

Oakland County Medical Society

February 2020 Digital Newsletter



Business of Medicine

Thursday, February 13th at 6:00 p.m., OCMS will join with the Washtenaw County Medical Society to present the Business of Medicine. This event will feature speakers on financial planning, contracting and HR/personnel mgmt. [Click here to register.](#)



Legislative Meet & Greet

Join us for a special meet & greet with local Oakland and Wayne County legislators to discuss prior authorization, surprise billing and emotional support animals. Our date is Thursday, February 27th at 6:00 p.m. at the Great Lakes Culinary Center in Southfield. [Click here to RSVP.](#)

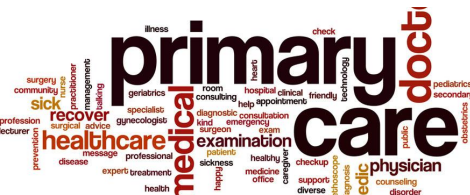


Winter Night In Yoga/Painting

OCMS members are invited to join us on Thursday, March 19th for a fun night of yoga and painting with a twist. Pick one or both! Yoga starts at 6:30 p.m. and painting at 7:00 p.m. Food and drinks provided. Event will be held at the OCMS office building in Bloomfield Hills. [Click here to RSVP.](#)



2020 Detroit Multiple Sclerosis Conference
Friday, March 20, 2020
7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Henry Ford Hospital



Practical and Progressive Updates in Primary Care Medicine 2020
Saturday, April 25th
7:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.
MSU Management Center, Troy



MDHHS Response to Coronavirus

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) activated the Community Health Emergency Coordination Center (CHECC) to support local and state response to the outbreak. For more information, [click here.](#)



Practice Manager Special Event

On Thursday, March 19th we will be bringing back Elizabeth Woodcock, to talk to our managers on Patient Collections and Access. The event starts at 8:30 a.m. at Walsh College in Troy. [Click here](#) for more information.



Surprise Medical Billing

Lawmakers in Michigan and around the country are debating the appropriate recourse to address unanticipated out-of-network bills. Patients are receiving these high bills because the care they believed was covered, actually was not. [Contact your lawmaker](#) on the Michigan bills that need to put patient's first.



#FixPriorAuth because #HealthCantWait: Support SB 612

Prior authorization and step therapy/fail first requirements hamstring treatment, drive up nonadherence to medication and lead to diminished health. It's onerous and needless insurance company bureaucracy, and it's negatively affecting patients, physicians, providers and their practices. It's time we cut out the red tape, because at the end of the day, health can't wait. [Click here to send a message to your lawmaker.](#)