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Seeking business development strategies for your practice?

SCMA is pleased to launch a collaborative network designed to provide professional development opportunities and solutions to challenges that come with managing an independent practice. The NEW Practice Managers Forum offers a wide array of activities and access to information covering issues and areas of common interest. See here to learn more.

:: Save the date!

Mark your calendar for SCMA’s 32nd annual Awards Dinner on Tuesday, Dec. 6. Details to follow.

:: November ballot measures webinar

Don’t miss CMA’s Sept. 28 webinar “How Your Vote Can Increase Access to Care.” Scheduled for 12:15 to 1:15 p.m., this important webinar will present an overview of the 2016 ballot initiative campaigns in which CMA is involved, with a focus on their impact on patient access to care and the state of health care in California. The event will be hosted by Janis Norman, CMA’s senior VP for government relations and political operations, who will also briefly review other initiatives CMA has taken a position on. Click here to register.

:: MBC seeking expert physician reviewers

The Medical Board of California is seeking physicians to serve as expert reviewers to assist the board by providing reviews and opinions on cases, and conducting professional competency exams, physical exams, and psychiatric exams. Reviewers are needed in the following specialties: Addiction Medicine (with additional certification in Family, Internal Medicine, or Psychiatry), Colon and Rectal Surgery, Dermatology, Family Medicine, Neurological Surgery, Neurology, Ob/Gyn, and Pathology.

Interested physicians can find more information regarding the Expert Reviewer Program online or by calling MBC at 818-551-2129.

:: SCMA applicants

Welcome, new SCMA/CMA members!

Santa Rosa Family Medicine Residency - 3569 Round Barn Circle, Santa Rosa
Tierney Allen, MD, Family Medicine, Eastern Virginia Med Sch 2016
Elizabeth Bedolla, MD, Family Medicine, Univ Washington 2016
Brandon Cortez, MD, Family Medicine, UC San Diego 2016
William Elder Jr., MD, Family Medicine, Wright State Univ 2016
Martin Escandon, MD, Family Medicine, UC San Francisco 2016
Rihannon Liu, MD, Family Medicine, Johns Hopkins Univ 2016
Dorothy Marshall, MD, Family Medicine, Univ Miami 2015
Brendan Payne, MD, Family Medicine, Univ North Carolina 2016
Courtney Stewart, MD, Family Medicine, Univ Rochester 2016
Jojo Stewart, MD, Family Medicine, Univ Rochester 2016
Eric Wilson, MD, Family Medicine, Univ Iowa 2016
Danielle Wilsniowski, MD, Family Medicine, Tulane Univ 2016

TPMG - 401 Bicentennial Way, Santa Rosa
Damian Bello, MD, Family Medicine*, Tufts Univ 1999
Erwin Jinho Choi, MD, Family Medicine*, New York Coll Osteo Med 2010
Anisa Durand, MD, Pediatrics*, UC Davis 2012
Shyam Gowerdhana, MD, Family Medicine*, St. George’s Univ 2009
Christopher George, MD, Occupational Medicine, Temple Univ 2011
Stephen Gregorius, MD, Orthopaedic Surgery*, Loma Linda Univ 2006
Shazneen Hashmendy, DO, Obstetrics & Gynecology, New York Coll Osteo Med 2012
Lisa Montgomery, MD, Family Medicine*, Texas Tech Univ 2013
Shawn Quinlan, MD, Obstetrics & Gynecology, UC Los Angeles 2012
Mahal Raval, MD, Internal Medicine*, Sri Siddhartha Med Coll 1996
Song Shin, MD, Psychiatry*, Seoul Natl Univ 1997
PEOPLE

The California Medical Association Foundation has selected Peter Breton, MD, to receive its 2016 Adarsh S. Mahal, MD Access to Health Care and Disparities Award. This award honors a physician who has shown extraordinary interest and demonstrated efforts leading to a significant contribution toward improving access to health care or reducing disparities in health care in California, consistent with the mission of the CMA Foundation. The award will be presented on Saturday, Oct. 15, at the CMAF President’s Awards Gala at the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento.

The Eye Care Institute is proud to announce that Kristin Chapman, MD, has joined the practice. Dr. Chapman graduated from New York University School of Medicine in 2011. She completed her ophthalmology residency at Weill Cornell Medical Center in New York City and glaucoma specialty fellowship at Moran Eye Center in Salt Lake City. She is currently accepting new patients for comprehensive eye care and glaucoma consultation, and has applied for SCMA-CMA membership.

PRACTICE RESOURCES & CME

Nov. 10, Latino Health Forum in Santa Rosa
The 24th annual conference will focus on “Racism & Discrimination: Impacts on Health.” CME units are offered to registered nurses and social workers; students and interns are invited to apply for registration scholarships. Sponsorship and exhibitor opportunities are still available for local organizations. Early bird tickets available in late September! For more information, contact Lindee Magana at latinohealthforum@gmail.com or see www.latinhealthforum.org.

ICD CodeLink Databases

CMA Practice Management Tip of the Month
"Make the most of appeals by knowing your rights" is the September topic. Click here to see the tip sheet. This monthly publication is a great reminder for practice managers and physicians about CMA benefits and services.

CLASSIFIEDS

PA for Santa Rosa ortho surgeon
Single Orthopedic Surgeon looking for Physician Assistant. Busy practice, no ER call or hospital rounding. PA is responsible for surgery assisting and patient care. Experienced and new grads with ortho rotations preferred. Please send CV with cover letter to Denise at shouldordo@chicagomd.com.

Northern California, Napa
Independent Medical Group is seeking qualified candidates to staff its minor emergency department. Candidates include: nurse practitioner Emergency Physicians, Family Practice Physicians, Urgent Care Physicians or Emergency Department Nurse Practitioners. If interested, forward CV to Tony Mottale, MD, at mottale@gmail.com.

Medical weight loss practice / fall in love with practicing medicine again

I am 100% committed to assisting the new owner with all the support necessary to ensure a smooth transition. Please contact me for more information or to schedule a visit. Gail Altschuler, MD, 415-309-6298 or drgail@marineweightloss.com.

Free classifieds for SCMA members!
SCMA members can place free classified ads in News Briefs or Sonoma Medicine. Cost for nonmember physicians and the general public is $1 per word. To place a classified ad, contact Susan Gunuleck at susan@scma.com or 707-525-0102.

ABOUT SCMA

The Sonoma County Medical Association, a 501(c)(6) nonprofit association, supports local physicians and their efforts to enhance the health of the community. Founded in 1858, SCMA is affiliated with the California Medical Association and the American Medical Association.