



a newsletter for physicians, hospitals & healthcare providers June 16, 2017

Welcome to our newest members of the PBC Medical Society

Joel Fuhrman, MD - Family Medicine, Boca Raton

Laurie Marbas, MD - Family Medicine, Boca Raton

Delia Weiss, MD - Internal Medicine, Delray Beach

Residents, Areeba Awan, MD, Rupesh Manam, MD and Samantha Daniel, MD

Medical Student - Misha Armstrong, UM MD, MPH program

What the eClinicalWorks \$155M settlement means for you

eClinicalWorks, one of the nation's largest EHR software vendors, recently agreed to pay \$155 million to the government to settle a False Claims Act whistleblower case alleging that eCW misrepresented its EHR products and paid kickbacks. None of this settlement will be paid to eCW customers. The government contended that eCW falsely obtained "meaningful use" certification for its EHR software by, among other things, concealing that its software did not meet the certification criteria for certain drug codes and failing to comply with data portability and audit log requirements. Therefore, the claims for federal incentive payments under the meaningful use program submitted by eCW customers were alleged to be false claims. The government has not stated whether or not it will seek recovery against eCW customers.

Q: What are my options?

A: If your practice signed up with eClinicalWorks prior to 2014, you may have a cause of action against eCW. For more information regarding your legal rights in this matter, contact the FMA General Counsel's office at legal@flmedical.org or call (850) 224-6496.

Medicaid cuts hit 116,570 area kids

As Florida legislators voted to reduce Medicaid spending by \$521 million Friday, a new report shed light on who is affected by budget battles in Tallahassee and Washington: Medicaid covers 41 percent of Palm Beach County children, or more than 116,000. Click here for full story.

Legislature Approves Medical Marijuana Deal

Florida will have 10 additional marijuana operators — more than double the number of the state's current vendors — within four months, under a medical marijuana proposal approved by lawmakers Friday. <u>Click here</u> for full story.

2017-2018 Health Care Connection

Is there a topic that you or your office staff are interested in learning more about? If so, we can consider for our 2017-2018 Health Care Connection educational series. Please email deannal@pbcms.org or call 433-3940 ext. 105.

ANNOUCING THE PHYSICIAN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY (PLA) of SOUTH FLORIDA Application Submission Deadline: August 25, 2017

The PBCMSS is pleased to announce that applications for the Physician Leadership Academy (PLA) of South Florida will be available as of June 25. The PLA will offer a select group of South Florida physicians with:

- -at least 40 AMA Category 1 CME credits (with full attendance),
- -a diverse array of leadership skills training,
- -tools which enable participants to take on significant leadership roles,
- -vital information about health care issues facing Floridians, and
- -access to a growing professional network.

This program, held under the auspices of the Palm Beach County Medical Society/Services in partnership with Broward County Medical Association and Dade County Medical Association, is funded through a grant from The Physicians Foundation and is endorsed by the Florida Medical Association. Up to 8 physicians who are members of PBCMS will be selected to become members of the 2017-2018 PLA class. We invite you to self-nominate or present nominations for consideration as candidates for the Physicians Leadership Academy of South Florida. For more information please call Jim Sugarman by email JimS@pbcms.org or call 561-433-3940 ext. 103.

PBCMS Offers CHW Care Coordination Training Program

The training will be offered at Career Source Palm Beach County 3400 Belvedere Rd. West Palm Beach, FL August 25th thru November 10th. Classes will be held Fridays from 1pm-4pm. Includes all classes, course materials and simulation sessions, 30 CEU's provided. **Scholarships are available.** For more information please contact Karen Harwood at karenh@pbcms.org or by phone 561-433-3940 ext. 114.

Application deadline: Friday, August 4, 2017. Click here for application.

Medical Reserve Corps Volunteer Opportunities!

Palm Beach County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) needs medical, health and support volunteers. To attend an upcoming orientation and learn more about how you can

join the Palm Beach County MRC, please email John James at johnj@pbcms.org or call 561-433-3940 ex. 118.

Physicians in Active Practice

If you are interested in learning more about the PBCMS 2020 Health Hub please call Deanna by email deannal@pbcms.org or call 561-433-3940 ext. 105.

Community Service Hours

Do you have teens that need community service hours? If so, have them call PBCMS office at 433-3940 ext. 105.

ALERTPBC

Palm Beach County's Emergency Notification System is used to notify you about imminent threats to health and safety. Administrators send notifications regarding severe weather, flooding, gas leaks; police activity; and more. To sign up, click here.

PHYSICIANS WE NEED YOUR HELP!

With summer here we have pre-med students looking for shadowing/mentoring opportunities. We receive daily inquiries and don't have enough volunteer physicians to help. To learn more about how you can help our future physicians please email deannal@pbcms.org or call Deanna Lessard (561) 433-3940 ext. 105.

Caduceus

Within Café and Bookstore will be holding AA Meetings for Medical Professionals beginning June 6th at 8:15. Meetings will be held every Wednesday at 8:15 at the Shoppes of Atlantis 5865 South Congress Ave. Lantana, FL 33462.

Stay up to date on the latest on Congressional Health Reform

<u>Click here</u> for Kaiser Health News, a nonprofit news service committed to in-depth coverage of health care policy and politics. They report on how the health care system — hospitals, doctors, nurses, insurers, governments, consumers — works.

Upcoming PBCMS Events

2017 Future of Medicine

Save the date for the 2017 Future of Medicine Conference "The New Reality." It will be held on October 12th & 13th at the Airport Hilton, West Palm Beach. Please call 561-433-3940 for sponsorship information.

Upcoming Community Events

Arthritis Support Network

The Arthritis Foundation will be hosting "Your Coverage, Your Care – Tools to better navigate a complex health care system" on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 from 6:00 pm–8:00 pm in the Clubhouse room at PGA Tour Super Store 1040 Linton Blvd., Delray

Beach, FL 33444. For more info contact Elida at <u>Elida@ArthritisIntrospective.org</u> or click here.

Save the Date

Acevedo Consulting will be hosting "MIPS- How to Succeed in 2017 and beyond" on Friday, August 4, 2017 at Keiser University, West Palm Beach Campus from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm. For more information call 561-278-9328.

Summer Academy

FAU Anne Boykin Institute for the Advancement of Caring in Nursing will be hosting a summer academy" Interprofessional Partnerships Grounded in Caring Science" on June 25^{th} & 26^{th} . For more information <u>click here</u>.

Classifieds

Job Openings

Psychiatrist, General physician (MD)- urgent care/internal medicine/ family medicine specialties Contact Judy Dunn, 561-371-5326 or jdunn@careersourcepbc.com

MD or DO for concierge medicine- Contact Judy Dunn, 561-371-5326 or jdunn@careersourcepbc.com

MD or DO for general medicine and psychiatric coverage for Addiction Treatment Center, Contact Judy Dunn, 561-371-5326 or jdunn@careersourcepbc.com

Physician Needed

Seeking BC/BE FP, Urgent Care, ER physician to work with all ages, in brand new state-of-the-art Urgent Care Center in Wellington, Florida. 3-4 12 hour shifts/week, comp. salary, excellent benefits. FL lic. preferred. Contact Karen DeSimone – (941) 745-7232.

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

Office space for rent. Central location in Palm Beach County near Good Samaritan Hospital. Will build to suit: approximately 1000 sq. ft. on the First Floor. If interested, please contact 561-655-9055 and speak with Samantha for more information.

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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.

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 nurse's 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.