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In Memoriam

DANIEL A. DEVRIES, MD

Dr. Daniel DeVries passed away Wednesday, June 6, 2018. Dr. DeVries was a graduate of Calvin College and University of Chicago Medical School. He served two years in the US Army after completing his internship, followed by his general surgery residency at Blodgett Hospital in Grand Rapids. Dr. DeVries spent his entire career as a general surgeon and general practitioner at Blodgett Hospital until his retirement in 2013. He also devoted many years to Pine Rest Christian Hospital and CRWRC by serving each as their Board President. Dr. Daniel DeVries was a member of the Kent County Medical Society since 1968.

JAMES W. MCCARTHY, MD

Dr. James McCarthy passed away on Sunday, August 5, 2018. Dr. McCarthy graduated from Michigan State University and Wayne State University School of Medicine. He completed his pediatric residency at the University of Rochester School of Medicine. Dr. McCarthy served two years in the Army at Fort Gordon, Georgia after which time he joined private pediatric practice in Grand Rapids working there for over 35 years. He was one of the founders of the Grand Rapids Area Pediatric Evening Services clinic. Dr. James McCarthy was a member of the Kent County Medical Society since 1973.

VERNON D. VAANDRAGER, MD

Dr. Vernon Vaandrager passed away on Monday, October 29, 2018. Dr. Vaandrager proudly served in the United States Army for 2 years before pursuing his education at Calvin College and the University of Iowa Medical School. He moved back to Grand Rapids for his medical internship at Butterworth Hospital and went on to practice as a pediatrician in the Grand Rapids area for over 33 years before retiring in the summer of 1999. Dr. Vaandrager had a special interest in cystic fibrosis and served as Clinic Director for cystic fibrosis at Butterworth Hospital. Dr. Vernon Vaandrager was a member of the Kent County Medical Society since 1964.

EVELYN E. VANDERVEEN, MD

Dr. Evelyn Vanderveen passed away on Friday, October 5, 2018. Dr. Vanderveen was a graduate of Michigan State University and University of Michigan Medical School with high distinction. She completed her dermatology residency and fellowship in dermatologic surgery and oncology also at the University of Michigan. Dr. Vanderveen was inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha Honorary Medical Society, and was board certified by the American Academy of Dermatology and the American Board of Mohs Micrographic Surgery and Cutaneous Oncology, currently known as the

American College of Mohs Surgery. She will be fondly remembered as one of the area's best dermatologists and Mohs surgeon. Dr. Evelyn Vanderveen was a member of the Kent County Medical Society since 1985.

PETER D. VAN VLIET, MD

Dr. Peter Van Vliet passed away on Friday, November 23, 2018. Dr. Van Vliet graduated from Calvin College and Northwestern University Medical School. After his residency in pathology at the Mayo Clinic, Dr. Van Vliet accepted a position in the pathology department at Butterworth Hospital, now Spectrum Health. During his long career there, he served on the hospital Board of Directors for 17 years, and was also elected Chief of Medical Staff, serving for 4 years. Dr. Van Vliet served on many boards including the Kent County Medical Society, serving as President in 1987. He served on the ad hoc committee for the merger of Butterworth and Blodgett hospitals later becoming Vice President of Medical Affairs at the newly formed Spectrum Health. Dr. Peter Van Vliet was a member of the Kent County Medical Society since 1960.

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KCMS ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERSHIP
Watermark Country Club | 6:30-8:30pm

FEBRUARY 11, 2019
KCMS/KCOA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
Masonic Center | Noon

MARCH 21, 2019
DOCTORS' DAY CELEBRATION
EVE at the B.O.B. | 6:30pm

MARCH 25, 2019
KMF NICOTEAM JURIED POSTER CONTEST
GR Art Museum | 4pm

MARCH 30, 2019
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APRIL 8, 2019
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Masonic Center | Noon

APRIL 15, 2019
KMF NICOTEAM AWARDS CEREMONY
GR Art Museum | 4pm

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Eric Larson, MD
2018 KCMS President,
Board of Directors

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The KCMS Board of Directors welcomes members' involvement in committees. The following committees have openings:

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Function: To review editorial content and to review the layout and design of the Bulletin. Assist the KCMS Staff with edits of the quarterly magazine, the Bulletin, via email and phone.

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Function: To be patient advocates and to educate area legislators of the effects of proposed legislation on the practice of medicine. The committee meets at noon on the 2nd Monday of selected months and welcomes involvement by elected officials.

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Function: The Membership Committee shall review all applications for membership, make recommendations of membership to the Board of Directors, have responsibility for retaining members, and conduct an orientation of new members. Members work with KCMS staff by emailed document transfers and phone calls.

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Maintenance of Certification Discussion



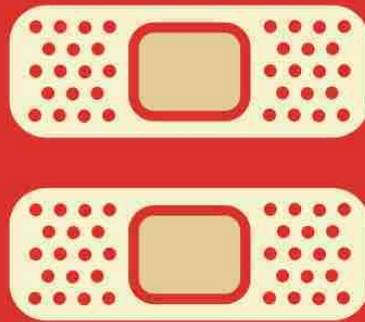
KCMS Members (from left to right) Drs. Jayne Courts, Don Condit, Sandy Dettmann and Meg Edison met with Michigan State Senate candidate (29th District), Rep. Chris Afendoulis to discuss Maintenance of Certification (MOC).

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- Inter-professionalism: Cultivating Collaboration
- Medical Ethics – Conscientious Objection among Physicians*
- Medical Ethics: Introduction to Medical Ethics & Ethics Hot Topics*
- Opioids and Michigan Workers' Compensation Webinar
- Pain and Symptom Management Series*
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 1 *Pain and Opioid Management 2017*
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 2 *The CDC Guidelines*
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 3 *Treatment of Opioid Dependence*
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 4 *The Current Epidemic and Standards of Care*
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 5 *The Role of the Laboratory in Toxicology and Drug Testing*
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 6 *Michigan Automated Prescription System (MAPS) Update*
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 7 *MAPS Update & Opportunities*
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 8 *2018 Prescribing Legislation*
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 9 *Balancing Pain Treatment and Legal Responsibilities*

- Patient Portals as a Tool for Patient Engagement
- Physician Online Rating and Reviews: Do's and Don'ts
- Preparing for the Medicare Physician Value-Based Payment Modifier
- What's New in Labor and Employment Law

FREE CME WEBINARS

- 2018 Prescribing Legislation (part of the Pain and Symptom Management Series)*
- Choosing Wisely, Part 1 *Stewards of our Health Care Resources*
- Choosing Wisely, Part 2 *Change Strategies to Implement Choosing Wisely*
- Health Care Providers' Role in Screening and Counseling for Interpersonal and Domestic Violence: Dilemmas and Opportunities
- In Search of Joy in Practice: Innovations in Patient Centered Care
- Legalities and Practicalities of HIT—Cyber Security: Issues and Liability Coverage
- Legalities and Practicalities of HIT—Engaging Patients on Their Own Turf: Using Websites and Social Media
- Pain and Symptom Management Series
 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 6 *Michigan Automated Prescription System (MAPS) Update*
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 - Pain and Symptom Management, Part 9 *Balancing Pain Treatment and Legal Responsibilities*
- MACRA Series
 - Key Things You Should Know About MACRA
 - Roadmap for Getting Started
 - MACRA: Alignment Strategy
 - The Role of Documentation

- Technology Survival Tips to Tackle MACRA
- Navigating Need to Know Resources
- MACRA's Quality Payment Program: Highlights for 2018
- Taking Control of MACRA with a QCDR
- MAPS Update and Opportunities (part of the Pain and Symptom Management Series)*
- Michigan Automated Prescription System (MAPS) Update (part of the Pain and Symptom Management Series)*
- Section 1557: Anti-Discrimination Obligations
- Understanding and Preventing Identity Theft in Your Practice

CODING AND BILLING WEBINARS

- Billing 101
- Claim Appeals
- Complete Coding Updates for 2018
- Compliance in the Office
- Credentialing
- ICD-10 for 2017 & Routine Waiver of Co-pays
- ICD-10 What We Have Learned & What We Need to Know
- Managing Accounts Receivable
- Reading Remittance Advice
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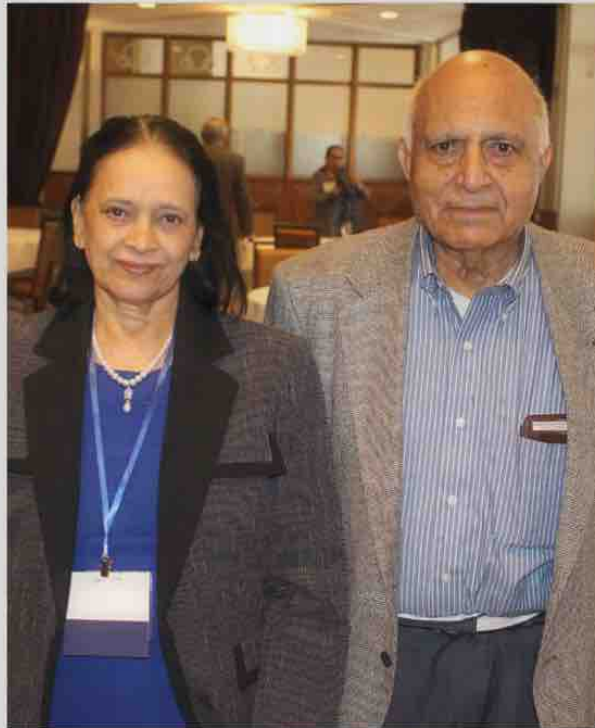
Ten Books for Medical Leaders

1. *On Pluto: Inside the Mind of Alzheimer's* by Greg O'Brien
2. *The Patient Will See You Now: The Future of Medicine is in Your Hands* by Eric Topol, MD
3. *Better: A Surgeon's Notes on Performance* by Atul Gawande, MD
4. *Humble Inquiry: The Gentle Art of Asking Instead of Telling* by Edgar Schein
5. *The Emperor's Handbook: A New Translation of The Meditations* By Marcus Aurelius, translation by C. Scot Hicks and David Hicks
6. *Churchill: The Power of Words* by Winston Churchill; selected, edited, and introduced by Martin Gilbert
7. *Unconventional Leadership: What Henry Ford and Detroit Taught Me About Reinvention and Diversity* by Nancy Schlichting, CEO of Henry Ford Health System
8. *Smarter Faster Better: The Secrets of Being Productive in Life and Business* by Charles Duhigg
9. *What She Left Behind* by Ellen Marie Wiseman
10. *Pearls for Leaders in Academic Medicine* by D. Clawson, Emery A Wilson, and Jay A. Perman



50 Year Award

Dr. Mithilesh Mishra and her husband, Jitendra, as photographed at the 2018 Award Luncheon sponsored by Michigan State Medical Society. Dr. Mishra celebrated being involved in medicine for 50 years. She has been a member of the Kent County Medical Society since 1984. Congratulations Dr. Mishra!



Welcome

Welcome to the new Student Members of the KCMS. They are 2022 MD Candidates of Michigan State University College of Human Medicine in Grand Rapids.

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| Aqieda Bayat | Heather Martin |
| Arrionna Dryden | Lena Mishack |
| Nisha Korakavi | Tudor Moldovan |
| Michael Y. Lee | Kendall I. Stevens |
| Kelvin Lim | Alexandria R. Still |
| Khyllian I. Lowry | Samuel J. Surgalski |
| Alexis Maroney | |



MOC Reform Update

Thanks to the leadership of KCMS President-Elect Megan Edison, MD and MSMS, partnered with the voices of many Michigan physicians, Alliance members, patients and office staff, Maintenance of Certification (MOC) bills (HBs 4134, 4135) cleared the Senate Health Policy Committee. The two bills, sponsored by Rep. Edward 'Ned' Canfield, DO, are expected to be put before the full Senate and then put before the Governor for signing into law.

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Tim Long, Wealth Management Advisor with Merrill Lynch addressing the audience



Members Attend Educational Evening

An evening with financial and practice education was provided for KCMS and KCOA members. Special thanks to Merrill Lynch Bank of America for their generous support of the evening, which was held in the new offices of the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce. Thank you to Tim Long, CIMA, MBA, of Merrill Lynch for his presentation on "Avoiding Life's Financial Pitfalls" and Dr. Belén Amat, who gave an overview on Direct Primary Care practice. Dr. Amat provided resources and advantages for practicing in Primary Care in a DPC practice model. More than 70 members enjoyed the evening. Thank you Merrill Lynch Bank of America for your investment in local physicians.



KCMS President Eric Larson, MD welcomes attendees.



Drs. Vincent Dubravec and David Hammond visit

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Left: Donald Condit, MD, MBA

Below: Belén Amat, MD educates on Direct Primary Care.




Nicolas Fletcher, Tim Long and KCMS Board Member Jayne Courts, MD



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Left to right: Award winner Khan Nedd, MD; Boy Scouts Board Chairman, John Fox, MD; award winner Robert Daniels, MD, and Aaron Gach, Boy Scouts of America - President Ford Field Service Council Executive



Michael Jakubowski, MD



Physicians Honored for Citizenship

Eight West Michigan physicians were nominated in recognition of their dedication, commitment, and professionalism by the President Ford Field Service Council, Boy Scouts of America. Many physicians are former scouts, Eagle Scouts or as adults have been involved in scouting organizations. The Inaugural Physician Citizenship Award ceremony was sponsored by the Kent County Medical Society, Kent County Osteopathic Association and the Ottawa County Medical Society and was held on November 13 at the Vander Mill Cider Tap Room. Physicians, colleagues, office staff, and friends gathered to honor the nominees for the newly established award. The nominees were the following physicians:

- **Donald Condit, MD, MBA**
- **Robert Daniels, MD**
- **Randall Duthler, MD**
- **Ken Fawcett, MD**
- **Dale McNinch, DO**
- **Khan Nedd, MD**
- **Harpreet Singh, MD**
- **Philip Waalkes, DO**



Left:
Pat and Ralph
Walsh, DO



Left to right: Darryl Elmouchi, MD, award nominee Harpreet Singh, MD, Ryan Kriesch, Program Director, Boy Scouts of America - President Ford Field Service Council, and Ryan Powers, Vice President, Spectrum Health Ventures





2018 Award Recipients

Robert Daniels, MD and Khan Nedd, MD were the 2018 recipients of the Physician Citizenship Award.

DR. ROBERT L. DANIELS

Dr. Robert L. Daniels is a graduate of The Ohio State University College of Medicine. He has a practice limited to Otolaryngology, Neurotology and Skull Base Surgery since 1999. Dr. Daniels is a member of the American Neurologic Society, American Academy of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery and the Michigan Otolaryngological Society. Dr. Daniels specializes in the treatment of patients with diseases and disorders of the ear and skull base, including acoustic tumors, otosclerosis and cholesteatomas. Dr. Daniels has been a KCMS Member since 1999.



DR. KHAN NEDD

Dr. Khan Nedd currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer of Answer Health, an integrated clinical network of independent physicians in West Michigan focused on keeping practitioner costs down and service levels high. He is also the president and medical director of Infusion Associates, an independently owned infusion center where patients receive intravenous therapies. A board-certified internist, Dr. Nedd has broad-based medical experience as an internist, hospitalist and infusion therapy specialist. He also currently serves on several other boards of directors, including: W. K. Kellogg Foundation, Hope Network, Grand Rapids African American Institute, Key Green Solutions, Hospice of Michigan and Spectrum Health Hospital. In addition to conducting ongoing research and making presentations to health care organizations and physicians across the country, Dr. Nedd is involved in a variety of business ventures and start-up companies including Infusion Associates and the Hospitalist Organization of Western Michigan. Dr. Nedd has been a KCMS Member since 1995.



Thank You Volunteers

Darryl Elmouchi, MD and **David Krhovsky, MD** served as Honorary Co-Chairs of the event. Boy Scouts Board Chairman, **John Fox, MD** led the volunteer committee for the event, which included the following Kent County Medical Society, Kent County Osteopathic Association and Ottawa County Medical Society Members:

- **Robert Daniels, MD**
- **Shelly Drew, DO**
- **Steve DeRoos, MD**
- **Nick Kokx, MD**
- **Karl Roberts, MD**
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Right: David Krhovsky, MD



Below: John Fox, MD and Ralph Walsh, DO



Left: Award Winner Robert Daniels, MD

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Congratulations Dr. Kornoelje

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Dedication and Giving Back

President, Adam Wolfe, DO and Retired Family Physician, Norman Keller, DO are engaging Retired Physicians in the KCOA. Thank you for considering a sponsorship with the KCOA. End of the year gifts may be made on-line and/or mailed to the KCOA office. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, contact the KCOA office at 616-458-4157.

Supporting West Michigan Scouting

Dr. Ralph Walsh participated on the Boy Scout Committee honoring Physician Citizenship. The



inaugural event, co-sponsored by the Kent County Osteopathic Association honored West Michigan Physicians who are Eagle Scouts, former scouts, or currently serve in a mentoring, volunteering, and/or coordinating role with the Boy Scouts of America. Thank you

to Dr. Ralph Walsh and all physicians who support Scouting in West Michigan.

Thank You for Paying Your Dues Promptly

Just in time for holiday shopping (for themselves or others), two physicians who paid their dues by November 12 were the random recipients of the drawing for Amazon Gift Cards. Thank you to Joanne Grzeszak, DO and Edward Lee, DO for your continued membership in the KCOA. Congratulations and Happy Shopping!

KCOA estimates 1% of your 2019 membership dues will be nondeductible as this portion is allocable to lobbying as defined by law. If you pay your 2019 dues prior to December 31, 2018, you may deduct up to 99% as a business expense.

In Memoriam

HENRY F. OLEN, DO

Dr. Henry Olen passed away on Thursday, November 29, 2018. He was a veteran of World War II and received his medical degree from the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine followed by an internship at Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital. Dr. Olen was among the founding fathers of Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital, where he served as chief of staff and was active in the transition into what is now Metro Health. He had a thriving general practice on the Westside of Grand Rapids for over 20 years and went on to serve as deputy director of the Kent County Health Department for 10 years. Dr. Olen finished his medical career caring for our veterans at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans well into his mid-80's. He was a tireless advocate in the advancement of the osteopathic medicine and encouraged many current physicians to consider the pursuit of the osteopathic profession. Dr. Olen was past president of the Kent County Osteopathic Association and the Michigan Osteopathic Association and a member of the Board of Trustees of the American Osteopathic Association. Dr. Henry Olen served as a member on countless committees and boards in the osteopathic profession including ethics, legislative, and organizational.

WWW.KCOA-MI.ORG

Check Out New KCOA Website



The recently updated KCOA website is receiving positive reviews. Please visit the website and be sure to respond to any member surveys and opportunities to tell the Board what you would like to see on the website and with the KCOA.



KCOA Resident Board Member, Claire Hamman, DO, visits with other Residents.



Brian Klesmith and Jessica Hulbert, DO



Bill Sanders, DO with Lisa and Jeff Postlewaite, DO



Kenyon Kendall, DO and a guest

Night at the Knickerbocker

The Kent County Osteopathic Association hosted its first quarterly social event, welcomed physicians and spouses at the Knickerbocker on November 14. In addition to assisting Osteopathic Physicians with medical education needs, legislative issues related to medicine and the delivery of care, your KCOA Board wants to provide physicians the opportunity for camaraderie, which contributes to healthy and happy physicians.



Dr. Jim and Eleanor Mitton enjoy catching up with KCOA Board Member, Norm Keller, DO.



KCOA Board Members, Chris Barnes, DO, and Bill Sanders, DO with KCOA Board President Adam Wolfe, DO

CME Opportunities for KCOA Members

KCOA

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY-COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE CME

Pediatric Update 2019

Saturday, February 23, 2019
Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center | East Lansing, MI

- **Number of CME Credit Hours Available:** 8 1-A credits
- **Brochure & Registration:** Available Fall 2018

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY-COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE CME

Macomb Spring CME Update 2019

Saturday, March 16, 2019
Macomb Community College | Clinton Township, MI

- **Number of CME Credit Hours Available:** 8 1-A credits
- **Brochure & Registration:** Available Fall 2018

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY-COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE CME

Summer Symposium 2019

Friday, June 21, 2019 to Sunday, June 23, 2019
Park Place Hotel | Traverse City, MI

- **Number of CME Credit Hours Available:** 15 1-A credits
- **Brochure & Registration:** Available 2019

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY-COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE CME AVAILABLE ONLINE

- **Number of CME Credit Hours Available:** Up to 56 1-B credits available.
- **Number of CME Credit Hours Available: Visit:** <http://hal.bim.msu.edu/CMEonLine/start.html>

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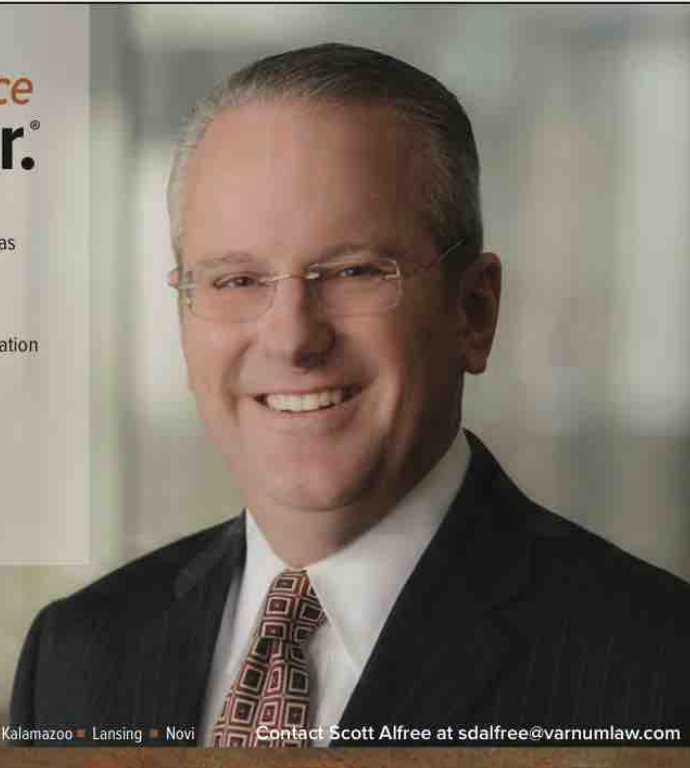
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Super Doctor



Doctors' Day is March 30,
but we're going to celebrate
a little early. Join us
Thursday, March 21, 2019
at EVE at the B.O.B.

DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Save the Date

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2019

Doctors' Day Pre-Celebration



KENT MEDICAL FOUNDATION



Jayne E. Courts, MD
2018 Kent Medical
Foundation, Board Chair

Physicians Honored for Giving Back

The Kent Medical Foundation Board of Directors wishes to recognize two physicians who donate time and talent to local non-profit organizations.

DR. PAUL FARR

Dr. Paul Farr has been on the Board of Directors at Holland Home for over eight years and also serves on the Finance Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee. "It is a privilege to contribute time to Holland Home. Elder care is underappreciated in our country, and it is an important part of global health care. Holland Home goes out of its way to live up to its mission, providing vibrant living for its residents and the people we serve in the community."



DR. FARR

DR. CHRISTOPHER SHERRY

Dr. Christopher Sherry and his wife, Kari (pictured right), enjoy giving back to the Grand Rapids Children's Museum. After moving to Grand Rapids, he and his wife both actively began volunteering for the GRMC and co-chairing events, donating and most importantly, coming to play! Recently, Dr. Sherry volunteered on the planning committee for the Grand



DR. SHERRY



Rapids Children's Museum Block Party, an adults-only birthday party celebrating 21 years for the GRMC. The party is its primary fundraising event for the year, contributing to the mission of building minds through play.

A gift of \$250 in honor of these members has been donated by the Kent Medical Foundation to Holland home and the Grand Rapids Children's Museum, respectively.



Thank You 2018 Holiday Card Donors

Donations received by November 28 were included in the 2018 Holiday Card mailing. However, it is not too late to donate! End of the year donations to the annual Holiday Campaign will be accepted until December 31. All donor names will be listed in the 2019 Spring Bulletin magazine.

KMF joins recognition of West Michigan Physicians, Boy Scouts

The Kent Medical Foundation salutes the many physicians who have been involved in the Boy Scouts of America and those who continue to mentor and support the efforts of Scouting in West Michigan. The Kent Medical Foundation contributed dinner gift cards to each of the physicians to celebrate being nominated for the prestigious inaugural award.

In addition, the KMF also made a donation of \$250 to the President Ford Field Service Council in recognition of both Robert Daniels, MD, and Khan Nedd, MD who were selected as recipients of the 2018 Physician Citizenship Award. Thank you for the ongoing gift of your legacy.



The 2019 dates for the annual nicoTEAM event are set!

MARCH 25, 2019

**KMF NICOTEAM JURIED
POSTER CONTEST**

GR Art Museum | 4pm

APRIL 15, 2019

**KMF NICOTEAM
AWARDS CEREMONY**

GR Art Museum | 4pm

Consider Supporting KMF, KCMS Alliance

Charitable giving is an important part of the legacy you choose to leave. At this time of year, many of us are considering our year-end philanthropic support. Please consider the Kent Medical Foundation or the KCMS Alliance Foundation. Checks should be endorsed to the specific agency you wish to support:

- Kent Medical Foundation** (EIN 38-6089794)
 KCMS Alliance Foundation (EIN 38-3336422)

LEAVE A LEGACY

Did you know that making charitable contributions through your will allows you to support the organizations you care about, while maximizing the tax benefits to

your estate. You may make a bequest to either of these charities as well. You may also donate by creating a new will, providing an amendment to your existing will or naming any charity you wish in your living trust.

Simply use the following sample language:

"I give, devise, and bequeath
 _____ [\$ amount] or [% of estate] _____ to
 _____ (charity)."

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C/O Kent County Medical Society Office
 233 East Fulton, Suite 222; Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



This year, after evaluating our recent fundraising efforts, the Alliance decided to scale back and host smaller events to support our Foundation's grant programs. Boots and Bourbon was an evening where members, spouses, and friends gathered, participated in bourbon tasting and a cooking demonstration, and

learned a little more about the Alliance Foundation. The focus was on social and fun! Proceeds will support our Foundation's grant programs.

The next of our FUNdraisers will be held in February at the Fowling Warehouse. Fowling is a game that combines football and bowling. KCMS and KCOA will be invited to join us as we have a little fun and at the same time raise money for a good cause. Fowlers and non-fowlers are welcome. Details are currently being worked out and will be announced soon! We look forward to organizing more experiences where we can all easily come together socially and support our grant programs.

Sincerely,

*Susan Jebson
KCMSA President*

Membership in the Kent County Medical Society Alliance

Spouses and partners of physicians, residents and medical students are encouraged to join the KCMS Alliance. You may pay membership dues for the 2018-19 year instantly at kcmsalliance.org/join. Our membership year is July 1-June 30. We would love for you to be on board this year.

winter calendar

- 12 | 04 **Membership Meeting** (All welcome)
9:30am Masonic Center | GR
- 12 | 11 **Social: Holiday Open House**
noon-3pm Collection for Baxter Community Center
- 12 | 13 **Philanthropy: Baxter Holiday Party**
9:30am Baxter Child Development Center | GR
- 12 | 18 **Book Club**
noon Schuler Books | Kentwood
"News of the World" by Paulette Jiles
- 01 | 08 **Membership Meeting** (All welcome)
9:30am Masonic Center | GR
- 01 | 15 **Book Club**
noon Schuler Books | Kentwood
Book to be determined
- 01 | 17 **Time & Talent: A Night at the Museum**
6pm Grand Rapids Children's Museum | GR
Members and their teens will spend an evening full of fun activities for the kids with the families of Baxter Child Development Center.
- 02 | 05 **Membership Meeting** (All welcome)
9:30am Masonic Center | GR
- 02 | 09 **Fundraiser: Fowling Night Out**
6pm-8pm Fowling Warehouse | Cascade
For KCMS, KCOA and KCMSA members
- 02 | 15 **Mini Grant Applications Due**
Please submit online at www.kcmsalliance.org or via email to foundation.president@kcmsalliance.org. See website for application and details.
- 02 | 19 **Book Club**
noon Schuler Books | Kentwood
Book to be determined
- 02 | 20 **Michigan State Medical Society Alliance Legislative Day**

All current and prospective members are welcome to attend any calendar event! For more information please use our website KCMSAlliance.org or email president@kcmsalliance.org

We want to connect with you!

Join the Alliance online today at:
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Event Recap fall 2018

September

Art Prize Walking Tour

Alliance members from Kent, Kalamazoo, Ingham, and Genesee counties gathered for a docent led walking tour of many Art Prize exhibits.



October

Michigan State Medical Society Alliance Focus on Inspiration Symposium

Kent County members joined other Alliances from across the state and listened to Judge Rosemarie Aquilina, who presided over the Nasser trial, speak about the importance of having all voices heard in the courtroom.



Wine Social and Safe Haven Collection

Members learned more about Safe Haven Ministries and domestic abuse in Grand Rapids, and collected wish list items and funds to donate to Safe Haven's new shelter for women and their children. The Alliance presented a check for \$740 as well as many supplies for their new home.



Site Visit and Information Session at Our Hope Association

Members learned about this nonprofit addiction recovery program for women housed in Heritage Hill.



November

Boots and Bourbon Fundraising Event

Members, spouses and friends donned their favorite boots for a FUNdraiser complete with a cooking demonstration, bourbon tasting, door prizes, and delicious appetizers. All proceeds support Alliance Foundation grant programs.



Dr. Nirali Bora Joins KCHD as Medical Director

The Kent County Health Department (KCHD) has announced that Dr. Nirali Bora will fill the role of the department's Medical Director vacated recently by Dr. Mark Hall. Bora received her education at Brown University and the University of Michigan. She has most recently worked as a family practice physician at Mercy Health.

KCHD

Adam London, Administrative Health Officer at KCHD, said that the recruiting and selection process focused on finding an individual whose understanding of public health included a genuine care for others. "It is important that this person understands the social



Nirali Bora, MD
Kent County Health
Department Medical
Director

determinants of health and the stresses that challenge so many in our community," said London.

Dr. Bora says even before she was "sure about medicine" she had an interest in public health. "My interest was initially in environmental health and social justice," said Dr. Bora. "People who are in more vulnerable populations or have lower socio-economic means, are often living in environments that are not contributing to their health and it makes it harder for them to have equality in terms of health care."

Bora says while her initial goal was to do some sort of public health work the idea remained nebulous. Practicing medicine, she thought, was an opportunity to help people. Bora says she remembers thinking, "Well, I know I can help people as a doctor and then I can figure out the public health piece." She adds "Family medicine was an easy choice because prevention is what I care about."

After her residency and spending time working with residents of a Navajo reservation in New Mexico, the Forest Hills Central grad found her way back to Kent County.

Bora says when the Medical Director's position at KCHD opened up, "It just seemed quite perfect for my interests. I think I have always been wanting a way to combine my interests and was never quite sure how to practically make that happen."

Dr. Nirali Bora is not a stranger to many staff at KCHD. She has volunteered her time since 2013, helping with community health improvement initiatives and with other health collaboratives in the community. Bora has also been a champion for the health of refugees living in Kent County.

Bora, whose first day at KCHD was September 4, 2018, is looking forward to the learning process ahead, "I think we have such a great team here with so much knowledge and people interested in collaborating. I am looking forward to the experience."

Bora is also working to earn a graduate degree in Public Health at Johns Hopkins University. When she is not working, Dr. Nirali Bora says she enjoys spending time with her husband and two sons, enjoying the outdoors and travelling.



Notifiable Disease Report

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700 Fuller N.E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503
www.accesskent.com/health

Communicable Disease Section
Phone (616) 632-7228
Fax (616) 632-7085

October 2018

Notifiable diseases reported for Kent County residents through end of month listed above.

DISEASE	NUMBER REPORTED		MEDIAN CUMULATIVE
	This Month	Cumulative 2018	Through October 2013-2017
AIDS	N/A	8	13
HIV	N/A	17	N/A
CAMPYLOBACTER	8	101	76
CHICKEN POX ^a	1	26	19
CHLAMYDIA	321	3350	3126
CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS	0	28	13
Shiga Toxin Producing E. Coli	4	18	12
GIARDIASIS	0	18	52
GONORRHEA	125	1081	667
H. INFLUENZAE DISEASE, INV	0	8	8
HEPATITIS A	1	7	1
HEPATITIS B (Acute)	0	0	2
HEPATITIS C (Acute)	0	8	2
HEPATITIS C (Chronic/Unknown)	22	187	258
INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESS ^b	3992	39334	35416
LEGIONELLOSIS	1	16	4
LYME DISEASE	0	4	11
MENINGITIS, ASEPTIC	3	26	38
MENINGITIS, BACTERIAL, OTHER ^c	1	14	10
MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE, INV	0	0	0
MUMPS	0	0	0
PERTUSSIS	0	9	12
SALMONELLOSIS	5	62	52
SHIGELLOSIS	0	19	8
STREP, GRP A, INV	1	17	29
STREP PNEUMO, INV	1	43	40
SYPHILIS (Primary & Secondary)	0	2	17
TUBERCULOSIS	1	9	9
WEST NILE VIRUS	3	11	0

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES OF LOW FREQUENCY

DISEASE	NUMBER REPORTED Cumulative 2018	DISEASE	NUMBER REPORTED Cumulative 2018
Dengue Fever	1	Kawasaki	4
Malaria	6	Guillain-Barre Syndrome	1
Blastomycosis	1	Erlchiosis	1
Vibriosis - Non Cholera	2		
Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease	1		

a. Chickenpox cases are reported primarily from schools. Confirmed and probable cases are included.

b. Includes "Influenza-Like Illness (ILI)" and lab-confirmed influenza. ILI cases have flu-like symptoms and are reported primarily by schools.

c. "Meningitis, Bacterial, Other" includes meningitis and bacteremia caused by bacteria OTHER THAN H. influenzae, N. meningitidis, or S. pneumoniae.

Except for Chickenpox, Campylobacter, Cryptosporidiosis, Shiga-Toxin Producing E. Coli, Salmonellosis, Shigellosis & Influenza-Like Illness, only confirmed cases (as defined by National Surveillance Case Definitions: <http://www.cdc.gov/nndss/script/casedefDefault.aspx>) are included. Reports are considered provisional and subject to updating when more specific information becomes available.

KCHD

MSU COLLEGE OF HUMAN MEDICINE



Angela Thompson-Busch, MD, PhD
Assistant Dean, Michigan State
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Medicine Grand Rapids Campus

Shared Discovery Curriculum

In August 2016, Michigan State University College of Human Medicine launched its innovative new competency-based curriculum called the Shared Discovery Curriculum. It is unlike any other curriculum in the country integrating basic, social, and clinical science into all didactics while placing patients at the center of the learning experience.

MSU-CHM

The first year of medical school is called the Early Clinical Experience (ECE). The content of each week is based on a Chief Complaint and Concern (i.e., dyspnea, abdominal pain). Within that week, the physiology, anatomy, histology, pathology, biochemistry and pharmacology pertaining to that chief complaint are taught.

A typical week in the ECE includes one-half day in simulation, one-half day of team-based learning, two half-days of guided independent learning, a half day in the anatomy lab, and two small group sessions that are led by a consistent clinician and basic scientist.

The students also participate in two half-days of clinical experience at one of more than 100 primary care clinics in Grand Rapids or Lansing metropolitan areas starting the third month of medical school.

Before their clinical placement, the students perform 29 patient care checklists to 100 percent

proficiency. Within the medical office, each student works alongside the clinical team throughout a patient visit to check vital signs, perform medication reconciliation, counsel patients on diet and more.

Feedback from the clinical practices shows that 92 percent found having a first-year medical student in the clinic was a positive experience and 88 percent stated that the student was useful in their clinic. Eighty-five percent of the students agree that their clinical experiences contribute to their learning of the biopsychosocial sciences.

The biggest improvement for our students has been in the area of "Meaningful Learning Experiences." Whether they are in clinic, simulation or their small group Learning Society session, they find the time spent to be valuable.



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Resolution Writing

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Michigan State University College of Human Medicine students met for a Resolution Writing Workshop with seasoned Resolution authors, Jayne Courts, MD of Kent County Medical Society and David Walsworth, MD of Ingham County Medical Society. Both physicians represent their county at the Michigan State Medical Society House of Delegates. Drs. Courts and Walsworth currently serve as Alternate Delegate and Delegate to the AMA, respectively. Students in Grand Rapids and Lansing learned what makes a resolution strong or weak and how to appropriately articulate statements to support the point of the resolution.

IRS Issues Proposed Regulations On Deduction for Owners of Pass-Through Businesses: The Good, Bad and Ugly for Health Care Providers

In August of this year, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issued proposed regulations that provide guidance to owners of pass-through businesses as to eligibility for a federal tax deduction of 20% of the income generated by the businesses. This deduction was part of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA). Although the stated purpose of the proposed regulations is to provide clarity on eligibility for and the means to compute the deduction, this guidance is lengthy and complex. However, for health care providers, there are two important takeaways.

TAKEAWAY NO. 1

Guidance on whether a health care business is a “specified service trade or business”

One of the important limitations to the pass-through deduction in the TCJA is that owners of pass-through businesses that conduct a specified service trade or business (SSTB) and whose income exceed the so-called income limitation (\$207,500 for single taxpayers and \$415,000 for married taxpayers who file jointly) are not entitled to claim the 20% deduction. The TCJA provides that a SSTB includes a trade or business that involves the performance of services in the health field. The proposed regulations provide guidance as to what types of businesses involve the performance of health services:

The performance of services in the field of health means the provision of medical services by physicians, pharmacists, nurses, dentists, veterinarians, physical therapists, psychologists, and other similar healthcare professionals who provide medical services directly to a patient (emphasis supplied). Prop Reg. 1.199A - 5(b)(2)(ii).

Providers of certain types of health care services might be able to avoid the SSTB limitation if their services are not provided directly to patients. For example, radiologists who are partners in a professional limited liability company and who merely read test results may be eligible for the deduction. The treating physician for such patients would not be entitled to the deduction since the treating physician provides services “directly to patients.”

Similarly, if an orthopedic group also owns a physical therapy clinic, because that clinic’s services are directly related to the medical field, it is likely that the clinic will be deemed to be engaged in a SSTB. On the flip side, if the same physician group also operates a health clinic “that provide[s] physical service or conditioning to their customers (i.e., not medical related)”, the clinic will not be engaged in a SSTB.

TAKEAWAY NO. 2

The use of a “captive MSO” will not work

Prior to issuance of the proposed regulations, one of the planning suggestions that many advisors had recommended for consideration by owners of health care businesses whose income



exceeded the income limitation was segregation of the billing, collection, accounting and other “back office” activities of the practice into a separate legal entity under common ownership with the practice group. This separate legal entity would in reality be a management service organization (“MSO”) that provides services only to the affiliated practice group. Such a new entity was referred to by some as a “captive MSO.”

Under the proposed regulations, if the captive MSO provides services only to the practice group under common control with the group, the MSO would be deemed to conduct a SSTB. This of course eliminates the tax advantage of establishment for the MSO. By contrast, if more than 20% of the income of the MSO is generated from providing management services to others, such as unrelated medical practice groups, the MSO would not be found to engage in a SSTB.

Similarly, if a dentist is the sole member of a limited liability company that owns a two-story office building and rents the first floor to the dentist’s dental practice but leases the second floor to an unrelated business, half of the income generated by the LLC from the building will be deemed to be generated from a SSTB.

Although the proposed regulations limit the ability of health care providers to use affiliated entities to maximize the 20% deduction, planning opportunities still exist if the ancillary business is owned by a trust or other entity not under “common control” or if the business provides services to unrelated service providers.

In summary, even though they are complex and preclude some available planning opportunities, the recently issued proposed regulations do not eliminate all planning opportunities to maximize the 20% deduction for owners of pass-through businesses that provide health care services. Business owners would be well-advised to consult with qualified legal counsel and accounting representatives to develop a strategy based on their specific circumstances, which include the types of services they provide, the net income generated and the anticipated or current legal structure of each business.

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6:30-8:30pm

Watermark Country Club

5500 Cascade Rd SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Members and spouses/guests welcome

AGENDA

- **2018 Year in Review**
KCMS President
Eric L. Larson, MD
- **Election of New Officers**
- **Appointment of Delegates and Alternate Delegates**
- **Installation of 2019 KCMS President**
Megan M. Edison, MD