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CME EVENT

Eleventh Hour Education Event

May 17, 2014, 7:00 am

Crowne Plaza Hotel

801 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick RI 02886

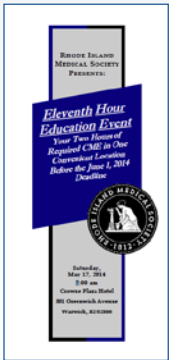
The RI Medical Society has organized your opportunity to obtain required Continuing Medical Education (CME) on Saturday, May 17, 2014.

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](mailto:Megan.E.Turcotte@rimed.org) 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.

RIMS joins panel discussion on medication adherence

DR. ELAINE JONES, president of the Rhode Island Medical Society, participated in a panel discussion and audience Q&A on medication adherence February 10 at Brown University. U.S. Senators Jack Reed and Sheldon Whitehouse,



U.S. Senator Jack Reed

also on the panel, joined Prescriptions for a Healthy America and the Script Your Future campaign to explore the health and cost-saving benefits of medication adherence.

“When medications are used as directed, patients are healthier and we reduce costs in our health care system – it’s a clear win-win,” Senator Whitehouse said. He said e-prescribing, improvements in technology, and the health

care exchange can be effective in improving adherence, care coordination and health outcomes. He noted that the Rhode Island Quality Institute has been a leader in this area.

Panelists also included Jef Bratberg of the University of Rhode Island College of Pharmacy; Stephen Evangelista, CEO of the Arthritis Foundation of New England and chairman of the Rhode Island Health Advocacy Forum; Sally Greenberg, executive director of the National Consumers League and coordinator of the Script Your Future campaign; Peter Simmons, vice president for product development at CVS Caremark; and Joel White, executive director of the Council for Affordable Health Coverage. ❖



U.S. Senator Sheldon Whitehouse; RI Secretary of Health and Human Services Steven M. Constantino



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.



Above: State House press conference on health care, Brown MSS at the AMA, CPT update seminar, bike helmet distribution, medical student volunteers; Upper right: Meeting of RIMS membership committee

APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP ONLINE

RIMS MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS INCLUDE:

Discounts on career management resources

Insurance, collections, medical banking, and document shredding services

Discounts on Continuing Medical Education

InReach online CME program discounts; RIMS is an ACCME accrediting agency

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](mailto:Megan.Turcotte@rimed.org) or phoning 401-331-3207.