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ADVOCACY UPDATE



From left to right: Alan Pillersdorf, MD, Brandon Luskin, MD, Representative Lori Berman, Dawn Davanzo, MD, Shawn Baca, MD and Stephen Babic, MD

PBCMS Physicians Participate at Palm Beach County Days

PBCMS Board of Directors is extremely interested in the debate surrounding the repeal of the ACA and the possible replacement with the AHCA. With all of the discussion surrounding this and many other issues in Washington and Tallahassee it is understandable how many around us simply tune out the noise. Yet we know that the decisions and policy actions that are taking place will have real life consequences on friends, families and our physician members. It is critical that you become engaged and take time to understand the issues and voice your opinions. We need to hear from you!

1. Please let us hear from you regarding the [AMA letter to Congress](#).
2. Please [click here](#) to review the recommendations presented by the PBCMS Marijuana Task Force. When finalized these recommendations will be presented to our [Florida Legislative Delegation](#).
Send comments to tennaw@pbcms.org



Repeal & Replace Watch

President-elect Donald Trump has promised to “repeal and replace” the Affordable Care Act, but has offered few details about what comes next. That’s why Kaiser Health News is launching Repeal & Replace Watch to track the new administration’s plans to revamp America’s health care system. [Click here](#) for updates.



Looking for very special friends

Yes, special friends who want to sponsor the 14th Annual **Heroes in Medicine Awards** to be held at the Kravis Center’s Cohen Pavilion in West Palm Beach on Friday, April 21st.

Heroes in Medicine, a unique and extremely heartwarming gathering, honors and celebrates men and women as well as companies and organizations from Palm Beach County who are committed to and have provided extraordinary health care services and support.

Net proceeds from the awards luncheon support the services of the Medical Society and **Project Access**, a physician-led network of care of physicians and other health care providers who offer care at no cost to local uninsured residents in need and other services of the PBCMSS. Since 2005 when Project Access began, hundreds of physicians and other health care providers have provided over \$11 million of free care, with over \$1.2 million provided last year. For every \$100 contributed to Project Access, \$800 in free care is provided...care which has offered support, hope and saved lives. Call 561-433-3940 for sponsorship information.

AMA Action Alert

A [recent survey](#) of over 3,000 brand name prescription medications found that prices have more than doubled for over 60 drugs since 2014. As the prices of prescription medications continue to rise, physicians have a responsibility to educate their patients. TruthinRx.org allows patients to learn who controls the prices of their medications and why those prices are increasing. The interactive site provides facts, informational resources and ways that you and your patients can take action to increase drug price transparency. Don’t wait – visit TruthinRx.org today.

Special Enrollment for Health Insurance Coverage is Now!

If you are uninsured and have a qualifying event, (click [here](#) to see what qualifies you) and you need help finding health insurance, contact Vanessa Rivera, our Licensed Navigators, at (561) 309-9946 or visit www.enrollpbandtc.org to find a Navigator or Certified Application Assistor near you.

The Arthritis Foundation

The Arthritis Foundation is working with a coalition in Florida advocating for the passage of the Bait and Switch or non-medical switching bill, SB182/HB95. The Arthritis Foundation's position statement on this is titled "Prohibiting Negative Health Insurance Plan Changes During a Contract Year" and you can access it by clicking [here](#).

Upcoming PBCMS Events

Palm Beach County Medical Society Services Annual Dinner

Palm Beach County Medical Society Services will be hosting the Annual Dinner on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 from 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. at Benvenuto Restaurant 1730 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach, FL 33435. Featured Speaker will be Phillip M. Boiselle, M.D., Dean of the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine, FAU. Guests \$40. Please call 561-433-3940 to RSVP.

Ethics and the Conversation Project

The PBSC Center for Applied Ethics and PBCMS will be hosting "Values, Conversations and Life Choices" *for free* on Monday, March 27, 2017 at 2:30pm. It will be held at Palm Beach State College 4200 Lake Worth Road in the Public Safety Training Room PSD -108. [Click here](#) to register online or call 561-868-3545.

Save the Date!

PBCMS will be hosting a Doctor's Day Family Celebration on Sunday, April 2, 2017 from 2-5 pm at The Beach Club (Lake Worth). There will be a cookout, music, fun and games. Free for members and immediate family. Please contact Deanna by email deanna@pbcms.org at 561-433-3940 x105.

Upcoming Community Events

South Florida Medical Marijuana Symposium for Physicians

South Florida Medical Marijuana Symposium for Physicians will be held on Saturday, March 11th, from 8am to 3pm at The Westin Fort Lauderdale. Click [here](#) full agenda and speaker list and to register. Earn up to 6 *AMA PRA Category 1 CME Credits* including Risk Management Credits. REGISTER BY 1/31 and Save \$50!

Physician Cocktail Reception and Dinner

Alzheimer's Community Care is hosting a Physician Cocktail Reception and Dinner on March 16, 2017 beginning at 6:00 pm at the Kravis Center. James Galvin, MD, MPH will be the Keynote Speaker. For reservations contact Amy by email alowe@alzcare.org or call 561-683-2700.

Alzheimer's Community Care Educational Conference

Alzheimer's Community Care will be hosting the 20th Educational Conference, March 16-17, 2017, at the Palm Beach County Convention Center in West Palm Beach. CME's and CEU's will be provided. [Click here](#) for more information or to register.

CME'S Available

Boca Raton Regional Hospital will be hosting the 14th Annual Internal Medicine Conference from March 24-26 at the Boca Raton Marriott. For more information or to register online [click here](#).

HEPM Miami Event 2017

Cleveland Clinic has partnered with the London School of Economics for an upcoming program in Miami called "Big Issues in Health Policy." From the 28th to the 30th of April LSE Health, in joint providership with Cleveland Clinic, will host 'Big Issues in Health Policy' at the at [The Ritz Carlton Hotel](#), South Beach, Miami. **This activity has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™.** [Click here](#) for more information or to register.

2017 West Palm Beach Business to Business Diversity Conference R.E.A.C.H (Reinforce Employment Access & Career Hiring)

CareerSource PBC is hosting a conference on May 11, 2017 from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm with breakfast and lunch included. CEU's offered. The conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Palm Beach Airport Hotel, 1301 Belvedere Road, West Palm Beach Florida. [Click here](#) to register on line or for more information.

Classifieds

Job Openings

Palm Beach Research is looking for a FL licensed Physician for a part time research project. Please contact Judy Dunn, RN, MPH at jdunn@careersourcepbc.com or 561-371-5326.

Physician Needed

Fred Eaglstein, DO a board-certified dermatologist and MOHS surgeon recently passed away in Jacksonville. His family is looking for a fulltime MOHS surgeon to work in practice during this transition. Please call Pamela Matthews at 904-945-6845 if you are interested.

Open Positions for Psychiatrist and Staff Physician

FoundCare is looking for a Staff Physician. For confidential consideration, please

email your CV/resume and salary requirements to mmachonis@foundcare.org or call 561-472-9160 ext. 212 or by fax 561-868-5652.

Office Space for Rent

Fully furnished office space for rent with medical equipment. Ideal for Ob/Gyn or PCP. Central location in Palm Beach County near Okeechobee Blvd and I-95. 4 exam rooms. Business office. Doctor offices. Break room. 2 restrooms. If interested, please contact 561-434-6796 for more information.

Office Space for Sublease

On St. Mary's Campus. 5305 Greenwood Ave., Suite 202 WPB. Three exam rooms and large physician's office with wheelchair access. Available 2 to 3 days per week. Contact 561-841-8545 for more information.

Medical Office for Rent

Available February 1, 2017. JMC Out Patient Surgery Center Bldg. Military Trail, Jupiter (covered portico and elevator). Ideal for single physician or secondary location. 1225 sq. ft., fully furnished including medical equipment; 2 exam rooms (one including lab setup), handicap accessible bathroom, business office, conference room/kitchen, computer/storage room, extra-large physician's office. Contact (561) 746-8446 for more information.

Office Space for Rent

Single story building with wheelchair access located at 2150 South Congress Avenue in West Palm Beach - 2000 sq. feet, 5 exam rooms, front & back office, employee lounge, kitchen and bathroom. For more information, please call Dr. Graham Whitfield 561-965-5200 - Built by a Doctor for a Doctor!

Don't miss out - Only 1 fully functional Medical Office unit still available for lease in West Palm Beach

This large suite encompasses 4600 sq. ft. with 7 exam rooms, a large reception/medical records area, lab area, 2 nurses stations and a full lead lined X-Ray room. This building is close to I-95 and is centrally located. Ask us about the optional use of our 3000 sq. ft., ACHA certified and fully accredited Outpatient Surgery Center. Plenty of parking available and possible move-in incentives. Contact Candy Steiding at 561-968-7111 or candy@plasticsurgerypb.com for further information.

Needed New or Gently Used Medical Equipment

Clinics Can Help (CCH), a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization founded in 2005, gratefully accepts donations of new or gently used medical equipment which we clean and when necessary refurbish and provides it to convalescing or chronically ill children and adults in Palm Beach County. To inquire about donating medical equipment or supplies or for more information about CCH call 561.640.2995 today or go to www.clinicscanhelp.org.

