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## CALIFORNIA THORACIC SOCIETY

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Dear California Respiratory Care Provider,

With the arrival of the new year and having just completed one of our most successful winter chapter meetings in Carmel last January I am writing to invite you to consider joining the California Thoracic Society, the local state chapter of the American Thoracic Society. I have been a member of both CTS and ATS since I completed my fellowship in Pulmonary/Critical Care Medicine 20 years ago and have enjoyed both immensely. CTS in particular has given me the opportunity to develop local relationships with other members of the California respiratory/critical care community, learn, grow academically and contribute through our advocacy programs. CTS is a wonderful source of career development and advancement and the society has a collegiality which is unmatched at other professional medical societies.

In addition to our two annual meetings, CTS provides access to our newsletter, participation in committee activities, networking and advocacy. CTS is a local, grass roots community that has grown over the years due to the dedication of countless physicians, nurses, respiratory therapists and other allied health professionals dedicated to improving the lung health of California residents. We enjoy the support from the American Thoracic Society to grow our membership, educational programs and other activities at a local level that makes the fruits of our efforts even more tangible.

I am very proud to be a member of CTS which has benefited all aspects of my career and I encourage you to join this vibrant growing society as well. There are several options for membership from individual to institutional membership for you and your colleagues (the 2018 Dues Notice is attached for your convenience) and I look forward to having you join us.

Sincerely,

George Chaux, MD  
Membership Committee co-Chair  
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