



Rhode Island
Podiatric Medical Association

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Minutes of the Rhode Island Podiatric Medical Society

Date: April 20th, 2016

Sponsor: Osiris, Representative Alyssa DaFonseca

Lecture Topic: "Grafix®: The Next Generation of Wound Care Therapy"

Speaker: Dr Daniel Davis; Medical Director, St. Vincent's Wound Care Center, Trumbull, CT

I. Minutes of March 16th, 2016

II. Bills and Communications: Dr Cavicchio

A. Prescription Drug Monitoring Program: we as a profession are doing well with signing up.

III. Treasurer's Report: Dr Clyde Fish (not present)

A. Due to go out after Newport

B. All bills are paid and up to date.

IV. Nominating Committee: Dr Roda

A. President: Dr Tammy VanDine

B. 1st Vice President: Dr Jason Mallette

C. 2nd Vice President: Dr Michael Reuter

D. Treasurer: Dr Clyde Fish

E. Secretary: Dr Dominic Roda

F. APMA Delegate: Dr Brian Cornell

G. Board of Directors: Dr's LePore, Appleton, Domenico, Dehaven, Ciano, Meehan, Pappas, Doobay, Battey.

V. APMA Delegate and APMAPAC: Dr Cornell

A. APMA and future: Dr Davis. Health care system going into a value base system and PQRS.

1. How do we protect ourselves? APMA unveiled this and will begin a "registry" as a member benefit. This will collect data from members and show how many visits on average per problem. We can show our value and not allow insurance companies to determine our value for us.

2. Parity Bill: VA Bill has passed through the House of Representatives.

3. Coding Resource Center; cross-walk to ICD-10 is a helpful tool for members.

VI. CAC/PIAC: Dr LePoer / Dr Mallette

A. No updates: next meeting is June 20th.

B. Member was questioned for submitted meaningful use and received a prepayment audit.

Wanted documentation because there was no registry available in the state of RI to report to. RI has a website with printable page that supplies the documentation you need.

C. CMS for DME revalidation; every 3 years need to revalidate. (\$550/3 years.)

VII. Executive Director Report: Dr Cavicchio

A. ASPE Meeting: Public Health committee, great networking tool.

B. Asking next RIPMA president to be a member of the APHA.

C. Cyber coverage with medical malpractice: JUA does not offer cyber coverage. Medical Protective, however, does.



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- D. RI Legislation is in session now: Medical Society sent out a letter with summary of 12 bills they are interested in; 2 pertain to our profession. Physician Assistant Bill to work under supervision of Podiatrist, looks like it will get passed. Laser Bill - do physicians have to supervise cosmetic procedures - in the bill we are potentially written out.
- E. Newport May 28th - May 1st, 187 people signed up so far.

VIII. Public Relations: Dr Roda

- A. Social Networking - Facebook implementation is up and running (1 month campaign).

IX. New Business:

- A. *Follow up on last month's presentation from Darlene Morris of the Rhode Island Quality Institute on the future of Solo and group practice in RI; "Practice Transformation Networks"!*
- B. Agency is providing free services for offices to keep up with EMR and practice transformation
- C. 25 year service awards from APMA: Dr Cloutier, Dr Granoff, Dr Sardella, Dr Silverman.

*Meeting adjourned; next meeting- Newport Conference.
Submitted by: James Appleton, DPM*