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RIMS Executive Director Newell E. Warde, PhD; Throop Prize recipient Grayson Armstrong, MD; Rakatansky Prize recipient Catherine Paniszyn, MD; RIMS Physician Health Program Chair Herbert Rakatansky, MD.

RIMS presents the annual Throop and Rakatansky Prizes

In the context of Alpert Medical School's prize day on May 22, two members of the graduating class received awards endowed by RIMS and named in honor of outstanding leaders of Rhode Island medicine.

GRAYSON ARMSTRONG, MD, received the Amos Throop Prize in recognition of his engagement with public health policy and his leadership in organized medicine nationally and locally at the student level. The Prize is named for RIMS' leading founder and first president. Dr. Throop (1736–1813) was a Revolutionary War veteran and a state legislator of the Federalist persuasion.

CATHERINE PANISZYN, MD, received the Herbert Rakatansky Prize in recognition of her positive impact upon the health and well-being of her fellow medical students. The Prize is named for the founder and chair of the Medical Society's Physician Health Program. Dr. Rakatansky also founded and advises the Medical Student Health Council at Brown.

RIMS established and inaugurated the Throop and Rakatansky Prizes in 2012 as part of observances for the bicentennial of the Medical Society's founding in 1812.



Working for You: RIMS advocacy activities

May 4, Monday

Meeting with RI Psychiatric Society regarding legislation
Chairwoman Sosnowski fundraiser

May 5, Tuesday

Physicians Health Committee, Herbert Rakatansky, MD, Chair
Heart Association Childhood Obesity Coalition
Meeting with HealthSource RI
Legislative Hearings
Senator Sheehan fundraiser

May 6, Wednesday

Legislative Hearings

May 7, Thursday

DOH Health Equity Summit
RI American College of Physicians Annual Meeting, RIMS staff attending
Reach Out and Read Rhode Island Fundraiser
Dorcas International Institute event
Legislative Hearings

May 8, Friday

Economic Progress Institute Annual State Budget Briefing

May 11, Monday

Meeting with Blue Cross Blue Shield of RI: President Peter Karczmar, MD; President-elect Russell Settipane, MD; and RIMS staff
Representative Malik fundraiser
RIMS Board of Directors meeting

May 12, Tuesday

Department of Health, Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline Community Review of proposed legislation
AMA Advocacy Resource conference call regarding Supreme Court antitrust ruling on North Carolina dental board
Legislative hearings
Senator Lombardi fundraiser
Representative Solomon fundraiser

May 13, Wednesday

Legislative hearings
Representative Trillo fundraiser
Rhode Island Medical Society/ Baystate Financial retirement planning presentation, RIMS staff attending
Rhode Island Medical Society/ Baystate Financial retirement planning presentation for RIMS members

May 14, Thursday

Meeting with Health Center Association regarding bike helmet project
Meeting with Blue Cross Blue Shield of RI regarding legislation
Legislative hearings
SIM Grant Steering Committee meeting
Warren Alpert Medical School students' reception for elected officials

May 15, Friday – May 16, Saturday

Meetings of the Council of New England State Medical Societies and the New England Delegation to the AMA, Woodstock, Vermont: AMA Delegate Alyn Adrain, MD, and RIMS staff

May 18, Monday

Senator Sheldon Whitehouse briefing on his proposed Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2015.
Reinventing Medical Taskforce meeting

May 19, Tuesday

PhRMA meeting with state medical societies, Washington, DC
Meeting with James A. Arrighi, MD, Director, Graduate Medical Education, Lifespan: Membership Co-Chair Elaine Jones, MD, and RIMS staff
Legislative hearings
Chairman McCaffrey fundraiser: President Peter Karczmar, MD; RIMPAC Treasurer Elaine Jones, MD, and RIMS staff
Representative Fogarty fundraiser

May 20, Wednesday

AMA Advocacy Resource Center Conference call regarding the proposed Interstate Medical Licensure Compact
Legislative hearings
Representative O'Grady fundraiser

Save the Date!

RIMS Annual Meeting September 26

The *new* tradition continues.

Members are invited to schmooze, graze, and relax

with colleagues at the Save The Bay Center

in Providence.

Look for further details soon; invitations will be mailed.

May 21, Thursday

Legislative hearings
Chairman McNamara fundraiser
RIMS and MA/RI MGMA Seminar "ICD-10 and Your Practice"
Senate confirmation hearing for Nicole Alexander-Scott, MD, as Director of Health

May 22, Friday

RIMS President Peter Karczmar, MD, presents RIMS' two annual student awards (the Throop Award and the Rakatansky Award) to Grayson Armstrong, MD '15, and Catherine Paniszyn, MD '15 at Brown

May 25, Monday, Memorial Day

May 26, Tuesday

Meeting with House Leadership regarding legislation
Legislative hearings
Representative Ucci fundraiser

May 27, Wednesday

Meeting with EOHHS staff
Meeting with RI Public Health Institute director on various topics
Legislative hearings

May 28, Thursday

Legislative hearings



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