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Board of Directors Meetings

Waukesha CMS Board Meetings are open to all members.

Thursday, January 28, 2016

12:00-1:00 pm

Waukesha Family Practice Center

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WCMS: Driving Change

By: Nameeta Dookeran, MD and Keshni Ramnanan, MD

While change continues to affect the way we practice, the core foundation of medicine has not changed.

As physicians, we continue to sift through change, and the ways in which it positively and negatively impacts our pay, our practice, and our patients. Let your voice be heard amongst our ranks as we strive to take an active role in shaping the practice of medicine.

While we recognize the many challenges of practicing medicine today, we hope that as a member-driven organization we can provide you with hope for the future.

Waukesha CMS looks to its members to identify issues of importance. When members tell us what they value most, we do our best to pay attention.



Drs. Ramnanan and Dookeran present a Safe Saw grant award to teachers and students at New Berlin West Middle/High School on December 17th.

WCMS wants to remind you that you do not stand alone in being advocates for positive change. Be encouraged! On behalf of its members, WCMS has:

- Joined forces with the Wisconsin Medical Society and other organizations to address physician satisfaction and quality of care issues.
- Supported community initiatives through our Grant Program local charitable foundations.
- Developed opportunities for building of professional community, networking, mentorship, and education through member events.

WCMS relies on participation of its members, from residents to retirees. Do not be shy in speaking up! Join us! Participate!

[Contact us](#) with your ideas or with questions about how you can get more involved. Help us drive change while we keep sight of the values that drew us to medicine in the first place.

WCMS Dinner Program

HOPE Agenda: The Impact on your

Practice

Wisconsin's HOPE Agenda will impact the way physicians practice medicine. Join us in March for a WCMS dinner program to learn more.

Waukesha CMS Dinner Program

Wed. March 23, 2016

6:00-9:00 pm

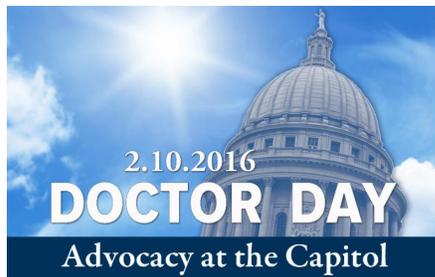
Marriott Milwaukee West, Waukesha, WI

This program will review the history and background of the HOPE Agenda, and provide attendees with an understanding of the key components of HOPE Agenda legislation. Presenters will discuss implications of the legislation to the clinical practice, as well as best practices for managing chronic pain in patients.

[Register today](#). More details are forthcoming. This event is complimentary to WCMS members.

DOCTOR DAY 2016 Registration is Open

Doctor Day is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2016, in Madison. Held annually, the event provides a unique opportunity for physicians to come together to advocate on behalf of patients and the medical profession.



In 2015, the event attracted notice from lawmakers and staff as the largest-ever gathering of physicians in the Capitol. Participants represented 20 different physician organizations

and partners.

Doctor Day 2016 will again feature presentations at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center prior to legislative visits at the State Capitol. Physicians will have an opportunity to learn and understand the issues, as well as to participate in small-group conversations with their legislators.

Wisconsin physicians are encouraged to visit the [Doctor Day website](#) and [register today](#) to be among 300+ physicians whose collective political visibility and presence can and will make a difference on issues affecting Wisconsin physicians, their practice environments, and their patients.

HOD Resolutions Due Feb. 1, 2016

The Wisconsin Medical Society's 2016 Annual House of

Delegates (HOD) Meeting will be held April 2-3 at the Monona Terrace Convention Center in Madison.

The House of Delegates is the Society's primary policymaking body and provides an opportunity for members to propose, consider, discuss and enact policies that will shape the Society's mission and its position on important matters of healthcare in Wisconsin and beyond.

Members may submit resolutions for consideration by the HOD during the Annual meeting. Any resolution received after the Feb. 1 deadline will be considered a "late resolution," unless it is presented by the Board of Directors, the Speaker, Vice Speaker, constitutional officer or by a council or committee of the Society or the HOD. View the [WMS website](#) for information and guidelines for drafting and submitting resolutions.

Other News

Walker Signs Interstate Medical Licensure Compact into Law

December 15, Wisconsin Health News

Gov. Scott Walker signed a bill into law Monday that enters the state into an interstate medical licensure compact, which could expedite the process for physicians to become licensed in multiple states.

Wisconsin is the 12th state to ratify the compact, joining Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois.

WCHQ Introduces New Performance Measures

December 7, Wisconsin Health News

The Wisconsin Collaborative for Healthcare Quality has released performance results for two new measures: adolescent immunization status and childhood immunization status.

They've also updated performance measures in the following areas:

- Adult tobacco use
- Chronic kidney disease: screening
- CKD care in stages I, II, III
- CKD care in stages IV and V
- Colorectal cancer screening
- Controlling high blood pressure: blood pressure control
- Diabetes care
- Ischemic vascular disease care
- Population focus

Interoperability: Are we there yet?

Electronic health record vendors, providers and others are making progress in exchanging patient data. But, obstacles

remain. What will it take to obtain true interoperability? Whose job is it to develop standards? And what's the role of government?

A panel of experts will address these questions and more during a Wisconsin Health News briefing, Tuesday, Jan. 19 at the Madison Club. [Learn more and register.](#)