CME EVENT

Eleventh Hour Education Event

May 17, 2014, 7:00 am
Crowne Plaza Hotel
801 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick RI 02886

The Rhode Island Medical Society has organized your opportunity to obtain required Continuing Medical Education (CME) on Saturday, May 17, 2014.

The required topics to be covered are Pain Management and Risk Management, while we will also cover important education on a non-required topic.

The Rhode Island Department of Health states that “unless you were in training or became Board Certified or Re-Certified within the past two years, (physicians) need to complete 40 hours of Continuing Medical Education (CME) during each two-year license cycle. The current license renewal cycle requires that you obtain and submit your credits no later than June 1, 2014. At least two hours of this education must be related to one of the following topics:

- Risk management
- Opioid pain management/chronic pain management
- End of life/palliative care
- Ethics”

Registration

Program and Registration form

The program agenda and registration details for this event can also be found at www.rimed.org. RIMS members may log onto the Member Portal to register or complete the form and return as noted. If you are not a RIMS member but would like to join, please complete the online membership application. The member rate will be offered to applicants upon receipt of your membership application.

Please email Megan E. Turcotte with questions, or call 401-331-3207.

NOTICE

The Rhode Island Medical Society no longer endorses the collection agency IC System and is currently seeking a high-quality, professional collection agency that will provide superior service to RIMS members at favorable rates.
Working for You: RIMS advocacy activities

April 1
Physician Health Committee, Herbert Rakatansky, MD, Chair
Meeting with chain drug stores regarding pharmacists performing limited CLIA test
Meeting with other lobbyists on political matters
Legislative hearings, State House
Representative Kazarian and Senator Crowley Fundraisers

April 2
DOH hearing, medical records regulations; Peter Evangelista, MD, attending
Legislative hearings, State House
Senator Pichardo fundraiser

April 3
Attended meeting, University of RI, US Attorney, DEA, Brown, URI Planning Committee for June 7 CME event
RI Public Health Association Gun Violence Day, State House
Legislative hearings, State House; Drs. Alyn Adrain, Richard Terek, and Phillip Lucas testifying
Senator Nesselbush fundraiser, Dr. Adrain attending

April 4
HealthRIright meeting regarding health care cost-containment legislation

April 7
Senator Whitehouse meeting with coalition to transform advanced care, at BCBSRI
Meeting with Drs. Rakatansky, Hollmann, Adrain, Mssrs. Warde and DeToy to discuss draft changes to the Code of Medical Ethics proposed by AMA’s Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs
RIMS Council Meeting

April 8
Health Source RI’s Expert Advisory Committee
Legislative hearings, State House
Senator Goldin Fundraiser

April 9
BMLD
Workers Comp Advisory Council
YMCA Day at General Assembly
(AMA and YUSA have formed a strategic partnership)

Litigation Center Executive Committee conference call, Newell Warde chairing
Legislative hearings, State House; Drs. Siddiqui, Arron, and Griffin testifying

April 10
Mental Health and Addiction Services Coalition Meeting at the Drug and Alcohol Treatment Association of RI offices
Meeting with Governor’s Policy Staff regarding health care legislation
Health Services Council
Meeting with new House Finance chair, Radiology and Orthopedic Societies, to discuss provider tax repeal legislation,
Legislative hearings, State House; Peter Evangelista, MD, testifying
Senate HHS Chair Josh Miller Fundraiser, Dr. Migliore and RIMS staff attending

April 11
Meeting on RI Medical Journal, RIMS Staff and Journal Staff

April 12
Celebration of the new Stanley M. Aronson Chair at Butler Hospital, installation of its first occupant, RI Medical Journal Editor-in-Chief, Joseph H. Friedman, MD

April 14
Meeting with BCBSRI staff to discuss support for RIMS Physician Health Program
Meeting with RI Quality Institute, update on CurrentCare status
Conference call with AMA Advocacy Resource Center to discuss release and rollout of 2014 Economic Impact Study,

April 15
Meeting with Sen. Miller, Rep. Bennett, Pat Recupero, MD, and others to discuss mental health legislation
Legislative hearings, State House

April 16
Sen. Whitehouse meeting regarding RI health care system, Department of Health, attending were: Lt. Gov. Roberts, BCBSRI, UHC, Lifespan, Care NE, Director of the Dept. of Health, Health Insurance Commissioner, Coastal Medical, RI Primary Care, Brown University, Alpert Medical School, RI Quality Institute, and South County Hospital

Legislative hearings, State House; Drs. Terek, Blazar, Paletta, Banki, Brousseau, and Sweeney testifying
New House Majority Leader DeSimone fundraiser, Dr. Migliore and RIMS staff attending
Gubernatorial candidate Gina Raimondo fundraiser, sponsored by multiple physicians and other providers; Drs. Migliore and Karczmar, RIMS staff attending
Board of Directors Meeting, RIMS Insurance Brokerage Corporation, Peter A. Hollmann, MD, President

April 17
Meeting with Lt. Governor to discuss Sen. Whitehouse meeting and other topics
Health Care Reform Executive Committee
Health Services Council, Drs. Lange, Solomon, and Hollinshead attending
Legislative hearings, State House
Meet with RI Society of Anesthesiologists and CRNAs to discuss legislation

April 23
Reach Out and Read RI/Providence Community Health Centers event for RI’s First Lady, Stephanie Chafee

April 24
Interview with reporter for national trade magazine regarding UnitedHealthcare
Drs. Jones, Karczmar and RIMS staff meet with representatives of Primum Healthcare, LLC, regarding virtual ACO, RIMS Nominating Committee meeting, Drs. Jones, Karczmar, Adrain, Bubly, Siedlecki, Settipane and staff

April 25
Meet with Lt. Governor’s staff regarding health care legislation

April 28
Tobacco-Free RI Coalition conference call

April 29
Legislative hearings, State House

April 30
Senator Ottiano and RIMS staff hosting medical students at the State House, Legislative hearings, State House
Rep. Corvese fundraiser, Dr. Migliore and Mr. DeToy attending
Why You Should Join the Rhode Island Medical Society

The Rhode Island Medical Society delivers valuable member benefits that help physicians, residents, medical students, physician-assistants, and retired practitioners every single day. As a member, you can take an active role in shaping a better health care future.

RIMS offers discounts for group membership, spouses, military, and those beginning their practices. Medical students can join for free.

**APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP ONLINE**

**RIMS MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS INCLUDE:**

- **Career management resources**
  - Insurance, medical banking, document shredding, and independent practice association

- **Powerful advocacy at every level**
  - Advantages include representation, advocacy, leadership opportunities, and referrals

- **Complimentary subscriptions**
  - Publications include Rhode Island Medical Journal, Rhode Island Medical News, annual Directory of Members; RIMS members have library privileges at Brown University

**Member Portal on www.rimed.org**

- Password access to pay dues, access contact information for colleagues and RIMS leadership, RSVP to RIMS events, and share your thoughts with colleagues and RIMS

**SPECIAL NOTICE: 2014 AMA DUES PAYMENTS**

The American Medical Association (AMA) will direct bill its Rhode Island members for their 2014 dues. Beginning August 2013, AMA members will receive a separate dues statement from the AMA instead of paying AMA membership dues through the Rhode Island Medical Society (RIMS) membership invoice. This is simply an operational change so that both RIMS and AMA can concentrate on their respective member satisfaction. There remains no requirement for RIMS members to join the AMA.

Please let us know if you have questions concerning this change by emailing Megan Turcotte or phoning 401-331-3207.