benefits, coverage for

## Access to Care

Support: affordable universal health care coverage and meaningful access for all Americans

Support: guaranteed patient choice of physician and access to specialty care Support: programs to address disparities in health care among racial and ethnic minorities

Support: continued ability of internists to provide pain medicine Support: Physician override of Step Therapy Protocols

Support: Prohibition of "Accumulator Programs"

## **Medical Education**

Support: increased financial support of internal medicine graduate medical education

Support: reduction in debt burdens carried by medical students and internal