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Working for You: RIMS advocacy activities

November 1, Thursday
OHIC Admin Simplification Workgroup
AMA Foundation event at RI Historical Society

November 2, Friday
Meeting with the Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns
Meeting with RI American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) regarding proposed Emergency Medicine Services regulation

November 5, Monday
OHIC Cost Trends Analysis Group: Peter A. Hollmann, MD, President
Conference call with CMS Region I Administrator, John McGough
RIMS Board of Directors Meeting: Peter A. Hollmann, MD, President

November 6, Tuesday
Election Day
RIMS Physician Health Committee: Herbert Rakatansky, MD, Chair; celebration of the Committee’s 40th year

November 7, Wednesday
Meeting with Chief Administrative Officer of the Board of Licensure and Discipline: Peter A. Hollmann, MD, President

November 8, Thursday
Meeting with RI Foundation regarding Physician Health Program: Herbert Rakatansky, MD
State Innovation Model (SIM) Grant Steering Committee: Peter A. Hollmann, MD, President
Joint Underwriting Association of RI Board of Directors: Newell Warde, PhD, CEO

November 9
Conference call with Department of Health and RI Primary Care Physician Corporation regarding National Diabetes Prevention Program

November 10–13, Friday–Tuesday
AMA Interim Meeting, National Harbor, Maryland. Delegate and RIMS President Peter A. Hollmann, MD, Delegate Alyn Adrain, MD, and Alternate Delegate Sarah Fessler, MD

November 14, Wednesday
Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline Governor's Overdose Prevention and Intervention Task Force: Sarah Fessler, MD, Past President
OHIC Cost Trends Analysis Group: Peter A. Hollmann, MD, President
Mental Health Parity Initiative
Meeting with the Rhode Island Food Policy Council and Harvard Law School regarding sugar-sweetened beverage legislation
Meeting of the Civil Commitment Task Force

November 16, Friday
RIMS’ Harm Reduction Committee Meeting

November 19, Monday
Governor’s Overdose Harm Reduction Workgroup

November 20, Tuesday
OHIC Health Insurance Advisory Committee

November 21, Wednesday
Primary Care Physicians Advisory Committee
Meeting with Brown Physicians, Inc. regarding advocacy

November 26, Monday
OHIC Cost Trends Analysis Group: Peter A. Hollmann, MD, President
Rhode Island Health Information Technology Survey Working Group Meeting

November 30, Friday
OHIC Admin Simplification Workgroup
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.
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