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Our Vision

That the Genesee County Medical Society maintain its position as the premier medical society by advocating on behalf of its physician members and patients.

Our Mission

The mission of the Genesee County Medical Society is leadership, advocacy, education, and service on behalf of its members and their patients.

PLEASE NOTE

The GCMS Nominating Committee seeks input from members for nominations for the GCMS Presidential Citation for Lifetime Community Service. The Committee would like to be made aware of candidates for consideration.

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DON'T MISS MACRA AND THE FUTURE OF THE ACA ON FEBRUARY 2ND!

New Year's Greetings to all. I hope that you all had an enjoyable holiday season embracing traditions and customs with your families and loved ones. It is a new year and I would like to extend to all my best wishes for a prosperous and successful new year.

The new year will bring monumental changes that will significantly impact health care in this country at all levels affecting both providers and patients. The new administration in Washington promises changes to the Affordable Healthcare Act. That in itself is an unpredictable transition to be followed closely.

More clearly defined is the Medicare Access & CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) of 2015. Initial implementation occurred in 2016 with full implementation to occur over the next two years, 2017 – 2018. Under the MACRA the next few years will see significant changes with the transition from fee-for-service to new value-based payment models. In January 2015, the Department of Health and Human Services announced new goals for value-based payments and alternative payment models (APMs). The first goal ties Medicare payments to quality or value through alternative payment models (categories 3-4) by the end of 2016 and 50% by the end of 2018. The second goal ties Medicare fee-for-service to quality or value (categories 2-4) by the end of 2016, and 90% by the end of 2018.

MACRA is a major policy shift toward transforming the US health care system. These changes are designed to provide "Better care", "Smarter spending," and "Healthier people."

How does MACRA achieve these lofty goals? Title I of MACRA:



John Hebert, MD

- Repeals the Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR) formula
- Changes the way that Medicare rewards clinicians for value over volume
- Streamlines multiple quality programs under the new Merit-Based Incentive Payments System (MIPS)
- Provides bonus payments for participation in eligible alternative models (APMs)

There is a considerable amount to digest and understand with MACRA implementation. Adapting to these new payment models will require changes in how physicians work. The changes will impact physicians in independent small and medium-sized practices differently than employed physicians in larger systems.

The Genesee County Medical Society will address MACRA and its impact on physicians in its next Town Hall Meeting on Feb. 2, 2016. The meeting title is MACRA: How Independent physicians and others can thrive in a value-based environment. The featured presenters will be former AMA President J. James Rohack, MD along with Stacey Hettiger, Director, Medical and Regulatory Policy, at the Michigan State Medical Society. They will provide help and support for physicians moving toward these new payment models.

The meeting will be held at the Flint Golf Club. Physicians, Spouses, and Practice managers are all invited and welcome to attend this timely and informative Town Hall Meeting. I look forward to seeing many of you in attendance.

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AMA PRESIDENT TO SPEAK IN FLINT ON THE ACA AND MACRA IN THE NEW POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT

If you would like a frontline view of the Affordable Care Act and MACRA in the new political environment and you need to know what is likely to change and what will remain the same, you will not want to miss the meeting on Feb. 2, 2017! The GCMS quarterly Town Hall Meeting will feature a presentation by AMA Past President, Dr. J. James Rohack, a cardiologist and policy specialist on MACRA, as well as Stacey Hettiger, Director of Medical and Regulatory Policy, MSMS. This dinner meeting is free of charge for GCMS, MSMS, and AMA members. With a new Republican executive branch, Republican Senate and House, paradigms are shifting at the Federal level. GCMS is endeavoring to ensure that you are informed of what those shifts entail. Whether you are in private



Peter Levine, MPH

practice or an employed physician, affiliated or completely independent, this information is vital. Please invite your friends, colleagues, practice managers, and even your spouses. You need this information! I hope to see everyone on February 2, 2017.

Please note that the AMA staff attending the February 2, Town Hall meeting, are also wishing to hold a listening tour. They are interested in meeting with physicians in Genesee County who are in solo or small practices, to learn more about the realities of medical practice in today's healthcare environment. Physicians interested in participating are encouraged to email Carrie Waller at carrie.waller@ama-assn.org, or call 312-464-4546.

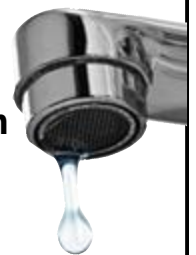
AMA LISTENING TOUR

In conjunction with the GCMS, February 2, 2017, Town Hall Meeting and education event outlined on page 6, the AMA is conducting a Listening Tour and is particularly interested in meeting with physicians in solo or small practices (2-10 physicians) to learn more about the realities of medical practice in today's health care environment. AMA staff will be in Flint on Thursday, February 2nd, & Friday, February 3rd and seek to meet with physicians at their office for a brief 30-minute interview.

If you are interested in participating in the AMA Listening Tour, please email Carrie Waller at carrie.waller@ama-assn.org, or call 312.464.4546 as soon as possible.

The Genesee County Medical Society appreciates your support of the AMA's efforts.

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February 2, 2017

ACA & MACRA in the New Political Environment: How to Thrive in Value-Based Health Care

What is Likely to Change? What Will Remain the Same?



The next few years will bring significant changes with the transition from fee for service to new value based payment models under Medicare and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA). Success in orienting to new payment models will require changes in how physicians work while continuing to remain patient-centric. The changes will impact physicians in independent small and medium-sized practices differently than employed physicians in larger systems. Drawing on the AMA's STEPSForward program, former **AMA President, J. James Rohack, MD, along with Stacey Hettiger, Director, Medical and Regulatory Policy, at the Michigan State Medical Society**, will provide help and support for physicians moving toward new payment models.

Upon completion of this activity, participants will be able to:

- 1) Discuss the changes in the payment environment moving from volume to value
- 2) Summarize key elements required to thrive under new models
- 3) Identify tools from the AMA and MSMS that help orient physicians to new payment models

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7 pm, Meeting

7:15 pm, Presentations

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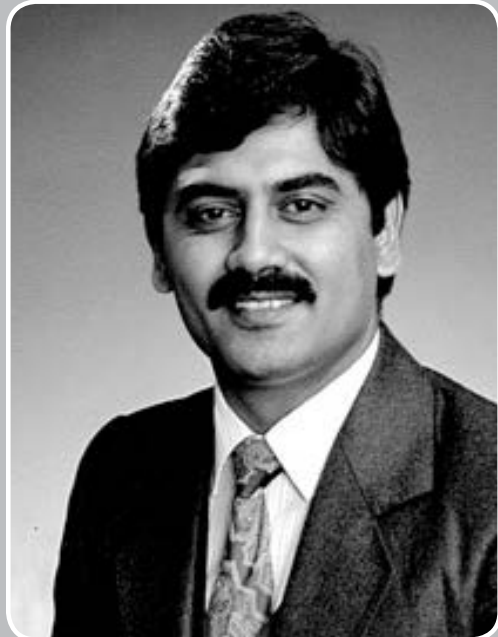
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- GCMS, MSMS, and AMA staff worked out the details for a MACRA meeting scheduled for February 2, 2017
- GCMS and AMA worked out the details on to facilitate site visits by AMA staff to understand perspectives of member physicians
- GCMS begin work with Wayne State University to facilitate legionella information transfer to the medical community
- GCMS worked with MSMS to achieve positive outcomes on scope of practice legislation, and several other bills of concern for physicians
- GCMS worked with several third-party payers to help physicians navigate a fix to a problem

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1949 Rita MacGregor

1950 Evelyn McLeod

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1953 Berneda Farhat

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1957 Stella Kaufman

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1971 Evelyn Dykewicz

1972 Ruth Estfon

1973 Mary McAlindon

1974 Ann Coriasso

1975 Margaret Rabiah

1976 Margaret Bonet

1977 Beverly Price

1978 DeLourde LaVielle

1979 Mary Turcke

1980 Lesley Canada

1981 Mary Tauscher

1982 Marilyn Lindman

1983 Bobbi Schoolfield

1984 Judith McLeod

1985 Lila Esfahani

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& Darcy Ojeda

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2005 Kee Kang

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2007 Rula Ali-Bakr
& Liesbeth Fernandez

2008 Beth Schumacher

2009 Elizabeth Jordan

2010 Velynda Makhene

2011 Rosa Wang

2012 Oya Agabigum

2013 Ruqsana Ahmed
& Vibha Kaushal

2014 Ruqsana Ahmed

2015 Maria McCann
& Raquel Yapchai

2016 Maria McCann

Issues of Serious Concern for Medical Practices!

Don't let your practice manager miss these important meetings!



Held 4th Thursday of each month from 8am to 10am.

The following topics are tentatively scheduled and subject to change

January Topic:

**Communication Between Specialists
& Primary Care Practices**

February Topic:

MACRA Update

Light breakfast available – coffee, tea, yogurt, fruit cups and granola bars

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2016 GCMS/GCMSA Past President's Ball a Great Celebration of Family!

The GCMS/GCMSA President's Ball held in mid-November was a blast with a circus theme, Under the Big Top - a Family Affair; and all were amused by the excitement of the children who were present. After dinner and the installation of our new leader, Magician Dan Rouse, and his beautiful assistant captured the attention of the children and every kid at heart. A dessert buffet and great music topped off the night.

The purpose of the President's Ball each year is to honor Past Presidents of the Genesee County Medical Society and the Genesee County Medical Society Alliance. On Nov. 19th, 2016, Dr. Pino Colone finished his year as President, and Dr. John Hebert, III, was installed as President. But most of all, people had fun. The circus-themed centerpieces added sparkle and whimsy atop red and white striped tables encircled with white tent style chairs. Giant balloons with colorful ribbons were hung from the ceiling, even the food was fun. The balloon animals made by the magician were a huge hit with the children.

Everyone thanked the Ball Committee for creating such a festive ambiance to celebrate the medical community. The 2016 Ball Committee included GCMSA President, Maria McCann, Raquel Yapchai, Jeanette Rivera, Ruqsana Ahmed, Feroza Raffee, Amita Desai, Peter Levine, and Sherry Smith. Dr. Colone thanked his family, and his mentor, Dr. Cathy Blight, and others. Dr. Hebert welcomed his responsibilities as President and delivered his commitment to shepherd the organization forward.

The Past Presidents of GCMS and GCMSA who were present were lauded. They included Medical Society Past Presidents Drs. Shafi Ahmed, Suresh Anne, Cathy Blight, Laura Carravallah, Pino Colone, Samuel Dismond, Jr., Deborah Duncan, Cyrus Farrehi, Hesham Gayar, Kenneth Jordan, Bobby Mukkamala, Lawrence Reynolds and Alliance Past Presidents, Oya Agabigum, Ruqsana Ahmed, Elizabeth Jordan, Vibha Kaushal, Maria McCann, and Raquel Yapchai.









DEA REVERSES ANNOUNCED CHANGE TO REGISTRATION RENEWAL PROCESS

The AMA recently alerted the Federation to a notice from the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) that effective Jan. 1, 2017, the DEA was changing its long-standing policy of allowing a grace period for registrants who failed to file a timely renewal application. Late yesterday afternoon, the DEA reversed its decision and posted a notice that it is retaining its current policy and procedures, with one minor change, regarding registration renewals. The revised announcement states the following:

REVISED ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

Starting January 2017, DEA will no longer send its second renewal notification by mail. Instead, an electronic reminder to renew will be sent to the email address associated with the DEA registration.

At this time, DEA will otherwise retain its current policy and procedures with respect to renewal and reinstatement of registration. This policy is as follows:

- If a renewal application is submitted in a timely manner prior to expiration, the registrant may continue operations, authorized by the registration, beyond the expiration date until final action is taken on the application.
- DEA allows the reinstatement of an expired registration for one calendar month after the expiration date. If the registration is not renewed within that calendar month, an application for a new DEA registration will be required.
- Regardless of whether a registration is reinstated within the calendar month after expiration, federal law prohibits the handling of controlled substances or List 1 chemicals for any period of time under an expired registration.

So, The AMA reports that the good news is that registration numbers will not automatically be retired if renewal applications are filed within the one-month grace period after the expiration date. However, there are a few issues that need clarification from the DEA, including whether the filing of a renewal application during

the one-month grace period automatically reinstates the registration number or whether DEA must adjudicate the renewal application before the number becomes valid. It also is not clear whether a registration number remains valid if the registrant files a renewal application during the grace period and DEA fails to adjudicate the application before the end of the month. The AMA will be following up with DEA staff on these issues and will update the Federation accordingly.

If you want to check your registration expiration date, please contact the DEA Registration Service Center at 1-800-882-9539 or email DEA.Registration.Help@usdoj.gov and include your DEA Registration number in your email.



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2016 Ball Wrap-Up Committee, 1/17
12:00pm, GCMS Office

Finance Committee, 1/24
5:15pm, GCMS Office

Board of Directors, 1/24
6:00pm, GCMS Office

Community & Environmental
Health Committee, 1/25
12:30pm, GCMS Office

Practice Managers, 1/26
“Communication Between Specialists
& Primary Care Practices”
8:00am, GCMS Office

MSF Fundraising Committee, 1/26
6:00pm, GCMS Office

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information regarding
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Genesee County Medical Society
Annual General Membership Meeting Presidents' Ball
November 19, 2016 - Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order in the grand ballroom of Genesys Banquet & Conference Center at 7:30pm, by Pino Colone, MD, President.

Dr. Colone thanked the sponsors and welcomed the guests. He also introduced the 2016 Ball Committee which included Maria McCann, Raquel Yapchai, Jeanette Rivera, Ruqsana Ahmed, Feroza Raffee, Amita Desai, Sherry Smith and Pete Levine. He complimented them for doing such a great job.

Dr. Colone recognized the Genesee County Medical Society and Genesee County Medical Society Alliance Boards of Directors.

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II. Introduction of Alliance President

Dr. Colone introduced Maria McCann, Genesee County Medical Society Alliance President. Maria welcomed the attendees, and reported on what the Alliance has been doing over the course of this year and what they will be involved in during the rest of the year. She also thanked GCMS for its work on behalf of physicians and their families.

III. Elections

Dr. Colone introduced the Slate of Nominees as published in the GCMS Bulletin.

Motion: **that the Slate of Nominees for GCMS offices, as approved by the membership in September, and published in the August 2016 GCMS Bulletin, be validated by acclamation. The motion carried.**

IV. Retiring Board Member, New Board Members

Dr. Colone congratulated Dr. Gerald Natzke for being elected President Elect. Dr. Colone also thanked Drs. Dan Ryan and Rubin Raju for their years of service of the Board. He also welcomed Dr. Punam Sharman to the Board of Directors.

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V. Installation of New President

Dr. Cathy Blight, Past President of MSMS was called to the podium to install Dr. John Hebert, III, as President. Dr. Hebert thanked the membership for their trust in him and presented Dr. Colone with his gavel, and gavel holder.

VI. Presentation to Immediate Past President

Dr. Hebert presented a gavel holder plaque to Dr. Colone so that he could display the honor of President bestowed upon him by his peers.

VII. Adjournment

After thanking the Ball Committee, Vogt's Flowers, and the magician, Peter Levine introduced Medical Society Alliance Past Presidents, Oya Agabigum, Ruqsana Ahmed, Elizabeth Jordan, Vibha Kaushal, Maria McCann, and Raquel Yapchai. From the Medical Society, Levine introduced Past Presidents Drs. Shafi Ahmed, Suresh Anne, Cathy Blight, Laura Carravallah, Pino Colone, Samuel Dismond, Jr., Deborah Duncan, Cyrus Farrehi, Hesham Gayar, Kenneth Jordan, Bobby Mukkamala, Lawrence Reynolds.

The meeting was adjourned with desserts served in the hallway, and the beginning of dancing, at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Levine
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Zumba Gold (1 hour) - A less intense version of the classic Zumba. This class offers fun music to keep the excitement high while keeping the impact low.

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12:30-1:30 pm

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DECEMBER LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING

On Dec. 5th, the Legislative Liaison Committee meeting was held. Attendees included Gary Jones from Congressman Kildee's office, Representative Joe Graves, Bryanna McGarry from Senator Ananich's office, and Nicole Derusha-Mackey from Representative Faris' office. In addition, Phil Phelps, State Representative, and Colin Ford of the Michigan State Medical Society attended.

The Committee heard a presentation on the Senate Bill 1019 which would expand scope of practice for certified registered nurse anesthetists. It has passed out of the Senate and is now in the House Health Policy Committee. The legislation was timed it to possibly come out the day after the meeting. Our Representatives Phelps and Graves serve on House Health Policy Committee and will both be No votes on this legislation.

House bill 5400, advanced practice registered nurses, will likely pass. MSMS was neutral, but the content of the bill is satisfactory with MSMS.

A medical malpractice Senate bill 1104 has been set up to correct a procedural decision by the courts, and is expected to pass.

Regarding the Michigan Automated Prescription System update, legislation has been passed, and funds allocated to perform a thorough renovation and update of MAPS.

The next meeting of the GCMS Legislative Liaison Committee will take place on February 6, 2017.



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WHY WE SUPPORT DR. PRICE TO LEAD HHS

The AMA supports the nomination of Dr. Tom Price based on decades of interactions with him as a member of the AMA House of Delegates, Georgia state senator and as a member of the House of Representatives since 2005. Over these years, there have been important policy issues on which we agreed (medical liability reform) and others on which we disagreed (passage of the Affordable Care Act). Two things that have been consistent are his understanding of the many challenges facing patients and physicians today, and his willingness to listen directly to concerns expressed by the AMA and other physician organizations.

An orthopaedic surgeon for nearly twenty years, Dr. Price would be the first physician to serve as secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services since President George H.W. Bush appointed Louis W. Sullivan, MD, in 1989, and only the third doctor to serve as secretary of the department in its 63-year



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history. That physician background will provide important perspective within the president's cabinet. Too often, health policy makers and regulators give short shrift to the real-world impact their plans and decisions can have on how patient care is delivered.

RELATED COVERAGE Trump's HHS pick brings physician, policy experience to role

Even prior to his 2004 election to Congress, Dr. Price brought his physician experience to bear on health policy as a member of the Georgia Senate, where he served on the Health and Human Services Committee and supported efforts to improve child safety and expand patient choice. The AMA recognized his state legislative work with the Dr. Nathan Davis Award. More recently, Dr. Price has taken part as a speaker in AMA-organized policy events, such as a 2015 tele-town hall that prompted conversation on how to chart a better course on electronic health records.



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The conversation surrounding President-elect Trump's HHS choice caused me to reflect on a similar episode in the history of U.S. health care. When Ronald Reagan named pediatric surgeon C. Everett Koop, MD, as surgeon general, the move prompted a flurry of opposition based on Dr. Koop's fervent opposition to abortion.

Despite that early resistance, Dr. Koop went on to become a powerful and constructive voice during the AIDS epidemic, helping to advance education, prevention and treatment responses that reduced stigma, deaths and suffering. He also released eight reports on tobacco use's baleful health consequences and promoted the goal of a smoke-free society. Dr. Koop's one-time opponents later cited him as a role model for how the U.S. surgeon general can help the nation face serious health care challenges.

The AMA will actively engage Dr. Price, other leaders in the incoming Trump administration and Congress in discussions on the health system's future direction. We remain devoted to improving health insurance coverage so that patients receive timely, high-quality care, preventive services and other necessary medical treatments. And for us, a core principle with regard to any proposed health system reform is that it should not cause anyone who has health insurance coverage now to lose it.

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