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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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GCMS Meetings

Recessed July and August

Practice Manager Meeting

September 11th, 2025

9:00A.M

Town Hall Meeting

September 17th 2025

6:00-8:30 P.M

(Details inside)

Board of Directors

September 23rd ,2025

6:00 P.M.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A New Logo May Signify a New Change for GCMS

August 31, 2025 marked the five-year anniversary for the Genesee County Medical Society Executive Director. In that five-year period (2024), Genesee County Medical Society has designed and the Board approved a new GCMS logo. Represented on the new GCMS logo, the Genesee County Medical Society is an organization that was “Established in 1841”. The new logo may now signify a new change to the structure of the organization.

The Michigan State Medical Society was formed in 1866 in the Supreme Court in Detroit, MI. Rebecca Blake of MSMS stated “As far as I am aware, counties have always been linked”. This link has been in existence for “maybe 159 years”.

Linked refers to MSMS physician members are required to join their subsequent County Medical Society. The MSMS bylaws state to become a physician member in MSMS it is mandatory to also join the appropriate County Medical Society. Dues for both organizations are collected and distributed by MSMS.

Over the past several years, Michigan State Medical Society has experienced a decline in membership and revenue. Fiscal year 2024 – 2025 was no different, showing additional decline in both membership and revenue. The continued decline in MSMS membership and revenue is not sustainable financially, for long term viability of the organization.

The Michigan State Medical Society has created a task force of physicians across the state, in both county and state leadership to investigate the following three issues impacting MSMS finances:

1. To determine if all 36 current MSMS Board members are needed, can the number of board members be reduced.
2. Annual House of Delegates costs are \$40,000 - \$60,000, can this be reduced.
3. Unlinking with the County Medical Societies.
4. Membership with MSMS would not require County Medical Society Membership. The task force is investigating if unlinking of membership would result in an increase in physician membership and increased revenue for Michigan State Medical Society. MSMS members would not be required to pay County Medical Society dues. MSMS and the County Medical Societies would function as two separate organizations and would not be partnered as it is currently. Physicians would have the option to join either or both, with two separate payments.

Current MSMS task force recommendations:

1. The MSMS task force has not made a decision if there will be a reduction of the 36 MSMS Board Members. There is a strong possibility, MSMS will reduce the number of Board Members in the near future.
2. Michigan State Medical Society has made the decision for 2026; there will be no more live annual House of Delegates meeting. The 2026 House of Delegates and all reference committees will be virtual Via Zoom. This will save MSMS \$40,000 - \$60,000 annually.
3. The third issue the MSMS task force is investigating, would unlinking with the County Medical Societies create an increase in physician members and additional revenue for MSMS. The current system includes MSMS receiving dues for both organizations and distributing the dues to the county.
For the first time in over 150 years (2023), MSMS began charging the counties a hefty fee to collect and distribute County Medical Society membership dues collected by MSMS.

The Michigan State Medical Society task force will be meeting in August, September, and October. A final report with recommendations will be presented at the January MSMS Board of Directors Meeting. If changes are recommended, it may require bylaws change at the virtual House of Delegates annual meeting in 2026.

If the decision is recommended by the task force and approved by MSMS to unlink with the County Medical Societies, both organizations will significantly change.

Physicians would choose to join their County Medical Society, Michigan State Medical Society, or join both separate.

Physician members would be required to pay two separate organizations, if they wanted to remain a member of both.

Less robust County Medical Societies already under financial strain, may not survive financially with unlinking.

Deunification could strain the relationship between State and County Medical Societies.

The Genesee County Medical Society is not in favor of the MSMS unlinking with the County Medical Societies in Michigan.

The Genesee County Medical Society partnership with MSMS of over 150 years will end. A risk will exist for both MSMS and County Medical Societies to experience a decline in membership and revenue, necessary to sustain both organizations.

Genesee County Medical Society members may voice their concerns or opinions.

Deunification may have a negative financial impact on the County Medical

Societies. What is currently an excellent relationship between GCMS and MSMS could end.

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If Genesee County Medical Society members would like to make a comment or voice a concern, please send an email to David Hoff the Executive Director of GCMS.

David will forward all email concerns or comments to the appropriate individuals.

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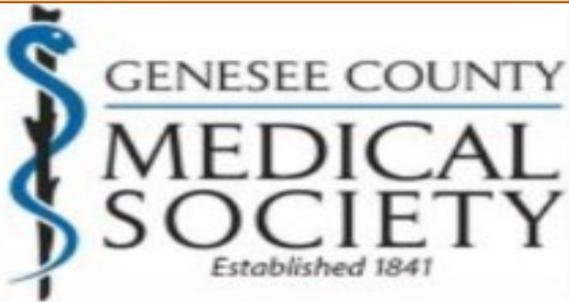
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**Genesee County Medical Society Proudly Presents:
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September 17, 2025
6:00pm - 8:30pm**

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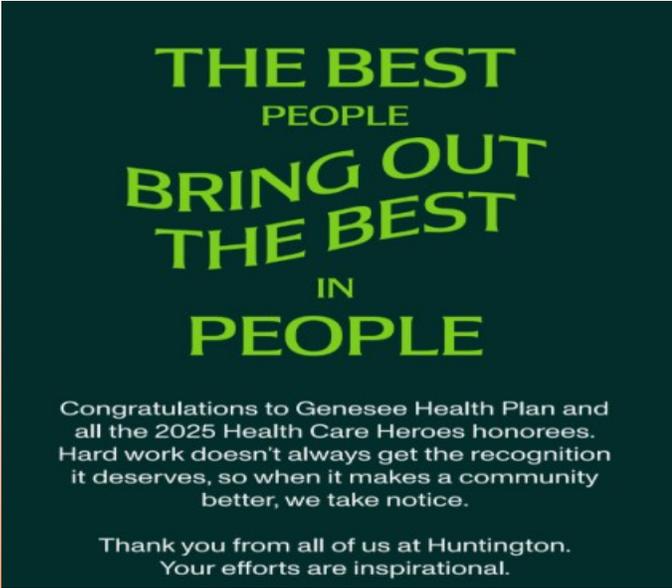
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GCMSA ALLIANCE

**Meet the GCMSA
President**

**Amanda
Bauer**



About Me

Amanda will be filling the role as president of GCMSA for the term September 2025-May 2026. She is a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and currently works for Dr. Sweety Srivastava at the Pediatric Place PC. Her husband is Dr. Jace Bauer who is a Orthopaedic Surgical Resident at Henry Ford Genesys. He recently matched for fellowship at the Swedish Spine Institute in Seattle, WA. They welcomed their first baby girl into the world this past March!

Her goals as the GCMSA president this year are:

- Market GCMSA on social media platforms
- Recruit new GCMSA members
- Raise additional funds for local charities and the free medical clinic
- Help organize group events and social gatherings

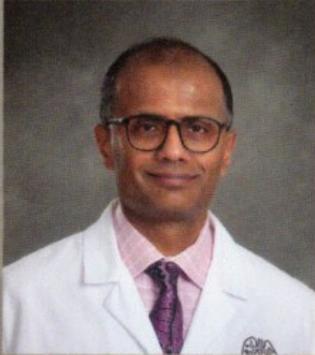
GCMSA Upcoming Events

Book club- August 26th
Board Meeting- September 9th
International Luncheon- September 23rd
Peace Day- October 4th

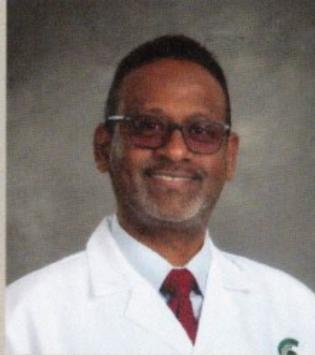
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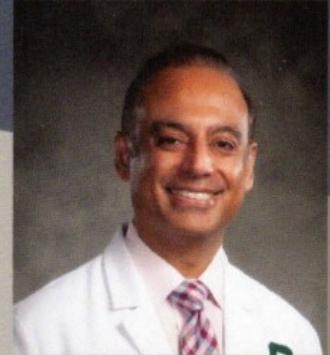
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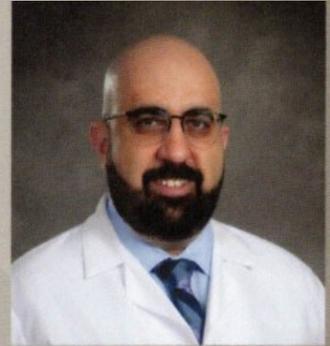
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Controlled Substance Licenses:

Opioids and Other Controlled Substances Awareness Training Standards for Prescribers and Dispensers of Controlled Substances

This is a one-time training that is separate from continuing education for an individual seeking a controlled substance license or who is licensed to prescribe or dispense controlled substances.

Licensees that prescribe or dispense controlled substances who renewed in 2019 must complete training by January 2023; renewals for 2020 by 2024, renewals for 2021 by 2025. Beginning in September 2019, completion of the training is a requirement for initial licensure.

Training content must cover all of the following topics:

- ◆ Use of opioids and other controlled substances.
- ◆ Integration of treatments.
- ◆ Alternative treatments for pain management.
- ◆ Counseling patients on the effects and risks associated with using opioids and other controlled substances.
- ◆ The stigma of addiction.
- ◆ Utilizing the Michigan Automated Prescription System (MAPS).
- ◆ State and federal laws regarding prescribing and dispensing controlled substances.
- ◆ Security features and proper disposal requirements for prescriptions.

For Medical Licenses:

Training Standards for Identifying Victims of Human Trafficking

This is a one-time training that is separate from continuing education. Licensees renewing for 2017 must complete training by renewal in 2020; renewals for 2018 by 2021, and renewals for 2019 by 2022. Beginning in 2021, completion of the training is a requirement for initial licensure.

Training content shall cover all of the following:

- ◆ Understanding the types and venues of human trafficking in this state or the United States.
- ◆ Identifying victims of human trafficking in health care settings.
- ◆ Identifying the warning signs of human trafficking in health care settings for adults and minors.
- ◆ Resources for reporting the suspected victims of human trafficking.

Education on Pain and Symptom Management

A minimum of 3 hours of continuing education every 3-year relicensure cycle. At least 1 of the 3 hours must include controlled substances prescribing.

Continuing education hours may include, but are not limited to, any of the following areas:

- ◆ Public health burden of pain.
- ◆ Ethics and health policy related to pain.
- ◆ Michigan pain and controlled substance laws.
- ◆ Pain definitions.
- ◆ Basic sciences related to pain including pharmacology.
- ◆ Clinical sciences related to pain.
- ◆ Specific pain conditions.
- ◆ Clinical physician communication related to pain.
- ◆ Management of pain, including evaluation and treatment and nonpharmacological and pharmacological management.
- ◆ Ensuring quality pain care and controlled substances prescribing.
- ◆ Michigan programs and resources relevant to pain.

Medical Ethics

A minimum of one-hour of continuing education every 3-year relicensure cycle.

Implicit Bias

A minimum of 3 hours every 3-year relicensure cycle. New licensees need 2 hours within the 5 years immediately preceding.

Renewals from June 1, 2022 - May 31, 2023, need 1 hour; renewals from June 1, 2023 - May 31, 2024, need 2 hours; renewals from June 1, 2024 - May 31, 2025, need 3 hours. Then after, every 3-year renewal cycle will need to report 3 hours. (Any hours after June 2021 can be used.)

Training must include strategies to reduce disparities in access to and delivery of health care services and the administration of pre- and post-test implicit bias assessments.

Acceptable modalities of training include asynchronous teleconference or webinars, in addition to live activities and live webinars.

Training content must include, but is not limited to, 1 or more of the following topics:

- ◆ Information on implicit bias, equitable access to health care, serving a diverse population, diversity and inclusion initiatives, and cultural sensitivity.
- ◆ Strategies to remedy the negative impact of implicit bias by recognizing and understanding how it impacts perception, judgment, and actions that may result in inequitable decision making, failure to effectively communicate, and result in barriers and disparities in the access to and delivery of health care services.
- ◆ The historical basis and present consequences of implicit biases based on an individual's characteristics.
- ◆ Discussion of current research on implicit bias in the access to and delivery of health care services.

Medical Doctor (MD) Licensure Requirements

Each medical doctor is required to complete 150 hours of continuing education in courses or programs approved by the board of which a minimum 75 hours of the required 150 hours must be earned in courses or programs designated as Category 1 programs. Other license requirements are listed here:

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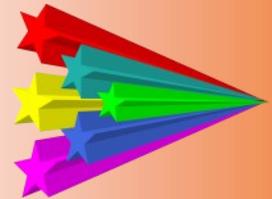
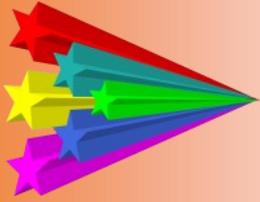
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From the AMA

Shorter workweek doesn't mean less work for doctors
Despite fewer reported hours on the clock, AMA data show the volume of work physicians handle outside of normal hours remains high!!

Physicians are reporting fewer hours spent in clinical settings each week—a trend that might suggest progress in easing the heavy workloads often associated with modern medicine. However, an exclusive AMA survey shows a more troubling undercurrent: despite fewer reported hours on the clock, the volume of work physicians handle outside of normal hours remains high. The findings underscore a critical challenge in U.S. health care: administrative burdens continue to weigh heavily on doctors, eroding time meant for rest and recovery.





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To make a positive difference in the lives of Genesee County residents by promoting healthy life styles and education through partnerships with GCMS and local community organizations, as well as providing a supportive network to medical families.



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Who We Are?

Physician's spouses who strive to make our county a better place for ourselves, our families, and our community.

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What We Do?

- Involved in the Genesee County Free Medical Clinic & Healing Hands 5K Run/Walk.
- Helps the GCMS in its legislative efforts for quality health care.
- Provides supplies to the YWCA women's shelter
- Raises funds for Peace Day & scholarships
- Organize social events such as international luncheons, book clubs, friendship gatherings, and more!

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5:30–7:00PM

NEW DATE!

PROGRAM AGENDA:

- 5:30 p.m. Registration & Buffet Dinner
- 6:00 p.m. **JENNIFER STEVENSON, DO**
Division Head, Henry Ford Fairlane Emergency Department
Henry Ford Medical Center, Dearborn
- 7:00 p.m. Adjourn

DISCLOSURE:

Hurley has implemented mechanisms to identify and mitigate conflicts of interest for all individuals in a position to control content of this activity. The speaker, planning committee, CME staff, and reviewers have no relevant financial relationships with ineligible companies to disclose.

REGISTRATION:

Click to register online <https://education.hurleymc.com/cme/calendar>
There is no tuition fee for this CME activity.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

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

- Recognize common emergent scenarios that require quick evaluation.
- Identify the pertinent history and physical exam findings that are essential to communicate to the receiving ED.
- Implement the supportive measures and treatments that can be provided, prior to EMS transfer.

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT:

Hurley Medical Center is accredited by the Michigan State Medical Society to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

DESIGNATION STATEMENT:

Hurley Medical Center designates this live activity for a maximum of 1 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

The target audience for this Live Course is Primary Care Physicians, Allied Health Professionals, and Residents



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3/4/2025

Important Update: MMR Vaccination Guidelines

We are deeply saddened by the recent death of a child in Texas due to measles, a disease that can be prevented through vaccination. This loss reminds us how important it is to protect our communities.

Texas is currently facing a measles outbreak with 146 confirmed cases as of February 28th. This situation is a stark reminder that measles is still a serious threat, even though it was thought to be eliminated in the U.S. in 2000.

Vaccines are our best defense against measles. The MMR vaccine, when given in two doses at the appropriate time, stops over 97% of measles infections. Our community is vulnerable, with an [81% MMR vaccination](#) rate which is significantly lower than recommended rate for community immunity. This makes it one of our most powerful tools to keep people healthy.

To help our healthcare teams respond to this situation, we are sharing an important update on vaccination guidelines. This information will help us better serve and protect our community during this challenging time.

MMR Vaccination Guidelines

Presumed Immunity and Vaccination Recommendations:

- Adults born before 1957 are generally presumed to have immunity to measles, mumps, and rubella.
- Healthcare workers should receive 2 doses of MMR vaccine.
- Certain medical conditions may require 2 doses of MMR as per CDC guidelines.
- The minimum spacing is 28 days.

Special Considerations:

- Adults vaccinated in the 1960s with an inactivated or unknown type of measles vaccine should receive at least one dose of MMR.

Current Childhood Immunization Schedule:

- One dose of the MMR vaccine is 93% protective against measles.
- There is currently no need to deviate from the current recommended childhood immunization schedule.
- Children can wait until age 4 for the second dose, especially given no evidence of transmission in our community.
- One dose will also help protect against severe disease if infected.

Early Vaccination for Infants:

- There is no need to start vaccination earlier than age 1 given the current state of the outbreak. We will notify you immediately if this recommendation changes.



- CDC recommends that infants >6 months and <12 years who are **traveling internationally** should receive a dose of MMR vaccine prior to travel.
- Given the current outbreak, we recommend this dose for infants **traveling** with their parents to **West Texas**.
- Any dose given before 12 months does **NOT** count toward the MMR series (0 dose).
- Children will still need two doses following the normal childhood immunizations schedule.

Contraindications:

MMR and other live vaccines should NOT be given to individuals with:

- Pregnancy
- HIV infection with CD4 count <15% or <200m
- Severe immunodeficiency (consult with healthcare provider)
- Certain immunosuppressant medications, including:
 - High-dose steroids (≥2 weeks of daily 20 mg or 2 mg/kg body weight of prednisone or equivalent)
 - Specific biologics (e.g., Humira)
 - Chemotherapy
- Recent receipt of antibody-containing blood products (within past 11 months)

Additional Resources:

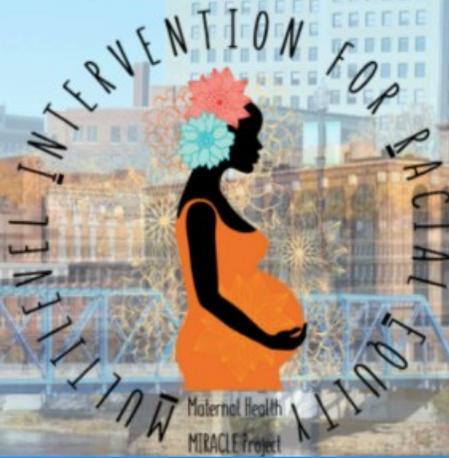
- [Measles, Mumps, and Rubella \(MMR\) Vaccination | CDC](#)
- [Measles Preparedness Toolkit](#)

We will continue to monitor the situation closely and provide updates as necessary. For comprehensive information on contraindications and precautions, please consult our [immunizations team](#) or refer to official [CDC guidelines](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michela Corsi'.

Michela Corsi, MD, MPH, MA
Medical Director, Genesee County Health Department



Addressing Maternal Mortality Disparities Workshop: What can you do?



Genesee County & Kent County

Who should attend?

Health care or social service providers who work with pregnant or postpartum women in Genesee or Kent County. These might include physicians, nurses, social workers, office managers, front desk staff, and WIC staff, among others.

Learning Objective:

Participants will better understand the sources and determinants of maternal health disparities and brainstorm ways they can tailor their practices and settings to better meet the needs of all pregnant and postpartum women.

Date **September 19, 2025**

Time **9:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**Future workshop is tentatively scheduled for 12/12/2025
Registration details for future workshops email
schallvi@msu.edu*

You must register prior to the workshop to join.

<https://msu.zoom.us/meeting/register/4-sS8AyXQwus3UxrKzUCZw#/registration>

After you register you will be emailed the zoom information to join the workshop.

Free workshop via zoom based on a CDC Center of Excellence program developed in Flint Michigan. There are only **three** sessions left; join us while there is still time!

Keynote Speakers

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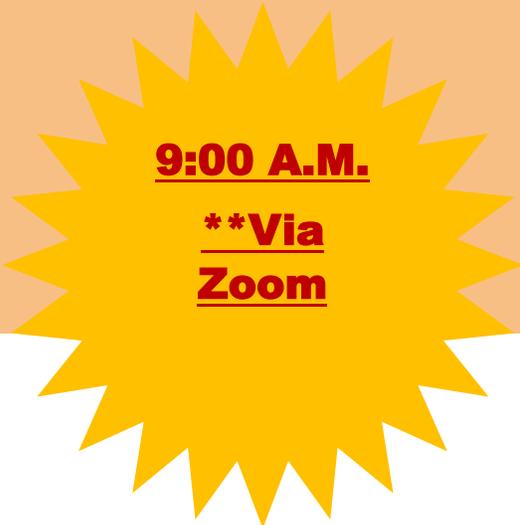
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<https://obgyn.msu.edu/42-reasearch/areas-of-reasearch/44-maternal-child-health>

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ATTENTION

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9:00 A.M.

****Via
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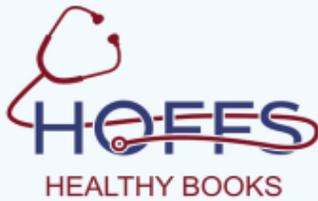
Health Care Providers Guide to In-Office
Testing and Prevention



GENESEE COUNTY
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- ◆ GCMS staff helped Genesee County residents with contacts, resources and explanations.
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**** A flyer of GCMS benefits can be provided to you.



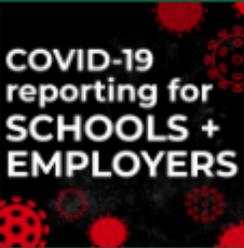
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For Daily Genesee County Covid-19 Numbers

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Data Dashboard for Genesee County](#)

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For Reporting



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Do you need to report a laboratory-confirmed positive COVID-19 case?

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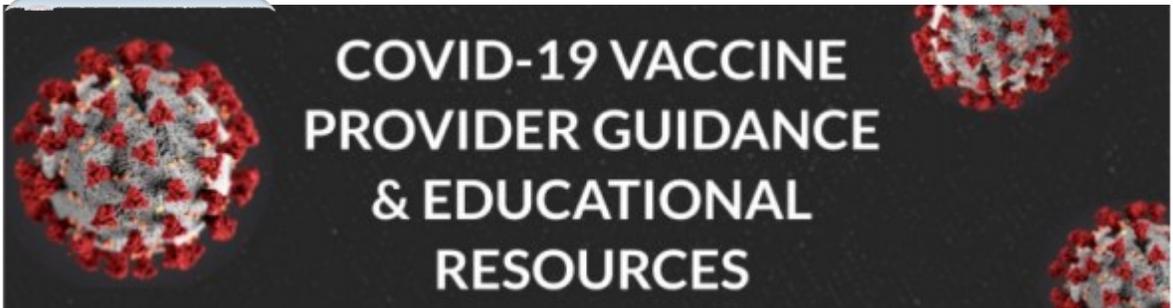
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For State of Michigan Covid-19 Information





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**COVID-19 VACCINE
PROVIDER GUIDANCE
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RESOURCES**

COVID-19 VACCINE

The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrates how diseases without vaccines can devastate economic and public health. Vaccines have reduced and, in some cases, eliminated many diseases. In the U.S., there is currently no approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19. MDHHS is working with the CDC and Michigan stakeholders to prepare and plan for when the vaccine is available. The initial draft of our state's plan is now available and will be updated often in the coming months. Visit regularly for the most recent information on the COVID-19 vaccine and Michigan's preparations.

COVID-19 VACCINE PLAN

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EXCITING NEWS

FROM THE MICHIGAN STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY...

The Michigan State Medical Society is excited to announce a significant enhancement to the benefits of membership. **Beginning December 2, 2024, the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) will offer FREE Continuing Medical Education (CME) to all active members***.

MSMS aims to support the professional development of all Michigan physicians and ensure access to the latest medical knowledge and practices. MSMS offers a diverse range of educational offerings to help physicians stay informed and compliant with all licensure requirements in an ever-evolving health care landscape. This new membership benefit provides **a value of more than \$8000**. MSMS invites you to deepen your impact and become engaged in the dynamic changes taking place in Michigan's medical landscape by becoming a member of MSMS.

Every physician in Michigan can make the most of this exciting new benefit by joining the Michigan State Medical Society today!

Call 517-336-5716

to enjoy the privileges of membership in the Michigan State Medical Society.

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Easy Ways to Donate to the Medical Society Foundation:

The Medical Society Foundation is engaged in a Capitol Campaign. The purpose of the Campaign is to grow the corpus to support the charitable activities of the Genesee County Medical Society. Those activities include public and community health, support for the underserved, and wellness initiatives.

To continue its good work, the Medical Society Foundation is asking you to consider leaving a legacy gift to the Foundation. If all, or even a significant portion of our membership left just a small part of our estates to the Foundation, the Foundation could continue helping this community in so many ways, by supporting the Medical Society.

To make a gift, simply use these words:

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While this is not a subject that is comfortable to broach, it is an opportunity to support the Foundation which supports the Medical Society's charitable activities on behalf of the membership. Please give. You can give via a trust or will. You can give from your IRA. You can give appreciated stock, and you can give cash. Please support the organization which does so much on behalf of the medical community and the patients we serve.



Don't Forget!
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MEDICAL SOCIETY FOUNDATION



Did you know that all donations made to the **Medical Society Foundation** are 100% Tax-deductible? If you are interested in donating, or if you have any further questions, please contact

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To support the needs of physicians and health care providers struggling with stress, burnout, and the effects of COVID-19, the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) and VITAL WorkLife have partnered to offer a comprehensive set of well being resources and confidential counseling services for their use, SafeHaven™.





Commit to Fit provides nutrition, physical activity, and healthy food access programming throughout Flint and Genesee County with a focus on disadvantaged communities and a commitment to forging strong relationships with community-based organizations (CBOs) and residents. Its nutrition education combines the SNAP-Ed Fork and the Road and The Learning Kitchen interventions with the Cooking with Kids program, which demonstrates to residents of all ages how to eat healthily on a budget, how to incorporate produce unique to Michigan into their diets, and how small changes in what they eat can make huge differences in their health.

Empowering Health in Genesee County

The power of partnership lies at the heart of the Greater Flint Health Coalition – a broad cross-sector collaboration between Flint and Genesee County’s leadership including public health, physicians, hospitals, health insurers, safety-net providers, businesses, education, community-based organizations, non-profits, government, policymakers, labor, media, and local residents.



GREATER FLINT
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Mainstreaming Addiction Treatment Act/Medication Access and Training Expansion Act and Corresponding State Modifications

June 21, 2023

To all controlled substance licensees:

Most practitioners are now aware that Congress has passed the Mainstreaming Addiction Treatment (MAT) Act that removed the federal "DATA 2000" or "DATA-Waiver Program," and the Medication Access and Training Expansion (MATE) Act that established a one-time training on substance use disorder for practitioners who prescribe controlled substances when they obtain or renew their Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration. In light of these changes, which are intended to educate practitioners and reduce barriers to obtaining medications for opioid use disorder (OUD) by eliminating burdens on providers who currently prescribe medications and new providers who wish to treat patients with OUD, the Bureau of Professional Licensing (BPL) would like to convey the following corresponding changes at the state level:

- The new DEA one-time 8-hour training requirement is effective June 27, 2023. Effective on this date, or the date on which the DEA requires the 8-hour training in the event the effective date is delayed, and until further notice, a practitioner required to attend a one-time opioid and controlled substances awareness training by the state's Controlled Substances Rules, may use the 8 hours of training that is accepted by the DEA for their controlled substances registration to also meet the state's required one-time training on opioids and other controlled substances awareness.
- In addition, R 338.3163 that limits prescribing, dispensing and administering a controlled substance to an individual with a substance use disorder will not be enforced by BPL until the rule is either modified or rescinded. This rule limited the circumstances under which a practitioner could treat an individual with substance use disorder, as well as the number of individuals that could be treated. All other laws and rules, both federal and state, must still be followed.

For more information about the elimination of the DATA-Waiver Program, and DEA's 8-hour substance disorder training, please refer to the following websites:

<https://www.samhsa.gov/medications-substance-use-disorders/removal-data-waiver-requirement>

https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/pubs/docs/MATE_training.html

! [MATE Training Letter Final.pdf \(usdoj.gov\)](#)

Questions may be sent to : BPLHelp@michigan.gov.

Thank you,

Bureau of Professional Licensing
Licensing Division

Obituary



Dr. Wayne Jay Breece
April 2, 1947 — August 5, 2025



BREECE, Dr. Wayne Jay - Age 78, of Linden, passed away Tuesday, August 5, 2025. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11:00 AM Wednesday, August 13, 2025 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Fenton (The Mass will be live streamed and can be viewed via Wayne's obituary page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com). Fr. Robert Copeland celebrant. Visitation will be held at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton Tuesday from 4-8 PM and at church Wednesday from 10 AM until the time of the Mass. A scripture service will be held at the funeral home Tuesday at 7 PM. The burial will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Wounded Warriors Project, St. Luke N.E.W. Life Center or Powers Catholic High School.

Wayne was born April 2, 1947 in Flint, the son of Burton and Donna (Strong) Proffer. He was a 1965 graduate of Flint Northwestern High School; he received his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Michigan Ann Arbor and his Doctorate Degree from Michigan State University. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving in the U.S. Army; where he received the honors of Purple Heart and Silver Star. He married Maryellen Megge September 26, 1980 in Detroit. Wayne had resided in Linden for the past 5 years coming from Flushing where he resided for 40 years.

Wayne was a cardiologist in Flint for 35 years, touching the lives of many with his warm bedside manner.

Wayne was an avid University of Michigan fan, enjoying many Saturdays at "The Big House". He often joked that he "bleeds blue". Wayne loved spending time at Torch Lake with family and friends, biking on Sanibel Island, and was an avid hunter.

Wayne was a man of integrity, kindness and generosity, and left a lasting impression on the lives of those who knew him.

He was greatly loved and will be deeply missed.

Surviving are: his wife of 44 years, Maryellen; daughter, Jillian (Robert) Mackey of Fenton; son, Christopher (Sarah) Breece of St. Augustine, FL; grandchildren, Madison, Charlotte, Noah, Vienna, Brielle and Rhen; siblings, David Breece of Grand Blanc, Bethany Hall of Davison, Chris Breece of Davison, Jeff (Michelle) Breece of Davison and Mike Breece of Millington; Several nieces and nephews.

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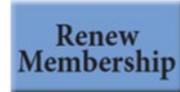


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- I am in my first year of practice post-residency.
- I am in my second year of practice post-residency.
- I am in my third year of practice post-residency.
- I have moved into Michigan; this is my first year practicing in the state.
- I work 20 hours or less per week.
- I am currently in active military duty.
- I am in full, active practice.
- I am a resident/fellow.

Male Female

First (legal) Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____ MD DO

Nickname or Preferred Form of Legal Name: _____ Maiden Name (if applicable) _____

Job Title: _____

W Phone _____ W Fax _____ H Phone _____ H Fax _____

Mobile: _____ Email Address _____

Office Address Preferred Mail Preferred Bill Preferred Mail and Bill

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Address Preferred Mail Preferred Bill Preferred Mail and Bill

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

*Please base my county medical society membership on the county of my (if addresses are in different counties): Office Address Home Address

*Birth Date: ____ / ____ / ____ Birth Country _____ MI Medical License #: _____ ME #: _____

Medical School _____ Graduation Year: _____ ECFMG # (if applicable) _____

Residency Program _____ Program Completion Year _____

Fellowship Program _____ Program Completion Year _____

Hospital Affiliation _____

• Primary Specialty _____ Board Certified: Yes No

• Secondary Specialty _____ Board Certified: Yes No

Marital Status: Single Married Divorced Spouse's First Name: _____ Spouse's Last Name: _____

Is your spouse a physician?: Yes No If yes, are they a member of MSMS?: Yes No

Within the last five years, have you been convicted of a felony crime?: Yes No If "yes," please provide full information: _____

Within the last five years, have you been the subject of any disciplinary action by any medical society or hospital staff?: Yes No

If "yes," please provide full information: _____

I agree to support the County Medical Society Constitution and Bylaws, the Michigan State Medical Society Constitution and Bylaws, and the Principles of Ethics of the American Medical Association as applied by the AMA and the MSMS Judicial Commission.

Signature _____ Date: _____

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