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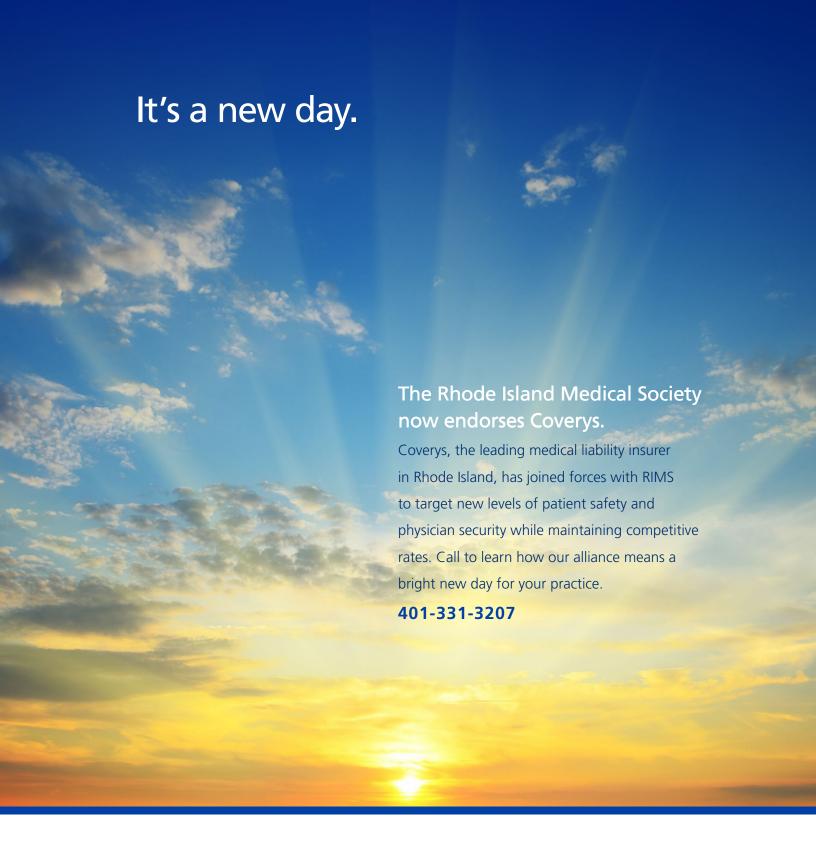
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## **RIMS NOTES**

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## Working for You: RIMS advocacy activities



On December 12, RIMS held its annual CPT Seminar, presented by Peter A. Hollmann, MD.

#### December 1, Thursday

"Paint and Wine" Membership Event, Providence

#### December 5, Monday

Weight & Wellness Summit Planning Committee

RIMS Council Meeting

#### December 6, Tuesday

RIMS Physician Health Committee: Herbert Rakatansky, MD, Chair Conference call with Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHH

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#### December 7, Wednesday

Health Equity Summit, RI Convention Center

RIMS Continuing Medical Education Committee Chair Patrick J. Sweeney, MD, PhD, MPH, honored by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Education (ACCME) at ACCME's State Medical Society Conference in Chicago

RIMS Holiday Open House

#### December 8, Thursday

SIM Grant Steering Committee: Peter A. Hollmann, MD

Meeting with RI American College of Emergency Physicians and RI Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists regarding emergency department procedures

#### December 12, Monday

CPT Seminar: RIMS Vice President Peter A. Hollmann, MD, Presenter

#### **December 13, Tuesday**

RI Medical Group Managers meeting regarding legislation and health care

RI Health Centers Association/ Neighborhood Health Plan "Addiction Treatment in Primary Care," RIMS President Sarah Fessler, MD, presenting

Conference call with Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS), Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals (BHDDH); and Department of Health (DOH) regarding Opioid Prescriber Toolkit

RI Medical Political Action Committee Board Meeting: Michael A. Silver, MD, Chair

Public Laws Committee Meeting: Michael E. Migliori, MD, Chair

#### December 14, Wednesday

Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline Governor's Opioid Task Force

Membership Committee meeting: Co-chairs Elaine C. Jones, MD, and Diane R. Siedlecki, MD

#### December 15, Thursday

RI Medical Journal meeting: Managing Editor Mary Korr, Designer Marianne Migliori, RIMS staff

Tobacco Free RI Coalition pre-session legislative meeting

#### **December 16, Friday**

AMA Conference Call regarding federal update

#### December 19, Monday

Weight & Wellness Summit Planning Committee

#### December 21, Wednesday

Primary Care Physician Advisory Committee, Department of Health

Health Advocacy and Equity Commission meeting

On December 1, RIMS hosted a "Paint & Wine" class at Muse Paintbar for members and guests.







## Save the Date

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 8am to 4pm Crowne Plaza, Warwick, RI

# Rhode Island's First Weight + Wellness Summit

Convening community resources to create a Rhode Island where healthful, affordable choices in food and physical activity are the natural daily default for all.

Who should attend? Healthcare professionals, policy makers, health advocates, educators, producers and purveyors of wholesome foods, nutritionists, community leaders, urban planners and everyone who has an interest in making regular exercise and sound nutrition convenient and affordable for all Rhode Islanders.

Exhibitor space available (some with scholarships)

For more information contact

Rhode Island Medical Society at 401-443-2386 or cnorton@rimed.org

Please share this with those you think would benefit from attending.













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Doctor's Choice provides no cost Medicare consultations.

Doctor's Choice was founded by Dr. John Luo, a graduate of the Alpert Medical School at Brown University to provide patient education and guidance when it comes to choosing a Medicare Supplemental, Advantage, or Part D prescription plan. Doctor's Choice works with individuals in RI, MA, as well as CT and helps compare across a wide variety of Medicare plans including Blue Cross, United Health, Humana, and Harvard Pilgrim.



www.nhpri.org

Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island is a non-profit HMO founded in 1993 in partnership with Rhode Island's Community Health Centers. Serving over 185,000 members, Neighborhood has doubled in membership, revenue and staff since November 2013. In January 2014, Neighborhood extended its service, benefits and value through the HealthSource RI health insurance exchange, serving 49% the RI exchange market. Neighborhood has been rated by National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) as one of the Top 10 Medicaid health plans in America, every year since ratings began twelve years ago.



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RIPCPC is an independent practice association (IPA) of primary care physicians located throughout the state of Rhode Island. The IPA, originally formed in 1994, represent 150 physicians from Family Practice, Internal Medicine and Pediatrics. RIPCPC also has an affiliation with over 200 specialty-care member physicians. Our PCP's act as primary care providers for over 340,000 patients throughout the state of Rhode Island. The IPA was formed to provide a venue for the smaller independent practices to work together with the ultimate goal of improving quality of care for our patients.

The Rhode Island Medical Society continues to drive forward into the future with the implementation of various new programs. As such, RIMS is expanded its **Affinity Program** to allow for more of our colleagues in healthcare and related business to work with our membership. RIMS thanks these participants for their support of our membership.



# RIMS gratefully acknowledges the practices who participate in our discounted Group Membership Program































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# RIMS: Your Voice for 200+ Years *Join your colleagues and add your voice*

Membership in **The Rhode Island Medical Society (RIMS)** makes you a part of a dynamic network of physicians, residents, students, physician assistants, and healthcare professionals who represent, like you, the best of the profession.



Alyn L. Adrain, MD, and Peter A. Hollmann, MD, Rhode Island Delegates to the AMA, participate in the formation of national AMA policy at annual House of Delegates meetings in Chicago.



RIMS Executive Director Newell E. Warde, PhD, hosting a free CME seminar for members of the Medical Society.



RIMS maintains close contact with federal and state lawmakers to represent physician and patient interests in emerging legislation. RIMS Public Laws Chair Michael E. Migliori, MD, at left, and RIMS Director of Government and Public Affairs Steven R. DeToy shown here following their meeting with RI Representative David R. Cicilline.



RIMS Leadership: Treasurer José Polanco, MD; Secretary Christine Brousseau, MD; President-Elect Bradley J. Collins, MD; President Sarah J. Fessler, MD; Vice President Peter A. Hollman, MD; and (seated) Immediate Past President Russell A. Settipane, MD.

#### The ABCs of membership

**Advocacy:** RIMS membership offers a cohesive platform for its members to speak with a unified voice on local, state and national issues through committee participation, policy development, legislative representation, educational conferences, and stakeholder seminars.

**Benefits:** CME sessions, physician health services, preferred career, financial and personal services from our sponsors, membership portal.

**Collegiality:** Social events, networking opportunities, professional development.

**Strength:** In numbers. If you are already a member, thank you for your support. If you're not, join us today. Group, military and new practitioner discounts; medical students join for free.

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RIMS hosts social events throughout the year for members and guests.

