



a newsletter for physicians, hospitals & healthcare providers January 27, 2017

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**\*PBCMS ANNUAL STATE OF MEDICINE/LEGISLATIVE DINNER\***

PBCMS and MEDPAC Annual State of Medicine Dinner “What Does the Future Hold?” will be held on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at the Airport Hilton West Palm Beach, beginning at 6pm.

**Featured Speakers**



David Becker, MD President of the FMA



State Attorney Dave Aronberg



Shawn Baca, MD PBCMS President

Members free and guests \$50. [Click here](#) to register online or call 561-433-3940.



**[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.](#)

### **[FMA's 2017 State Legislative Agenda](#)**

The FMA's top priority for the 2017 Florida Legislative Session is to relieve physicians of excessive burdens that interfere with patient care. [Click here for an overview](#) of our goals, which include supporting Direct Primary Care, allowing doctors to override "fail first" protocols, cutting prior authorization red tape and eliminating needless administrative tasks.

### **AMA Action Alert**

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), opioids killed over 30,000 people in 2015, which is more than any other year on record. And, nearly half of those deaths involved a prescription opioid. But, you can help end the epidemic by learning how to effectively treat and prevent opioid abuse disorders. Here are three ways you can get started today:

#### **Take Free CME Courses and Webinars**

Check out these [webinars](#) to learn how you can help your patients manage their chronic pain, while preventing opioid abuse.

#### **Use Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs**

Have you signed up for your state's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)? [Register now](#) so that you can begin to make more informed prescribing decisions for your patients.

#### **Increase Access to Naloxone**

As you know, for patients at risk of suffering from an opioid overdose, Naloxone can be a life-saving medication. Here's the AMA's [guide to increasing access](#) to Naloxone.

### **[Last Days of Open Enrollment](#)**

The Deadline is January 31<sup>st</sup>. If you are uninsured and need help finding health insurance, contact our licensed navigator, Vanessa Rivera, here at our office at (561) 309-9946 or visit [www.enrollpbandtc.org](http://www.enrollpbandtc.org) to find a Navigator 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](#).

### **[Only 2 Weeks left to Nominate Your Hero In Medicine!](#)**

Palm Beach County Medical Society Services is seeking nominations of individuals, organizations and businesses throughout Palm Beach County that have used their skills and resources to improve the quality of health care for the people of Palm Beach County as well national and international communities. From the nominations submitted the Medical Society will select inspirational heroes in health

care and honor them on Friday, April 21, 2017 at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual *Heroes in Medicine Awards* luncheon held at the Kravis Center's Cohen Pavilion.



Greg Quattlebaum and Jibby Ciric are serving as the event's co-chairs. For more information or to receive a nomination form via email please call Jim Sugarman at 561-433-3940 or request one by emailing [heroes@pbcms.org](mailto:heroes@pbcms.org). [Click here](#) for a fillable nomination form.

### **Council on Member Services Needs You!**

We are looking for physicians who are interested in learning more about the Society and helping our membership GROW! Council Chair is Marc Hirsh, MD and Co-Chair is Jim Heron, MD. Our first meeting of 2017 is Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup> 6:30 – 7:30 pm. If you are interested, please email [deanna@pbcms.org](mailto:deanna@pbcms.org) or call Deanna at 433-3940 ext. 105.

### **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](mailto:johnj@pbcms.org) or call 561-433-3940 ex. 118.

### **Birdies for Children**

Project Access is proud to be partnered with Birdies for Children! The best part is 110% of your donation will directly benefit Project Access and you can possibly win a BRAND-NEW HONDA! [Click here](#) for details or to donate.

### **Congratulations!**

Acevedo Consulting Incorporated announced that President, Jean Acevedo, LHRM, CPC, CHC and Associate Consultant, Candice Fenildo, CPC, CHC, CPMA, CPC-I, CPB have recently been awarded a fellowship by the AAPC. The AAPC is the world's largest credentialing organization for the business of healthcare and draws its membership from professionals working in medical coding, clinical documentation improvement, auditing, regulatory compliance, revenue cycle management, and practice management. To be awarded a fellowship, and a place in this select group, one must dedicate themselves to their career and the healthcare community, as well

as demonstrate experience, competency, and commitment to ongoing excellence. Acevedo and Fenildo assist physician practices, healthcare organizations, attorneys and hospitals on a daily basis through Acevedo Consulting; a Delray Beach consulting firm specializing in the labyrinth of reimbursement, coding and regulatory compliance issues facing the healthcare industry today.

## **Upcoming PBCMS Events**

### **Retired Physician Luncheon**

PBCMS will be hosting a Retired Physician Luncheon on Friday, February 3, 2017 at Morse Life- The Traditions – 4920 Loring Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33417. This will be a lunch, presentation and tour. RSVP to Deanna at [deannal@pbcms.org](mailto:deannal@pbcms.org) or call 433-3940 x105.

### **Health Care Connection Luncheon**

PBCMS will be hosting “The Top 3 Security Risks Facing Healthcare Today” on Wednesday, February 8 2017 at the West Palm Beach Marriott from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm. It is presented by Tom Garcia of InfoSight. \$25 PBCMS & MGMA Members and Staff - \$35 non-members and staff. Register on line at [www.pbcms.org](http://www.pbcms.org) or call 561-433-3940.

## **Upcoming Community Events**

### **Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction**

Jupiter Medical Center, in collaboration with the University of Massachusetts Center for Mindfulness, is pleased to offer Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction. [Click here](#) to register for a class, apply for a scholarship, and class cost. For additional information, please call 561-660-1828.

### **Florida Society of Pathologists (FSP) Annual Conference**

The Florida Society of Pathologists invites you to the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Anatomic Pathology Conference, February 17-19, 2017 taking place at Disney’s Grand Floridian in Orlando, FL. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **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](mailto:alowe@alzcare.org) or call 561-683-2700.

### **2017 West Palm Beach Fearless Caregiver Conference**

The Area Agency on Aging is hosting a Caregiver Conference on February 15, 2017 from 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM with lunch included. The conference will be held at the

Riviera Beach Marina Event Center, 190 East 13th Street, Riviera Beach, FL 33404.  
[Click here](#) to register online or for more information.

### **[Annie Appleseed Project Conference](#)**

Annie Appleseed Project will host its 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Evidence-based Complementary & Alternative Cancer Therapies conference on March 2-4, 2017 at the Embassy Suites, 1601 Belvedere Road, West Palm Beach. The meeting includes up to 13 hours of Continuing Education, 13-16 speakers, 3 organic meals, giveaways, fresh-squeezed organic juices, a free movie night, yoga class, Qi Gong with George Love, DOM, and much more. Limited availability. For more information on pricing and registration, [click here](#).

### **[Alzheimer's Community Care Educational Conference](#)**

Alzheimer's Community Care will be hosting the 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

## **Classifieds**

### **[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.

### **[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](http://www.clinicscanhelp.org).

### **[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.

### **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](mailto:candy@plasticsurgerypb.com) for further information.

### **Physician Needed**

Needed ASAP a Doctor interested in taking over a Cardiology- Internal Medicine practice. The Doctor recently passed away and lease is good until December 2017. Located next to Century village on Okeechobee Blvd. Please call Cindy @ 561-847-0566 or 561-683-8700. Very good revenue and patients, charts, medical and computer equipment is included with the office.

### **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](mailto:mmachonis@foundcare.org) or call 561-472-9160 ext. 212 or by fax 561-868-5652.

### **Physicians Wanted**

Dr. Argentina Brito (Brito Medical Center) located in WPB is looking to hire a Family Practice/Internal Medicine physician. Candidate must speak fluent Spanish. If interested, please call Gabriel Fernandez at (561) 968-8462.

### **Job Openings**

Seeking FQHC Medical Director and Psychiatrist for Primary Care Clinic. Contact Anna Tjon by email [atjon@hcdpbc.org](mailto:atjon@hcdpbc.org) or phone 561-804-5632.

### **Job Openings**

Openings for physicians at HCD Clinics– Board Certified or Board Eligible Internist or Family Practice (Clinic), Bilingual Pediatrician (Clinic), Psychiatrist (West Palm Beach Clinic). If you are interested in learning more about any of these openings please call Judy Dunn, RN at CareerSource Palm Beach County at [jdunn@careersourcepb.com](mailto:jdunn@careersourcepb.com) or 561-371-5326.