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Medical Education in Nevada: a Team Approach

By Jeffrey Roth, M.D.
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Member Since 2003

It is no surprise that Nevada, and moreover Las Vegas, needs more physicians. We are near the bottom of physician to patient ratios and would need to add thousands of new physicians just to get to the 50th percentile. Recruitment of physicians can be problematic, as some see Las Vegas as the party destination it is portrayed as in the movies—they do not see the schools, community, and cultural offerings such as the Smith Center or Nevada Ballet Theatre that many of us have fallen in love with as residents of this great city. There are few places better to move one’s family and practice medicine—though reimbursement rates continue to be an issue, opportunity abounds.

One way to address this shortage of physicians is to grow our own, as typically 50% of medical students and 75% of residents will stay where they trained. This year we celebrate 50 years of this vision, commemorating the founding of the University of Nevada School of Medicine (UNSOM). Organized medicine and community leaders worked with governmental representatives to make this happen, and over the years this has given thousands of Nevadans the opportunity to study medicine, become physicians, and care for patients.

With the tremendous growth of Las Vegas, it became apparent that significant amounts of patients were to be found in the south. UNSOM partnered with University Medical Center (UMC) to garner a wide breadth of experience. For example, when I was attending UNSOM, our Ob/Gyn and surgical rotations were in Las Vegas. The surgical rotation is always challenging, and this challenge was exacerbated as the medical student housing near UMC went away. Often medical students would just trade sleeping in each other’s apartments through the rotation, depending what city they were in that week.

UNSOM served the entire state, including the rural counties. Most medical students remember fondly their rural rotation, and often the 4th year medical student was put in charge of the ER at night in such places as Ely, Winnemucca, Elko, etc. It really gave you the sense that you were the doctor, even though you had back-up—you also learned how helpful nurses can be.

Las Vegas continued to grow, and there was room for additional medical education institutions. Touro University came to Henderson and continues to grow exponentially. It was later decided that UNLV would have its own medical school, and that it would use UMC as its clinical base. UNLV’s inaugural class now has finished their second year and are studying for their board exams. Roseman University is awaiting its accreditation, so soon we will have three medical schools in Las Vegas.
Las Vegas. Local hospital systems such as the Sunrise System and Valley Health System are now expanding their Graduate Medical Education (GME) programs, and UNSOM has now rebranded itself UNRSOM.

These entities are working with community physicians, as the full-time academic physicians continue their excellent clinical, research, and instructional work. Community physicians help to augment and broaden that experience for the trainee.

There has never been a “town vs. gown” mentality that you may see in other cities. When speaking with many of the community physicians, they may have been a little hesitant to help at first, but often they will say that it is one of the best things that they do. They will say that they see the sense of wonder that we all had when entering medicine in the eyes of their young, enthusiastic trainees. It reminds them of why they became a doctor in the first place. I fondly remember traveling with a general surgeon in his Buick to do cases at the hospital in Yerington. It was surreal, as each patient seemed to have a baked good for the surgeon. More real was that he asked me surgical questions during the time in the car—3 hours in total. Although painful at the time, it helped tremendously for my oral exam at the end of the rotation.

Students and residents want to learn. Recently CCMS offered a “Stop the Bleed” course, and we received 70 RSVP’s from medical students within the first 48 hours. We are asked frequently to find a physician to give a lecture on a particular subject, and CCMS has been working the medical students and residents to meet and casually talk with physicians at social mixer events. At our Resident Job Fair each year, the residents hear lectures about the business of medicine, and are able to meet potential employers. In addition, CCMS and NSMA are working with our legislators to secure adequate funding for medical education and GME programs.

If you are not able to teach or interact with medical students and residents, please consider contributing to the CCMS Scholarship Fund. It is a separate 501(c)(3) charitable organization that is tax deductible—to put the importance of this fund into perspective, thirty years ago I received this scholarship, and it made it possible for me to attend in-state medical school and fulfill my dream of becoming a doctor. Tuition has increased five-fold since then, and the grants have not kept up with the times.

Opportunity for medical education abounds. Our medical institutions continue to grow, acquire more renowned instructors, do spectacular research, and serve our community. At CCMS, we intend to continue to facilitate strengthening our medical institutions and bridging the gap between medical student and practicing physician.

Please do what you can. You will feel better for it, and together, we will have a brighter future.

Jeffrey J. Roth, M.D.
President
Clark County Medical Society

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

March 30th is National Doctors Day!

By Alexandra P. Silver | Executive Director
Clark County Medical Society

Did you know there is a National Doctor's Day? Yes, it's for real and in the United States, it is a holiday which is celebrated annually on March 30th. National Doctor's Day honors physicians for the work they do for their patients, their communities, and society as a whole. On National Doctors Day, we say “thank you” to our physicians for all that they do for us and our loved ones.

Healthcare today is more complex than ever. Even with more advancements, tools and information at their fingertips, doctors have an overwhelming job to diagnose and treat their patients, not to mention industry and legislative challenges affecting the way they practice medicine. This is the day to honor the men and women who care for us and our families 365 days a year.

The first observance of Doctors Day was held in Winder, Georgia on March 30, 1933. Dr. Charles B. Almond’s wife, Eudora Brown Almond, wanted to have a day to honor physicians. The first Doctors Day was acknowledged by mailing greeting cards and flowers. Often, red carnations were used and to this day are still the flower for National Doctors Day. These flowers were symbolically placed on the graves of deceased doctors. In 1991, 58 years later, National Doctors Day was proclaimed by President George W. Bush.

We here at the Clark County Medical Society are grateful for all you do, day in and day out. It is our job to ensure your rights are protected and you have the opportunity to build your professional community to be strong and vibrant and ensure the next generation of physicians have the rights and opportunities you had. On March 30 and every day, we salute you and your efforts to ensure the health of our community.

As the month progresses you will see our efforts to spread the word on National Physician Day, and we hope you will join us sharing this message. We encourage you to share on your websites, post signage in your office and promote via your social media channels. We will be asking the public and our partners to take the time to thank our local physicians.

This past month, we have much to be thank you for. Thank you to those who spent the day with us in Carson City for NV Physician’s Day at the Legislature, and to those who made it to the town hall we co-sponsored with the Las Vegas Medical District. More to come on that in next month’s issue!

If you haven't already signed up for the CCMS “Wear the White Coat” adult mini-internship, please do so ASAP—your involvement helps business and community leaders experience a “day-in-the-life” of a practicing physician enabling them to make business and legislative decision with you in mind. Help us build a bridge and show our communities business and advocacy leaders what it really means to be a doctor and care for your community. Applications can be found on page 21.

Last but not least, if you really want to thank a doctor, then make plans to join the Clark County Medical Society on Saturday, June 1st at our Installation Dinner and Awards Ceremony when we thank Dr. Jeffrey Roth for his tremendous service and leadership over the past year as CCMS President, welcome our incoming president Dr. Daniel Burkhead, and bestow the highest honor on Dr. George Alexander as this year 2019 Feikes Award winner. Sponsorships, Tables, tickets and program/tribute journal ads are available. You won't want to miss this special event. See page

Happy National Physicians Day and as always, with gratitude and respect,

Alexandra P. Silver
Executive Director
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CCMS BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

A synopsis of the February 19th Board of Trustees Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Roth at 6:08 p.m.

**Introduction:** Dr. Roth welcomed Dr. Wolfgang Giliar, Dean of Touro University Nevada College of Osteopathic Medicine to Las Vegas and the Clark County Medical Society Board of Trustees.

**Action Items:**

The Minutes from the January 15, 2019 meeting were reviewed.

Motion to approve the January 15, 2019 minutes (M/S Bassewitz/McHale - Approved)

**Financial Report: by Dr. Kuhls (written report submitted with verbal additions)**

Written Report:

Profit & Loss Budget Performance (Page 1)

Income Highlights (Round numbers)

- 3310 Dues from active members - $34,400, YTD $149,022 YTD budget is $167,960. We have received $54,356 which will be reflected in February financials, which will bring us to $201,672 and our total budget is $230,000 for the year.

- 3312 Dues from new members - $860.00, YTD $4,890, Annual budget is $8,000

- 3335 Newsletter Advertising - $10,830, YTD $4,890, Annual budget is $8,000

- 3345 Rental Income - $1,450, YTD $6,830, Annual budget is $6,500

- 3365 Pictorial Directory Ad Sales - $0, YTD $12,555, Annual budget is $12,500

- 3435 Installation Dinner Income - $0, YTD $2,000, YTD budget is $90,000

- 3451 General membership events income - $0, YTD $7,850, Annual budget is $17,800

- 3465 Mini-Internship Income - $0, YTD $1,000, YTD budget is $3,000.00

***Total Income this month is $48,912, YTD $211,317, YTD budget is $274,901. Annual budget is $502,100

Expense Highlights (Round numbers)

- 4000 Operating expenses - $17,764, YTD $118,037, YTD budget is $163,858

- 4200 General Office Expenses - $1,625, YTD $14,982, YTD budget is $16,870

- 4300 Meeting/Events - $802, YTD $16,728, YTD budget is $28,450

- 4350 Newsletter & Directory - $1,825, YTD $12,555, YTD budget is $23,500

- 4400 Adv/Legal/Accounting - $0, YTD $4,510.42, YTD budget is $5,249.94

- 5399 Other Building Expense - $0, YTD $13,205.30, YTD budget is $5,249.94

***Total expenses this month were $25,367, YTD $209,392, YTD budget is $266,582

NET INCOME: +$23,545, YTD +$1,925, YTD budget is +$8,319

2. Annual Budget (Page 5)

3. Balance Sheet (Page 6-7)

Total Current (liquid) Assets are $320,973 compared to $247,613 last year

Total Assets are $968,466 compared to $919,346 last year

New-Accounts Receivable Aging Summary (Page 8-9)

Verbal Additions:

- Areas of concern include Magazine & Directory Advertising, as well as Membership Events income.

- Dr. Kuhls will work on projecting the year-end numbers for the next BOT meeting.

- Expenses are significantly below budget, largely due to staffing.

- Dr. Jameson congratulated Dr. Kuhls on an extremely detailed financial report.

Motion to approve the January Financial Report (M/S Burkhead/Adashek* - Approved)

**Applicants to go before the BOT:**


Medical Students: Nicholas Stevens (TUNCOM), Neha Rau (TUNCOM)

Motion to approve the February Member Applicants (M/S Hunt/Burkhead - Approved)

**Medical School Reports:**

**UNLV School of Medicine: by Dr. Feikes**

- Geriatrics Hire – Dr. Ashley Sarasan, who completed a fellowship in geriatrics at the Mayo Clinic, has joined us as an Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine. Dr. Sarasan, who speaks seven languages and has clinical interests in Alzheimer's and end of life care, will help grow the Geriatrics program – which will include the first Geriatrics fellowship in Southern Nevada.

- LCME Visit – The UNLV School of Medicine is preparing for an important LCME visit. The Liaison Committee for Medical Education will visit the school February 24th-27th. We are hoping to receive Provisional Accreditation.

- Dean Barbara Atkinson - traveled to Carson City Jan 24th to speak to the Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau. The Dean joined UNLV leaders to brief legislators on their respective budget proposals.
The Las Vegas India Chamber of Commerce - generously presented the UNLV School of Medicine with $10,000 for student scholarships. A portion of the funds were raised during a fashion show that featured five of our medical students modeling traditional Indian wear.

The Clark County Medical Society Alliance also has generously pledged scholarship funding to the UNLV School of Medicine.

Roseman University: by Dr. Hunt (verbal report)
Roseman University is having a grand opening at their Spring Valley office on Thursday, February 28 with a second location to be announced at a later date.

Touro University: by Dr. Gilliar (verbal report)
- Thank you to CCMS for the warm welcome!
- Dr. Gilliar is excited to bring his experience from the New York Institute of Technology to Southern Nevada.
- Touro had the first results of their osteopathic residency placement with approximately 23.5% of students going with osteopathic match, and the remainders going for the NRMP match.
- The majority of students in the osteopathic match were placed.
- 4 students received orthopedics placements.
- On March 11 Touro will find out which students have been placed.
- March 10 is the Touro Gala, Dr. Gilliar thanked CCMS for supporting the event with the purchase of a table.
- On March 8 Touro will have an accreditation visit.
- Dr. Gilliar has requested assistance with tracking the growth of physicians in the state of Nevada to show the impact of the medical school in increasing the number of physicians, noting that Nevada is now ranked #8 in retaining medical students as residents.
- Dr. Kuhls noted that Dr. Packham at UNR conducts a survey of all graduating residents, and suggested that Dr. Gilliar reach out to ensure that data from Touro is being captured in that survey.
- Dr. Alexander recommended Dr. Mitchell Forman, who also has done research into the resident retention.
- Touro recently hosted an event with the IDC.

SNHD: by Dr. Iser (written report submitted with verbal additions)
Written Report:
- Influenza Update – Influenza surveillance for Clark County, Nevada includes data collected from local acute care hospitals and other health care providers. During week 5 (Jan. 27-Feb. 2), influenza activity increased nationally and remained elevated at the local level. In Nevada, the geographic spread of influenza was widespread, but influenza-like illness activity (ILI) was low. In Clark County, 423 influenza-associated hospitalizations have been reported, with 59 percent being people 50 years of age or older. There have been 13 influenza-associated deaths reported, including one death of a child in the 0-4 age group. The proportion of emergency room and urgent care clinic visits for ILI was 6.1 percent in week 5 which was slightly higher than week 4 (5.6 percent). Approximately 63 percent of area emergency room and urgent care clinic visits for ILI were made by children under 18 years of age. Influenza A was the dominant type circulating. The Southern Nevada Health District will continue to update the public on the flu season and encourage people to get vaccinated. Health District influenza surveillance updates are available at www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/news-info/statistics-surveillance-reports/influenza-surveillance/.
- Move Your Way – The Health District’s Office of Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) hosted a free 5k Run/Walk and 1-Mile Family Fun Walk on Saturday, Feb 9 to promote the department’s updated physical activity guidelines for children and adults and to launch its new Move Your Way campaign and website. The event was held in North Las Vegas at Craig Ranch Regional Park. More than 250 people participated in the event including North Las Vegas Mayor John Lee, Councilman and Southern Nevada District Board of Health Vice Chair Scott Black, representatives from the WNBA’s Las Vegas Aces, and many more community partners. The 2nd edition of the DHHS Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans includes physical activity recommendations as well as new information about additional benefits related to brain health and fall-related injuries; immediate and longer-term health benefits for how people feel, function, and sleep; risks of sedentary behavior; guidance for preschool children between the ages of 3 and 5; and tested strategies that can be used to get people to be more active. In 2019, the Health District continues to challenge everyone to become more physically active. The Move Your Way program has planners to help people stay on track to attain better fitness, and the Health District offers additional programs and resources on its website: www.GetHealthyClarkCounty.org.
- Slam Dunk Health Challenge – The Health District, the Clark County School District (CCSD), and the WNBA’s Las Vegas Aces are launching a new program called the Slam Dunk Health Challenge to encourage students to eat healthy and participate in physical activity. The Challenge is open to all CCSD first- through fifth-grade classrooms. Students in participating classrooms will earn points each day for eating fruits and vegetables and being physically active. The program includes resources for teachers including lesson plans, activities, and weekly video segments featuring Las Vegas Aces players and Coach Bill Laimbeer urging students to eat healthy, stay active, and track their progress. Winning classrooms will receive tickets to attend a Las Vegas Aces home game. The Southern Nevada Health District and the Las Vegas Aces are excited to partner on a program that can help to establish healthy habits in young people’s lives.
- Measles – The Health District released an update urging the
public to ensure they and their children are appropriately immunized in the wake of the measles outbreak and public health emergency declaration in Washington state. In 2018, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported 17 outbreaks of measles in the United States, and the Health District reported a confirmed case of measles in a patient with a history of international travel. People are considered protected from measles if they have at least one of the following:

- Written documentation of adequate vaccination.
- One or more doses of a measles-containing vaccine administered on or after the first birthday for preschool-aged children and adults who are not at-risk. Two doses of measles-containing vaccine for school-aged children and adults at high-risk, including college students, health care personnel, and international travelers.
- Laboratory confirmation that they had measles at some point during their life.
- Laboratory confirmation that they are immune to measles.
- They were born before 1957.
- The Health District’s Immunization Clinics provide the MMR and additional childhood vaccines. For more information call (702) 759-0850.

American Heart Month – February is American Heart Month, and the Health District is encouraging Southern Nevadans to work with their health care providers to learn about their heart disease risk factors and the ABCS of heart disease. The ABCS of heart disease risk management – Aspirin therapy as directed, Blood pressure control, lower Cholesterol levels, and quitting Smoking – are steps to lower heart disease risks. By implementing changes to diet, increasing physical activity, and quitting smoking, most people can reduce some of their risk factors. The Health District’s Get Healthy Clark County website’s Million Hearts page offers tools to put the ABCS into action. Information and resources are also available on the Spanish-language website Viva Saludable. The Health District’s Office of Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion is continuing its Barbershop Health Outreach Project focusing on African American men by providing blood pressure screenings, education, and resources to clients at six local barbershops. Barbershop clients who have elevated or high blood pressure, who are uninsured, or who have no primary care provider are provided with additional resources to ensure they receive follow-up health care services. For more information about the Barbershop Health Outreach Project and a schedule of screenings, visit the Manage Your Risk/Heart Disease section of the Get Healthy Clark County website.

National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day – The Health District commemorated National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day by offering free Express Testing for HIV, syphilis, gonorrhea, and chlamydia at its Sexual Health Clinic on Feb. 7, 2019. The Health District and community partners also participated in the annual Day of Wellness event on Saturday, Feb. 9 at the Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza in Lorenzi Park, offering HIV testing, additional health screenings, and services. This year’s National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day theme was “Together for Love, Stop HIV Stigma.” The African American community continues to be disproportionately impacted by HIV/AIDS. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), in 2017 African Americans accounted for 43 percent of HIV diagnoses in the United States; more than half of those were among gay or bisexual men. In addition, 47 percent of people who received an AIDS diagnosis in 2016 were African American. Additional information can be found at the CDC’s HIV Among African Americans page.

Verbal Additions:

- March will be the 6-month anniversary of primary care at the health district.
- There is a new access-point grant for a new community health center FQAC, benefits would include malpractice coverage and enhanced reimbursement for Medicaid.
- The Nevada Assembly is reviewing changes to the Public Health Improvement Fund.
- A bill has been proposed to make reportable some information on chronic diseases from laboratories to track trends over time.
- A tax equity bill will be proposed for vape devices to have them taxed at the same rate as cigarettes.
- A bill will be proposed that makes it illegal to sell tobacco products to individuals under 21 years old.

CCMS Alliance: (written report submitted with verbal additions by Estela Hansen)

Written Report:

- February Luncheon is our Scholarship Luncheon and we will be giving 14 nursing scholarships, make donations to Touro University and UNLV School of Medicine.
- We are grateful for the support and donations from this board and to Dr. Jameson for matching the funds for the Holiday Scholarship Project.
- Team Alliance participated in RAD 5K walk for Autism
- Our Alliance members in the fashion show committees are working tirelessly with the final touches for our Annual Fashion Show Luncheon on March 19 at the Four Seasons Hotel. We look forward to seeing those of you that are planning to attend.

Verbal Additions:

- The Alliance thanked Dr. Jameson for matching the donation from members of the BOT.
- CCMSA is giving 9 scholarships to students from UNLV School of Nursing, and 5 to students from the Nevada State College of Nursing.
- Since 1976 the CCMSA endowment had been funding one medical student from UNR, as of this fall the endowment will be funding one medical student from UNLV School of Medicine and one medical student from Touro.
AMA: by Dr. Jameson (written report submitted)

- In lieu of the current legislative sessions, this report will be centered around legislative matters that are ongoing and AMA policies/news that coincide with these matters.
- E-Prescribing - E-Prescribing has been a hot topic for the AMA for the last couple of years. At the 2018 Annual meeting the AMA announced in electronic prescribing policy number D-120.972 that, “our AMA will (a) ask the drug enforcement administration to accelerate the promo regulation of digital certificate standards for direct electronic transmission of controlled substance prescriptions to support the patient safety goals and other governmental initiatives; and (b) urge Congress to work toward unifying state prescription standards and standard vocabularies to facilitate adoption of electronic prescribing. Our AMA will study current E-prescribing processes and make recommendations to improve these processes to make them as safe as possible for patients and as efficient as possible for prescribers. Our AMA will support national efforts to amend federal law and federal Drug Enforcement Administration regulations to allow for the E-prescribing of a medication, including a controlled substance, needed by patient with a mental or behavioral health diagnosis when a valid patient physician relationship is established for telemedicine in accordance with state law and accepted standards of care. Currently the Nevada State Medical Association opposes mandates without appropriate exemptions and flexibility to ensure that physicians practices can modernize without penalty. NSMA expects to see introduced proposals that will mandate that all prescriptions to be transmitted electronically by 2021.
- Firearms - On January 8, 2019 H.R.8, Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019, was introduced to the House of Representative. This bill will require that a background check be conducted for every firearm sale. The AMA is in favor of this bill and the author of the bill, U.S. Rep. Mike Thompson, D, California, stated at the AMA National Advocacy Conference last month that, “physicians have helped build this coalition” and he also mentioned how he “can’t tell you [physicians] how helpful your support is. You’ve been fabulous”. Thompson is asking that every U.S. Senator hear from “every doc, and every doc’s family, and every doc’s friend, and every doc’s assistant” to raise the heat on the issue of background checks. On February 13 the House Judiciary Committee voted 23-15 to pass the bill. The bill needs 218 votes to pass the House of Representative and currently has 232 co-sponsors.

NSBME: by Dr. Havins (verbal report)

- The NSBME will have a meeting March 1, it is an open meeting in Reno available via video conference.
- The Board of Pharmacy is looking at a bill to adopt sanctions on specific licensees from all 6 boards and then assessing their own consequences based on those decisions.

NSBOM: by Dr. Hedger (written report submitted)

- As of 02/08/19, the Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine has the following number of licensees for 2019 (July- June): Total=1768; Current breakdown is as follows: Doctors of Osteopath (DOs): 1,237; Active Physician Assistants (PAs) 112; Special Licenses: 256; Other Special: 3; Inactive DOs: 95; Active Not Working PAs: 40; Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Licenses: 28.
- Complaint statistics as of 02/08/19: Number of New Complaints for 2019: 14; Current open complaints from 2018 to present: 37; Dismissed Complaints: 17; Letters of Caution/Concern (including those without formal complaints): 11; New Settlement Agreements: 0; and, Fulfilled Settlement Agreements: 0.

Committee Reports:

Building Committee: by Dr. Alexander & Dr. Adashek (written report submitted with verbal additions)

Written Report:

- During Construction of the new CCMS building, the original fencing was stolen from the property. CCMS collected insurance on the loss at $7,000.
- Since the incident, CCMS has collected several proposals to replace the fencing all the way to over $70k.
- In light of the recent burglary at CCMS, it is more imperative than ever that the CCMS replace the fencing and add a gate to ensure the security. Safety of the employees, tenants and guests and property.
- CCMS Building committee recommends after careful consideration the CCMS Board of Trustees vote to approve the All-Star Fencing Bid to replace the fencing and add a solar power gate since currently there is no electricity out there. Bid is attached to this report.

Verbal Additions:

- The building committee is moving forward on new security measures after the New Year’s Eve burglary.
- These improvements include rekeying the doors, a new fence and automated solar gate.
- The BOT recommended adding a line item to the budget for maintenance costs for the new fence.

Motion to approve the installation of a new fence and rolling solar gate with keypad at a cost of $37,500 (M/S Burkhead/Adashek – Approved)

Bylaws Committee: by Dr. McHale (verbal report)

- The Bylaws Committee is looking at changing the language around associate memberships to match NSMA, as well as applying discounts and voting rights of that membership category.
- The Installation Planning Committee will be added to the proposed bylaws revisions.
- The Bylaws Committee is hearing discussion on whether or not to combine the existing Credentials Committee into the Membership Committee to streamline the process for
recruiting potential members.

- The Bylaws Committee will focus on finalizing the proposed changes for the final ballot mailing in April, with proposed changes available to the membership posted to the website.

**CHPR & Subcommittees: by Dr. Hunt (written report submitted)**

Written Report:

- Physician Education Subcommittee - The CHPR Committee is planning a CME event for April titled: “Disclosure: When an Unanticipated Even Occurs” sponsored by MedPro Group. The course focuses on risk-reduction and communication strategies when disclosing unanticipated events to patients and families. The CHPR Committee is also planning a CME event in June updating the membership on changes to the Opioid Law during the legislative session.

- Mini Internship Subcommittee - The WWC Adult Internship will take place March 4-14, with the recognition dinner at Spiedini Ristorante March 14. The Physician Volunteer application is included in the BOT Packet, please volunteer for this important program. There is still time to get adult interns into this program, so please consider volunteering any professional contacts you have who are business leaders or community stakeholders.

- Speaker’s Bureau - The Speaker’s Bureau has gotten 8 interested physicians and 1 medical student from the recent Needs Assessment Survey. Next steps will include personal invites to committee level members, delegates, and Board of Trustees members, then a media training seminar.

- Communications Updates - The 2019 Needs Assessment Survey received 22 responses. Highlights include:
  
  Q: Which aspect(s) of your membership do you find most valuable?
  1. Networking with other medical professionals
  2. Free CME Events
  3. Representation at local and state government

  Q: Which Member Benefits did you use in 2018?
  1. Went to free CME event
  2. ProAssurance malpractice discount
  3. Patient Referrals

  Q: What CME topics would you like to see in 2019?
  1. Opioids & AB474
  2. Legalized Marijuana Update
  3. Health Care Legislation Update

- Winged Heart Awards - Nominations for the 2019 Winged Heart Awards are OPEN.

- CCMS Website - Updates to the website include:
  - Membership section added with information on joining and renewing membership, as well as a list of MBA benefits and Corporate Partners.
  - CCMS Past Presidents page added.
  - Harold Lee Feikes, MD Memorial Awardees page added.
  - Installation, WWC Adult Internship, NV Physician’s Day at Legislature, Winged Heart Awards pages added.
  - CCMSA Fashion Show event link added.

**Resident/Fellow and Medical Student Subcommittee: (written report submitted by Claire Chen with verbal additions by Dr. Wint)**

Written Report:

- Mentorship program
  - Claire to present powerpoint, program outline to CHPR for approval on 02/13/19
  - Touro/UNLV social mixer - CCMS to contact additional venues, Claire to vet dates for additional post UNLV STEP 1 dates. Resident/Fellow and Medical Students to create mixer objectives list.

NMSA Delegates: positions filled!

- Delegate: Matt Eisenberg
- Stand in: Savannah Spataro

Board member, committee chair election process

- CCMS has disseminated a draft of position applications
- Resident/Fellow and Medical Students to give reactions in coming meetings

**Verbal Additions:**

- The committee has changed its name to the Resident/Fellow and Medical Student Subcommittee to align with the current bylaws.
- The committee has grown to 14 members.
- Claire Chen is presenting the outline for a new mentorship program to the CHPR Committee at their meeting on Thursday, February 21.
- The RFMS Committee has selected two student delegates for the NSMA Annual Meeting, Matthew Eisenberg from UNLVSoM as Student Delegate and Savannah Spataro from TUNCOM as the Alternate Student Delegate.
- The Touro/UNLV Mixer is still in its planning stages as the committee looks to secure a date that works for the students’ schedules.

**MedPAC/Government Affairs Committee: by Dr. Lehrner (written report submitted with verbal additions)**

Written Report:

- The bi-annual Nevada Legislative Session started February 4, 2019 and will run through early June 2019. Our legislature only meets every other year for 6 months. We expect several major issues to surface, which have the potential to significantly affect you and your patients.

- Two of the issues are malpractice reform and “surprise” billing. The trial lawyers each session seek to weaken the malpractice reforms we fought so hard to obtain about 10 years ago. Maintaining the malpractice law is one of the major priorities of CCMS and NSMA. “Surprise” billing is the term legislators are using to describe huge out-of-network bills patients receive usually after visiting an emergency room. Everyone agrees that something needs to be done to prevent people from facing financial ruin after making a trip to seek medical care. Either because the person is not familiar with their provider network or they are taken by ambulance to the nearest ER in a life-threatening emergency, they have the potential to face huge bills. Some of the solutions being
proposed have the potential to hand insurance companies greatly enhanced power to set our fee schedules at rates that might not be economically viable. We will work with all interested parties to find a mutually beneficial solution to this complex problem.

- During the legislative session, the GAC will work closely with the NSMA Legislative Core Group, which has a weekly conference call to discuss legislative activity and how we can influence the pending bills. I will write a summary of the calls and distribute to the CCMS Government Affairs Committee Members.

Verbal Report:
The NSMA Legislative Core Group meeting for Monday 2/25/19 is canceled as members of NSMA and CCMS travel to Carson City for Physician’s Day at the Legislature.

Membership Committee: (written report submitted by Dr. Reeves with verbal additions by Sarina Rohrig)
Written Report:
- Active Engagement with Nellis AFB and VA Health System
- Bylaw committee reviewing membership type and military membership rate for BOT consideration
- Meeting with HCPNV is scheduled March 1st
- Even though renewals went out a month late starting 10/1/18, renewals with active CCMS Membership and Engagement Coordinator, NSMA, and CCMS BOT very successful 2019 Renewal to reflect: Renewals-CCMS $194,205.00 January 2019 is one month ahead in revenue compared to January 2018 $157,305 (actual), January 2017 $123,870
- As of January 2019, New Members for this fiscal year reflects $5,480 compared to January 2018 that was $780

Verbal Additions:
- 8 more members have renewed as of a recent report from NSMA.
- There is an upcoming meeting with HealthCare Partners’ leadership, Dr. Reeves would like to take a stack of County Line Magazines.

Nominating Committee: by Dr. Adashek (verbal report)
The 2019-20 Slate of Candidates is as follows:
- President-elect: Deborah Kuhls, MD
- Secretary: Nick Fiore, MD
- Treasurer: Staci McHale, MD
- Delegate Chair: Larry Lehrner, MD
- Trustees: Eric Brimhall MD, H.L. Greenberg MD, Thomas Hunt MD, Mark Penn MD, Julio Garcia MD, Derek Meeks DO
- Nominating Committee: Andrew Eisen MD, Jeffrey Roth MD, Mark Penn MD, Eva Littman MD
- There is one open Trustee position that will be reviewed and filled by the March BOT Meeting.

NSMA Report: by Dr. Roth (verbal report)
- Cat has had two meetings with Assemblyman Sprinkle, and is continuing to work with the Perkin’s Group to advance our legislative efforts.
- Dr. Roth encouraged the BOT and membership to fill out the questionnaires regarding e-prescribing.
- Members are encouraged to contact their legislators in order to make sure physician's voices are heard during the legislative session.
- Nevada Physician’s Day at the Legislature is on February 25, members are encouraged to attend.

Scholarship Fund: by Dr. Roth (verbal report)
The Scholarship Fund is continuing to work with their financial planner, with a meeting to be conducted soon.

Installation Planning Committee: by Dr. Burkhead (verbal report)
- The 2019 Installation Dinner and Awards Ceremony will be held at the Bellagio.
- The sponsorship packages have been expanded to a new category to accommodate companies who are unable to purchase tables at the event but are able to have an exhibitor's booth.
- Dr. Burkhead asked that members of the BOT become more involved in the Installation Planning Committee to ensure that the event is a success for years to come, Dr. Kuhls and Dr. Reeves have volunteered to help.

President’s Report: by Dr. Roth (verbal report)
- Dr. Roth attended the IDC event for first responders at Touro University.
- Members of CCMS attended the WCMS Installation Dinner in January.
- Dr. Roth encouraged members of the BOT to participate in the NV Physician’s Day at the Legislature on February 25, Cat will be sending out talking points for attending members.

Executive Director’s Report: by Alexandra Silver (written report submitted)
Written Report:
- CCMS Staff Update: We are in the middle of the search for a new Executive Assistant/Office Manager. In person interviews to be taking place this week and next. Looking to a first week of March as start date.
- We are in the process of evaluating Bookkeeping companies who are experienced and bonded to outsource this important function of CCMS.
- Update on IRS Fine: I was able to get the IRS to waive the $10,000 late fee for the 2017 990. We have set in place controls to ensure CCMS is not at risk again.
- Membership Renewals are still going on, if members are not paid in full by February 28, they are officially lapsed and will lose membership benefits; if you have not renewed your dues please do so. We can show how to do so today and can take credit cards or checks at the BOT meetings. This is also, a great opportunity to ask your colleagues, partners and referrals to join CCMS/NSMA today to. The more the merrier. Deadline
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- Nomination Committee was hard at work the past few months, thank you to the committee and Dr. Adashek who chaired nominating committee this year.
- Bylaws Committee was hard at work the past few months, thank you to the committee and Dr. McHale who chaired the bylaws committee this year.
- The Building Committee co-chaired by Dr. Adashek and Dr. Alexander have been engaged and working hard to oversee current building issues and the fencing issues. Thank you to them and the committee for your efforts.
- Burglary Update: Police do not have suspects at this time. Replacement of stolen items is underway.
- The CCMS Staff Team had a productive and open conversation with our current senior leadership, President, Dr. Roth and President Elect Dr. Burkhead. The opportunity for the staff to share their experiences with you and to hear your feedback and thoughts helps ensure open communication, high staff morale and ultimately a more stable and successful workforce to ensure the future of the society. Thank you for your time and generosity to both of you.
- We are currently seeking new MBA’s, Sponsors and advertisers. Please let us know if your practice, your vendors or any contacts or friends you think might be interested in reaching our membership.
- Installation Dinner Plans are underway. We have sold our first table and we need your help to make the 65th Installation Dinner the best and most lucrative yet. Please sell or fill a table. If every Board member should be a table captain and sponsor/purchase or fill a table. If we all pitch in, we will make a significant impact on the success of our event and budget. Sponsorships are available and we are seeking auction items to benefit our scholarship fund. Thank you to Dr. Burkhead and his wife Lisa for really jumping in and assisting in a hands-on manner. Your participation at this level will help to ensure the success of this important event.
- We are in need of Docs to participate in the adult mini internship – March 4-14th…please mark your calendars. And fill out forms at CCMS BOT meeting.
- Please RSVP to meetings, events and indicate if you will be attending in person or via call in so the staff can be effective and efficient and prepare print materials accordingly and be good stewards of not wasting dollars or food.
- Note: ALL BOT reports are due the Thursday prior to the BOT meeting at 3pm. Please send them via email in a PDF format in time to be sent with the packet so ALL BOT members have ample time to review these documents
- If you are not following us and engaging with CCMS you should be. We are on Facebook, twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn. Please take 2 minutes and follow CCMS on all social media outlets. Please follow us personally and have your practices do the same.
- Vendor quotes are coming in for Presidents Stone and donor tile wall
- Please note: Josh and Alex will be in Carson City on February 25h for Physicians Day at the legislature

**Old Business:**

During the January BOT meeting, there was not a motion made to approve the member applicant(s) that were presented before the Board.
- Physicians: Wonchon Lin, MD
- Students: Christopher Cornell (TUNCOM)

**Motion to approve member applicants** (M/S Hunt/Bassewitz – Approved)

- Please remember to RSVP to committee and BOT meetings to ensure there is an appropriate amount of food.
- Dr. Roth and Dr. Burkhead had a meeting with staff to discuss needs for the upcoming fiscal year.

**Future Board of Trustees Meeting – March 13, 2019 6p.m.**

Adjournment: 7:46 p.m.
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The CCMSA Board of Directors deeply thanks those who generously supported our Holiday Scholarship Project that awarded scholarships to outstanding nursing and medical school students in Southern Nevada. Our February Luncheon is our Scholarship luncheon and we had the pleasure of meeting some of the students that were chosen to receive a scholarship.

This year we were able to give nine scholarships to nursing students from the University of Nevada Las Vegas and five scholarships to nursing students from Nevada State College. While we continue to reach out to College of Southern Nevada, we did not receive applications this year. We were able to give to continue to fund scholarships to deserving students at TOURO University and continued to fund the CCMSA endowment. For a long time the endowment was awarding scholarships to deserving medical school students at the University of Nevada Reno. We are proud that for the first time, this coming fall, the recipients of the interest from the CCMSA endowment will be going to a deserving student from UNLV School of Medicine.

We are working on the final touches for our 18th Annual Fashion Show Luncheon scheduled for March 19, 2019 at the Four Seasons Hotel. We would like to take this opportunity to thank many of you for supporting us with this year’s cause: Autism Syndrome Disorder (ASD). We hope many of you will be joining us and visit our website at ccmsa-lv.org to get your tickets.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CCMS & NSMA

March 4-14
Wear the White Coat Adult Internship

March 6
CCMS Resident/Fellow and Medical Student Committee
5:30 p.m. | CCMS Office

March 11
NSMA Legislative Core Group Meeting
6:00 p.m. | Las Vegas & Reno

March 12
Membership Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m. | CCMS Office

March 13
Community Health & Public Relations Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m. | Las Vegas & Reno

March 14
Wear the White Coat Adult Internship Recognition Dinner
6:00 p.m. | Spiedini Ristorante

March 18
NSMA Legislative Core Group Meeting
6:00 p.m. | Las Vegas & Reno

March 18
CCMS Past President’s Council Meeting
6:00 p.m.

March 19
CCMS Board of Trustees Meeting
6:00 p.m. | CCMS Office

March 20
NSMA Public Health Commission Meeting
6:00 p.m. | Las Vegas & Reno

March 25
NSMA Legislative Core Group Meeting
6:00 p.m. | Las Vegas & Reno

March 27
NSMA Council Meeting
6:00 p.m. | Las Vegas & Reno

March 28
NSMA Internal Affairs Commission Meeting
6:00 p.m. | Las Vegas & Reno

March 30
National Doctor’s Day

April 3
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CCMS Office

For a full list of upcoming CCMS Events and committee meetings, go to www.clarkcountymedical.org/calendar
CCMS MEMBER NEWS

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NEW STUDENT MEMBERS:

Christopher Cornell
Touro University
Class of 2021

Neha Rau
Touro University
Class of 2022

Nicholas Stevens
Touro University
Class of 2022
This year, we recognize World TB Day on March 24. It is a day to educate the public about the impact of the disease and to share the progress that has been made to prevent and control TB in our community.

At the end of 2018, there had been 59 new cases of active TB reported in Clark County. Many more people have latent TB infection, and without treatment they are at risk of developing the disease in the future. Elimination of TB will require a comprehensive approach by the Southern Nevada Health District and its health care partners that includes testing and treatment of high-risk populations and a robust program to treat active cases.

The theme of World TB Day 2019 is “It’s Time.” It is designed to capture the elements needed to eliminate TB as a global threat. Campaign components include:

- It’s Time to test and treat latent TB infection.
- According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, up to 13 million people in the United States have latent TB infection. People with latent TB must be identified and treated to prevent progression of the disease.
- It’s Time to strengthen TB education and awareness among health care providers.
- Public health and private health care providers play a vital role in identifying new cases of active TB in patients and those with latent TB infection. However, misdiagnosis of TB still occurs, and health care professionals must “think TB.” There is a strong need for TB education and outreach for health care providers and community organizations, especially those serving at-risk populations.
- It’s Time to speak up.
- In 2018, the United Nations General Assembly held the first-ever High Level Meeting on ending TB at the global level. The CDC is committed to increasing efforts to test and treat people with latent TB infection. The Health District has a comprehensive program in place to identify both active and latent cases of TB through its surveillance and clinical services activities.
- It’s Time to end stigma.
- Stigma associated with TB disease may prevent people from learning their status, seeking care, or follow-up treatment. Increased education and outreach are critical to helping the public better understand the disease.

The Health District’s TB Treatment and Control Clinic staff members work with community partners to provide coordinated treatment and services to patients in Clark County that includes:

- Case management services for all clients with TB. Services include education, treatment, and directly observed therapy.
- Contact investigations for new active cases of TB. This includes identification, testing, and treatment of people who have had close contact with the patient.
- Education about TB treatment and control guidelines. Health District staff members provide free TB education to health care professionals, correctional facility personnel, and the public. Information on training is available on the Health District website at www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/clinic/tuberculosis-treatment-control-clinic/tuberculosis-education-for-health-care-professionals/.
- Evaluation of new Class B immigrants who need TB care and follow-up. The Health District is responsible for evaluating abnormal chest x-rays of Class B immigrants in Clark County. As a condition of immigration, Class B immigrants must immediately check in with the TB Treatment and Control Clinic upon arrival in Clark County. Class B immigrants with abnormal chest x-rays cannot work until they are cleared by the Health District. A person who is found to have TB is required to follow TB treatment guidelines until completed and they test negative for disease.

It is also important to note the CDC recently made a significant update to its testing instructions for all immigration and citizenship applicants. The new instructions require that all applicants 2 years of age and older who are seeing a Civil Surgeon for immigration or status change purposes must have an IGRA (QFT or T-Spot), as well as a chest x-ray, and a referral to the health department. More information is available on the CDC website at www.cdc.gov/immigrantrefugeehealth/exams/ti/civil/tuberculosis-civil-technical-instructions.html.

For more information on the Health District’s TB Treatment and Control Clinic go to www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/clinic/tuberculosis-treatment-control-clinic/.
In addition to his responsibilities at the clinic, Dr. Lasky also provides consultative services to medical staff at Summerlin Hospital, University Medical Center and Sunrise Hospital for patients with bleeding and clotting disorders.

Most bleeding and clotting disorders can be traced to a family history of the disease. However, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in as many as one-third of cases, the affected baby may be the first one in the family affected with the gene mutation.

Patients in need of treatment for their bleeding or clotting disorders are encouraged to call (702) 732-1493 to make an appointment with Dr. Lasky and the Bleeding and Clotting Disorders Clinic team.

The Bleeding and Clotting Disorders Clinic also offers comprehensive clinics on a regular basis for non-urgent medical check-ups. This allows patients to be seen by a range of medical professionals during the appointment, including physician, nurse, social worker, physical therapist and pain management specialist. This provides a true picture of a patient's overall health.

Cure 4 The Kids Foundation is proud to announce the promotion of Joseph L. Lasky III, M.D. to director of the Foundation's Bleeding and Clotting Disorders Clinic.

As director, Dr. Lasky will oversee all aspects of medical treatment for those affected by a wide range of bleeding and clotting disorders, including hemophilia and von Willebrand disease.

Dr. Lasky joined Cure 4 The Kids Foundation in 2017, after leaving his position at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center in Torrance, California. Lasky is board-certified in both Pediatrics and Pediatric Hematology-Oncology. Since 2009, Dr. Lasky has served as principal investigator for a number of clinical trials and participated in other research activities aimed at improving treatments for those affected by bleeding and clotting disorders. In his new position, Dr. Lasky will continue to encourage patients — when appropriate — to participate in these important studies. “In recent years, clinical trials have given us a better understanding of bleeding and clotting systems, which has led to improved and more targeted therapies with fewer side effects,” said Joseph L. Lasky III, M.D. “As a physician deeply involved in this specialized area of medicine, it’s been fulfilling to see these advancements and to watch young children with this chronic disorder grow up to be successful in pursuing their dreams and goals,” he said.

Clinical studies have also been responsible for longer acting factor products which allow some patients to infuse weekly rather than daily, thereby reducing the amount of medication they may need.

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You may choose to participate in more than one committee. We solicit active participation from committee members to achieve the most success in shaping the CCMS. Committee assignments begin in September and end in June 30th of the following year. Please provide a first and second choice of the committee that you are most interested in and email to membership@clarkcountymedical.org.

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CCMS Standing Committees:

☐ Board of Trustees (Elected Position Only) – CCMS at 702.739.9989
☐ Building Committee
☐ Bylaws, Policies & Procedures Committee
☐ Community Health & Public Relations Committee (CHPR)

    Sub-Committees under CHPR:
    ☐ Mini-Internship
    ☐ Speakers Bureau
    ☐ Winged Heart Awards
    ☐ Resident/Student Outreach
    ☐ Continuing Medical Education
☐ Credentials Committee
☐ Ethics & Grievances Committee
☐ Government Affairs Committee
☐ Internal Affairs Committee
☐ Membership/Credentials Committee
☐ CCMS Delegate: Participate in the Nevada State Medical Association Annual Meeting

If you have any questions about the purpose and obligations of any committee please contact the Clark County Medical Society at 702-739-9989 | membership@clarkcountymedical.org
The "Wear the White Coat" Internship program is held once a year to give individuals an opportunity to observe the practice of medicine by shadowing a practicing physician. Our goal is to offer insight into the professional life of physicians and to expand perspectives on health care issues between the medical community and community leaders. Interns and physicians join together at a recognition dinner on the final evening to share their experiences. The knowledge and awareness gained from this exchange, gives business leaders, legislators and media personnel a valuable resource to rely on when reporting and/or making decision(s) on healthcare.

**Recognition Dinner Thursday, March 14 at Spiedini Ristorante**

Join fellow physicians and interns to share stories from the program over a delicious meal.

*The 2018 Adult Interns and physicians*
**“Wear the White Coat” Internship Program**

**PHYSICIAN**

March 4 – March 14, 2019

Applications must be returned to communications@clarkcountymedical.org by February 20, 2019

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**Recognition Dinner Thursday, March 14 | Spiedini Ristorante at the JW Marriott**

6:00 pm Registration | 6:30 pm Dinner & Program

221 N Rampart Blvd | Las Vegas, NV 89145

Will you be attending the Recognition Dinner?

☐ Yes, I will be attending the recognition dinner  ☐ No, I am unable to attend the recognition dinner

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Southern Nevada Health District, Clark County School District, and the Las Vegas Aces team up for Slam Dunk Health Challenge

Program encourages children to eat healthier and move more

The Southern Nevada Health District, the Clark County School District (CCSD), and the WNBA’s Las Vegas Aces are launching a new program called the Slam Dunk Health Challenge to encourage students to eat healthy and participate in physical activity. The Slam Dunk Health Challenge kicks off in February.

The Challenge is open to all CCSD first- through fifth-grade classrooms. Students in participating classrooms earn points each day for eating fruits and vegetables and being physically active. The Challenge encourages grade-school children to learn about healthy food and participate in physical activity every day. The program includes resources for teachers including lesson plans and activities and weekly video segments featuring Las Vegas Aces players and Coach Bill Laimbeer urging students to eat healthy, stay active, and track their progress.

“We are very excited to be partnering with the Las Vegas Aces and the Clark County School District,” said Dr. Joe Iser, Southern Nevada Health District Chief Health Officer. “Students participating in the Slam Dunk Health Challenge will be learning and establishing healthy habits that we hope they will carry into adulthood.”

Desert Springs Hospital Named Among America’s 100 Best for Coronary Intervention

Desert Springs Hospital is one of America’s 100 Best Hospitals for coronary intervention, according to a national study by Healthgrades, the leading online resource for comprehensive information about physicians and hospitals. Every year, Healthgrades evaluates hospital performance at almost 4,500 hospitals nationwide for 32 of the most common inpatient procedures and conditions using all-payer data provided by 15 states and the District of Columbia.*

This specialty award is based upon coronary interventional procedures (angioplasty/stent), and the average of in-hospital mortality and in-hospital + 30-day mortality z-scores based on MedPAR data. The in-hospital +30 day mortality outcome accounts for 60 percent of the weight and in-hospital mortality accounts for 40 percent.

The achievement is part of the findings released in the Healthgrades 2019 Report to the Nation. The new report demonstrates how clinical performance differs dramatically between hospitals nationally, regionally and at the local level, and the impact that this variation has on health outcomes.

For the 2019 Report to the Nation, Healthgrades compared Specialty Excellence Award Recipients as a group, to all other hospitals, as a group, and found from 2015-2017, patients treated at hospitals receiving the America’s 100 Best Hospitals for Coronary Intervention Award have, on average 46.0% lower risk of dying than if they were treated in hospitals that did not receive the award. Also, patients treated at hospitals which did not receive the America’s 100 Best Hospitals for Coronary Intervention Award are, on average 1.85 times more likely to die than if they were treated at hospitals that did receive the award.*

“We are very proud of the team effort it took to achieve this award,” said Ryan Jensen, CEO/Managing Director of Desert Springs Hospital. “This underscores our ongoing commitment to the rapid diagnosis, intervention, treatment and follow-up care of all cardiac patients, particularly those experiencing a heart attack and benefiting from balloon angioplasty and stent placement.”

Added Sanjay Malhotra, MD, medical director of the cardiac catheterization lab for Desert Springs Hospital, “This award is a testimony of the commitment of the staff and physicians consistently striving to improve outcomes. We would like to thank our patients from the bottom of our hearts to have the opportunity to help heal yours.”

“Hospitals that have achieved the Healthgrades America’s 100 Best Hospitals for coronary intervention have proven their dedication to quality care and exceptional outcomes,” said Brad Bowman, MD, Chief Medical Officer at Healthgrades. “Consumers should consider hospital quality when navigating their care journeys, and this recognition distinguishes Desert Springs Hospital in the marketplace.”

Desert Springs Hospital, located near the famous Las Vegas Strip, specializes in emergency care, advanced cardiovascular care and cardiac wraparound services such as weight-loss surgery, advanced wound healing and hyperbaric medicine, outpatient cardiac rehabilitation and diabetes education and wellness.
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The bi-annual Nevada Legislative session started February 4, 2019 and will run thru early June. Our Legislature only meets every other year for 6 months. We expect several major issues to surface which have the potential to significantly affect you and your patients.

Two of the issues are malpractice reform and “surprise” billing. The trial lawyers each session seek to weaken the malpractice reforms we fought so hard to obtain about 10 years ago. Maintaining the malpractice law is one of the major priorities of CCMS and NSMA.

“Surprise” billing is the term Legislators are using to describe huge old of network bills patients receive usually after visiting an emergency room. Everyone agrees that something needs to be done to prevent people from facing financial ruin after making a trip to seek medical care. Either because the person is not familiar with their provider network or they are taken by ambulance to the nearest ER in a life-threatening emergency, they have the potential to face huge bills.

Some of the solutions being proposed have the potential to hand insurance companies greatly enhanced power to set our fee schedules at rates that that might not be economically viable. We will work with all interested parties to find a mutually beneficial solution to this complex problem.

During the Legislative session, the GAC will work closely with the NSMA Legislative Core Group which has a weekly conference call to discuss legislative activity and how we can influence the pending bills.

I will write a summary of the calls and distribute to the CCSM Government Affairs Committee members. We always need members on the GAC so if you would like to join and help advance your profession, please let me know and I will add you to the committee.

If issues arise during the Legislative session which require our input, I will hold conference calls.

Larry Lehrner, M.D.
Member since 2011
Three steps to implement a diabetes prevention strategy for your patients

Patients at risk for type 2 diabetes may head down a path that’s difficult for them to navigate in the future. However, a systematic process for diabetes prevention can help patients take control of and improve their health.

The National Diabetes Prevention Program lifestyle change program (National DPP lifestyle change program) has been proven to help patients delay or prevent type 2 diabetes. Over the past few years, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the American Medical Association (AMA), and healthcare organizations across the nation have worked together to bring National DPP lifestyle change programs to patients.

The following three steps can help you identify patients with prediabetes and refer them to a National Diabetes Prevention Program lifestyle change program.

**Step 1: Identify patients with prediabetes**
Patients who would benefit from a laboratory test for prediabetes can be identified before their office visit. You can have patients complete a prediabetes risk test and/or arrange for testing to occur before a scheduled appointment. For patients who have had a recent laboratory test, you can use your electronic health record (EHR) to identify those who meet the diagnostic criteria for prediabetes. The three laboratory tests used to diagnose prediabetes are the hemoglobin A1C, the fasting plasma glucose and the oral glucose tolerance test. The diagnostic ranges for normal glucose, prediabetes and type 2 diabetes are noted in the figure below:

There are 3 standard test options to identify prediabetes.

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Once patients with prediabetes have been identified, patients should be informed of their diagnosis and this diagnosis should be documented in their chart. You can use the ICD10 code R73.03 to document prediabetes.

**Step 2: Provide patients with evidence-based treatment**
The next step is to ensure patients with prediabetes receive evidence-based treatment to reduce their risk of developing type 2 diabetes. The most effective treatment option for patients is lifestyle change, and this can be achieved through participation in the National DPP lifestyle change program.

This structured and intensive year-long program is led by a trained coach that gives participants the knowledge and skills to make healthy lifestyle changes. Individuals participate in group sessions that take place on a weekly basis for the first six months of the program and then transition into a maintenance phase, which consists of monthly sessions. The curriculum is comprehensive and includes topics on healthy diet and physical activity, as well as sessions that focus on stress management and behavioral strategies to make lasting change. The CDC provides oversight of the National DPP lifestyle change program and maintains standards for program sites to receive approval and recognition. Contact information for all CDC-recognized organizations that deliver evidence-based type 2 diabetes prevention programs in communities across the United States is available through a national registry maintained by the CDC.

**Step 3: Monitor and follow-up**
If you refer patients to a National DPP lifestyle change program, it is recommended that you monitor their progress and follow-up on their outcomes to help support them. A process should be established with the provider of the National DPP lifestyle change program to share regular updates about participation and achievement of goals for patients in the program. It is recommended that communication occur at designated points during the program, such as 4, 9 and 16 weeks and at the time of completion. This will also allow you to arrange any appropriate follow-up visits or repeat laboratory testing for patients.

By using these three steps, you can help your patients reduce their risk of developing type 2 diabetes and make them aware of the National DPP lifestyle change program. As a result, you empower your patients to improve their health and provide them with the skills and strategies to make long-term healthy lifestyle changes.

For more information, consult the Prevent Diabetes STAT toolkit, which includes patient identification/management protocols, referral templates and patient awareness materials.
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