Speakers’ Letter to MSMA Members

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TO: Delegates, Alternate Delegates, Leaders of Component and Medical Specialty Societies, Executive Directors, Special Sections and Groups, MSMA Members

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Your Speakers want to inform you of the upcoming 161st MSMA Annual Convention at the Westin Crown Center in Kansas City. Visit www.msma.org/annual-convention, call 800-869-6762, or email Benita Stennis at bstennis@msma.org.

Pre-Registration

There is no fee to participate in MSMA’s Annual Convention, but attendees MUST register, because many Convention events, including access to the Exhibit Hall, require badges. Preregistration is encouraged. To register online or download a registration form, visit www.msma.org/annual-convention or call 800-869-6762.

Hotel Accommodations

The MSMA strongly encourages you to book overnight accommodations at Convention headquarters, the Westin Crown Center in Kansas City at 888-625-4988 or online at www.msma.org/annual-convention. This helps MSMA meet its contractual obligations with the hotel and maintain current Convention benefits, as well as keep future hotel guest rates and fees reasonable. Be sure to mention “2019 Missouri State Medical Association Annual Convention.” Group rates available until March 4, 2019. Rates start at $151 per night plus charges and taxes.

On-Site Registration

Registration for the House of Delegates will be located in the Century Foyer and is open from 6:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5, and from 6:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 6. Online registration is available until 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, at www.msma.org/annual-convention.

House of Delegates

The 161st Session of the MSMA House of Delegates will convene at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, April 5. The opening session is scheduled to conclude around 10:00 a.m. and will consist of reports, awards, speeches, and consideration of acceptance of late resolutions. On Sunday, April 7, the House will convene at 8:15 a.m. to hear reports from the Reference Committees and install officers.

Delegates MUST register at the Registration Booth to obtain Delegate credentials. Each Delegate elected to the House of Delegates by his/her component medical society or section will be included on a Delegates’ list at the MSMA Registration Desk. If the elected Delegate is unable to be present at the Annual Convention, his or her duly-elected Alternate Delegate will then be entitled to register as a Delegate.

Reference Committees

Starting times for Reference Committees A and B are staggered. Reference Committee A will begin at 10:00 a.m. Reference Committee B will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Resolutions

Resolutions submitted after February 19 are considered late resolutions. The individual or society introducing a late resolution must supply sufficient copies, printed in standardized format, for the entire House of Delegates at its opening session (plus 10 copies delivered to the MSMA Secretary at the time of its introduction). Late resolutions will be accepted as business of the House at the Opening Session, but will be referred to a Reference Committee only if approved by two-thirds of the Delegates voting. All members of MSMA are privileged and urged to attend the sessions of the House of Delegates and meetings of the Reference Committees. While discussion in the House is limited to Delegates, any Association member may present his or her viewpoint during meetings of Reference Committees when recognized by the Chair.

Proceedings

Proceedings of the House of Delegates are conducted in accordance with Sturgis Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure.
Presidential Inauguration

The Inaugural Ceremony and Reception for incoming Association President James A. DiRenna, Jr., DO, FAAFP, Kansas City, is Saturday, April 6. Seating will begin at 5:45 p.m., with the ceremony beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the reception following.

Diana Corzine, St. Joseph, 2019-20 MSMA Alliance President, will also be honored. This event does not require tickets or reservations.

MSMA Alliance

The 94th Annual Meeting of the MSMA Alliance will be held in conjunction with MSMA, Friday, April 5, and Saturday, April 6. Speakers include guests from the American Medical Association Alliance and the Southern Medical Association Alliance.

Alliance Foundation Fundraisers

Join the Alliance’s “The British Invasion,” the Foundation Fundraiser and Dinner on Friday, April 5, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Enjoy an evening with music, delicious food, and fantastic drawings for great prizes, while raising funds for the Missouri State Medical Foundation. The MSMA Alliance will also feature a Hospitality and Fashion Show with the “Cabi” clothing line on Thursday, April 5. A percentage of the proceeds will be directed to the MSMF.

Component/Specialty Society Leaders Meeting

All leaders (presidents, presidents-elect, etc.) and staff who represent local and medical specialty societies are encouraged to attend this interactive session on Saturday, April 6, to share experiences, successes, and challenges within organized medicine.

MSMA Boards and Local Component Societies

Caucuses, luncheons, and business meetings will be held throughout the Convention by the MSMA Insurance Agency, Missouri Medical Political Action Committee, Missouri State Medical Foundation, Kansas City Medical Society, and the St. Louis Metropolitan Medical Society.

Medical School Alumni Receptions

The schools of medicine from Washington University, University of Missouri-Columbia, and University of Missouri-Kansas City will host receptions on Friday, April 5.

Section Meetings

The following MSMA Sections will hold business meetings and programming: Organized Medical Staff, International Medical Graduate, Young Physician, Resident and Fellow, and Medical Student.

CME/MOC Procedures

MSMA programming includes six general sessions available for AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ and Maintenance of Certification points in the American Board of Internal Medicine’s program. CME/MOC is free for MSMA members. Programming procedures, guidelines, evaluations, disclosures, and medical specialties will be listed in the official program and online.

Medical Specialty Meetings and Events

The following medical specialties and organizations are meeting in conjunction with MSMA’s Annual Convention. Visit www.msma.org/scientific-programs for more information.

- Gastroenterology
- Obstetrics & Gynecology
- Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery
- Organized Medical Staff Section
- Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
- Psychiatry
- Radiology

MSMA Membership Resources

MSMA’s Membership Division invites you to stop by the Association’s booth near the Registration Desk for information about membership services and the benefits of supporting organized medicine.

MSMA Insurance Agency Booth

Professionals from MSMA’s Insurance Agency will be on hand to discuss a multitude of coverage options that fit your specific needs.

Exhibit Hall Schedule

The Exhibit Hall will be open on Friday, April 5, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Saturday, April 6, 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Breakfast/Afternoon Refreshments

Join colleagues, spouses, guests, and exhibit partners for complimentary breaks in the Exhibit Hall, including a continental breakfast, mid-morning break, and afternoon refreshment on Friday, and a continental breakfast on Saturday.

Open Attendance Policy

The MSMA Annual Convention offers an “Open Attendance Policy” to all Convention attendees. Exceptions are food programs, which are members- or reservations-only, or closed board/business meetings.

Appropriate Attire

Appropriate attire for the Convention is business casual for all sessions and events, except the Presidential Inauguration and Reception on Saturday evening, which calls for Black Tie Optional or Business Formal.

Meeting, Location, and Time Assignments

All room and time assignments will be listed in the Convention Official Program. Any changes to the schedule are available at the MSMA Registration Desk.
MSMA General Sessions

Friday, April 5 | 1:30 pm
The Science of Near-Death Experiences
John C. Hagan, III, MD
Editor, Missouri Medicine
Ophthalmologist
Kansas City, Missouri

Friday, April 5 | 3:30 pm
Gen Nation: Making Sense of Generational Differences in the Workplace and Beyond*
Michael Wood, Co-Founder
747 Insights
Des Moines, Iowa

*No ABIM/MOC Points offered for this session

Saturday, April 6 | 8:00 am
Non-Opioid Pain Medicine
(The Other Pills Used to Cure the Ills)
Nicholas Madaffer, MD
Assistant Professor
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
University of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri

Saturday, April 6 | 10:00 am
Alcoholics in the Hospital: Patients, Not Staff
Joan Shaffer, MD
Adult Intensivist
Mercy St. Louis
St. Louis, Missouri

Saturday, April 6 | 1:30 pm
Physician Suicide: The Silent Epidemic
Amanda Kingston, MD
Assistant Professor Psychiatry
University of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri

Saturday, April 6 | 3:30 pm
OMSS PRESENTATION
Data & Leverage in Physician Employment Negotiations
Kyle Claussen, Vice President
Resolve Physician Agency
Columbia, Missouri

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Call MSMA at 800-869-6762

Room Reservation Deadline: March 4
Call the Westin Crown Center/Kansas City at 888-625-4988
Pre-Convention Meetings

**Thursday, April 4**
- 2:30 pm MSMA Insurance Agency Board Meeting
- 3:30 pm MSMA Executive Committee
- 3:30-6:00 pm Convention Registration
- 3:30-6:00 pm Exhibitor Setup & Registration
- 5:00 pm MSMA Council Meeting
- 6:30 pm Alliance Dutch Treat Dinner
- 6:30 pm MSMA Council Reception & Dinner

Convention Meetings

**Friday, April 5**
- 6:30 am-4:00 pm Convention Registration
- 6:45 am Moneta Group Investment Advisors Breakfast
- 7:00 am Exhibit Hall Opens/Continental Breakfast for all Conferees
- 8:00 am Opening Session
  - MSMA House of Delegates
- 8:30 am Alliance Board Meeting
- 10:00 am Reference Committee A
- 10:30 am Reference Committee B
- 11:00 am Missouri Physicians Health Luncheon & Meeting
- Noon SLMMCA/Caucus & Luncheon
- Noon KCMS Caucus & Luncheon
- 1:30 pm MSMA General Session
- 3:30 pm MSMA General Session
- 4:30 pm Alliance Past President’s Reception
- 5:00 pm Organized Medical Staff Section Business Meeting
- 5:00 pm Medical Student Section Business Meeting
- 5:30 pm Medical School Alumni Receptions
- 7:00 pm Alliance Foundation Fundraiser/Dinner
- 7:00 pm Resident and Medical Student Mixer

**Saturday, April 6**
- 6:30 am-4:00 pm Convention Registration
- 7:00 am Exhibit Hall Opens/Continental Breakfast for all Conferees
- All Day CME Programs, Lectures & Meal Functions
- 7:00 am International Medical Graduate Section Meeting
- 8:00 am MSMA General Session
- 8:30 am Alliance General Assembly - Session II
- 10:00 am MSMA General Session
- 10:00 am MMPAC Meeting
- 10:15 am Resident and Fellow Section Business Meeting
- 10:30 am Exhibit Hall Closes
- 10:45 am Young Physician Section Business Meeting
- 11:15 am Resident and Fellow Section/Young Physicians Section/Medical Student Section Program
- Noon SHINE of Missouri Product Theater
- 12:30 pm Alliance Installation Luncheon
- 1:00 pm AMA Issues
- 1:30 pm MSMA General Session

**Sunday, April 7**
- 7:00 am District Breakfasts & Caucuses
- 8:15 am Second MSMA House of Delegates
- Immediately Following Closure of the HOD
  - MSMA Council Meeting

Program subject to Change. Refer to Convention Official Program for times and meeting locations. For more information, contact MSMA’s Benita Stennis, at 800-869-6762 or bstennis@msma.org.

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