

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy Holidays!

As we reflect on this past year, I am filled with gratitude and pride for all we have accomplished together as a chapter. It has been an absolute honor to serve as your president in 2024 and to work alongside such a passionate and dedicated group of professionals.

This year, we successfully hosted two remarkable events—the **Spring into GI Conference** and the **Fall into GI Conference**—with nearly **70 attendees** at each. These conferences not only provided valuable continuing education but also created opportunities for networking and collaboration within our gastroenterology community. Your active participation and support made these events memorable and impactful.

I am incredibly thankful for the hard work of our Board of Directors, volunteers, and all our members who contributed to this year's successes. Together, we are advancing GI nursing and ensuring excellence in patient care.

As we look toward 2025, I encourage each of you to consider taking a more active role in Chicago SGNA. Whether by volunteering, attending events, or sharing your ideas, your involvement will help us continue to grow and thrive.

Wishing you and your families a joyful holiday season and a New Year filled with health, happiness, and success.

Warm regards,
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President, Chicago SGNA 2024



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SPRING INTO GI 2024

The **Spring Into GI Conference 2024**, held on April 27th at Elmhurst Hospital, was a resounding success, with nearly 70 attendees benefiting from a robust agenda featuring expert speakers and engaging sessions. Participants gained insights into cutting-edge topics, including updates on fatty liver disease, IBD medications, eosinophilic esophagitis, biliary and pancreatic endoscopic emergencies, and regulatory compliance. The event provided 6.0 continuing education hours for nursing professionals, reinforcing our commitment to fostering growth in gastroenterology nursing.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all attendees for their enthusiastic participation and to our esteemed speakers for sharing their expertise. Special gratitude goes to our vendors for their unwavering support, which enriched the event experience and strengthened our professional community. Your contributions were vital to the success of this conference, and we look forward to continuing our collaboration in future events.



FALL INTO GI 2024

The **Fall into GI 2024** conference, held on October 12, 2024, at Elmhurst Hospital, was an enriching event packed with insightful sessions and invaluable networking opportunities. Attendees gained up to 6.0 continuing education hours while engaging with a diverse range of topics, from advancements in endoscopic techniques and anesthetic considerations to nutrition for GI patients and innovative management strategies for chronic conditions. The event featured renowned speakers and interactive vendor exhibits, ensuring a dynamic learning experience.



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