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Working for You: RIMS advocacy activities

September 1, Friday
Conference Call with Anchor Medical Associates and the Department of Health regard Diabetes Prevention Program Grant
Governor Raimondo Fundraiser,
President-elect Bradley Collins, MD, attending

September 5, Tuesday
RIMS Physician Health Committee:
Herbert Rakatansky, MD, Chair
AMA Advocacy Resource Center call regarding Economic Impact Study of Physician Practices

September 11, Monday
Meeting with WAMS Students regarding legislation
Board of Directors Meeting:
Sarah J. Fessler, MD, President

September 12, Tuesday
AMA Advocacy Resource Center call regarding national opioid crisis
AMA conference call, Washington DC Staff, regarding MACRA update

September 13, Wednesday
Board of Licensure and Discipline (BMLD) presentation by Herbert Rakatansky, MD, and Kathi Boyd, LICSW, on Physician Health Program
Meeting with Opioid Treatment Association regarding potential legislation
Governor’s Opioid Overdose and Prevention Task Force meeting

September 14, Thursday
Meeting with Megan Ranney, MD, regarding gun violence project for primary care providers
SIM Meeting: Peter A. Hollmann, MD, Vice President

September 15, Friday
Chairman Craven Fundraiser:
Michael E. Migliori, MD, and Steven R. DeToy
RIMS Convivium, Awards Ceremony and Installation of New Officers (right, and page 60)

September 19, Tuesday
Legislative Hearings, final day of 2017 legislative session

September 20, Wednesday
Primary Care Physicians Advisory Committee
Meeting with Department of Health and RI Health Centers Association regarding the Health Professionals Loan Repayment Program, “Health Policy in America” by Michael E. Migliori, MD, and Steven R. DeToy, at the Warren Alpert Medical School.

September 21, Thursday
Meeting with Diabetes Prevention Program CME Planning Committee
Meeting with RI Quality Institute

September 22, Friday
Meeting with RI Dermatology Society

OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE
RIMS has 442 square feet of newly renovated office space (3 contiguous offices of 200 sf, 121 sf and 121 sf), complete with convenient sheltered parking and the opportunity for tenants to share three well-equipped meeting spaces, break room, office machinery, etc. on the western edge of downtown Providence. Suitable for a small non-profit organization, boutique law firm, CPA firm or other office-based small business.

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RIMS President Sarah J. Fessler, MD, presents the RIMS president’s medallion to her newly inaugurated successor, Bradley J. Collins, MD, at the Annual Convivium on September 15.

September 23, Saturday
Meeting of the New England Delegation to the AMA and Council of New England State Medical Societies, Waltham, Massachusetts; Peter A. Hollmann, MD; Alyn Adrain, MD, Newell Warde

September 26, Tuesday
Improving End of Life Care Coalition

September 28, Thursday
Rhode Island HIT Data Sharing meeting
The Rhode Island Medical Society now endorses Coverys.

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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.

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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.

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 Bebop Docs performed at RIMS’ 4th Annual Convivium at the Save the Bay Center in Field’s Point in Providence on September 15.

RIMS 2017–2018 leadership: President-Elect Peter A. Hollmann, MD; President Bradley J. Collins, MD; Secretary Christine Brousseau, MD; Vice President Norman A. Gordon, MD; and (seated) Immediate Past President Sarah J. Fessler, MD. Not present: Treasurer Catherine A. Cummings, MD.

Dr. Charles L. Hill Award recipient Jerry Fingerut, MD; Dr. John Clarke Award recipient Kathleen C. Hittner, MD; Dr. Herbert Rakatansky Award recipient Michael E. Migliori, MD.

RIMS members, guests, staff, and sponsors enjoyed the opportunity to get acquainted or chat with old friends while enjoying appetizers, beverages, and dessert, in an informal setting.

RIMS President Bradley J. Collins, MD, addresses the attendees.

RIMS Executive Director Newell E. Warde, PhD (second from left) and students in the Bryant University Physician Assistant Program, Dan Leary Alison Migliori, and Ida Apel.
RIMS gratefully acknowledges the practices who participate in our discounted Group Membership Program

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