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AOMA Legislative Affairs - 2017 Critical Healthcare Issues

The Arizona State Legislature is in full speed, having introduced more than 900+ bills in 23 days. The AOMA Legislative and Student Legislative Affairs Committee will be extremely busy working the next few weeks going through dozens of bills of interest to analyze their impacts and ensure that patients and physicians are protected. If you would like to see the full list of bills of interest AOMA is tracking, visit the [AOMA Advocacy Resource Center](#).

Some of the [critical issues](#) AOMA is focusing on this legislative session:

- [Continuation of the Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners](#) – The Board is scheduled to sunset July 1, 2017; legislation is needed for it to continue
- Surprise Billing – Reforms to protect consumers from “surprise billing” charges arising when an insured individual inadvertently receives care from an out-of-network provider; AOMA is working with legislators on policies to protect the consumer, without reimbursement interference between private market negotiations between physicians and payers
- Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) – Work is continuous to ensure that that PDMP is working at a peak level for the impending utilization mandate scheduled to take effect later this year
- [Preceptor Tax Credits & Loan Repayment](#) – AOMA is lobbying for passage of HB 2137 to allow for tax credits for primary care preceptors and an increase for the loan repayment program in the Governor’s budget
- Scope of Practice – AOMA is working to ensure education and training is commensurate with patient safety and quality for [SB 1269](#) to expand scope of practice for pharmacists for tobacco cessation, 7-day emergency refills of non-controlled medication, oral fluoride varnish; [SB 1336](#) loosening up restrictions on direction and presence requirements for certified registered nurse anesthetists

Please make sure to sign up for [DO Day at the Legislature](#) to learn more about these and other issues. If you have any questions about these or other issues, please contact Pete Wertheim, AOMA executive director, at pwertheim@az-osteo.org or call 602-266-6699.

2017 DO Day at the Legislature

Who: DOs and osteopathic medical students

What: Wear your white coat and meet with legislators, accompanied by an AOMA member DO. Additionally, leadership from the Governor’s office and the Senate and House Health committees will come and speak to the group

Where: Arizona State Legislature, 1700 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007

When: Tuesday, February 21, 2017

Why: To discuss issues impacting osteopathic medicine

How: Registration will be available on the AOMA website. Go to www.az-osteo.org/DODayRSVP

AOMA 2017 District Meetings - Networking and Policy Discussions

AOMA members are represented by districts to ensure diverse, inclusive representation. Each District meets at least once a year to network with peers, discuss policy, and conduct business including electing Delegates and Alternates to the AOMA House of Delegates and representatives to serve on the AOMA Board of Trustees. Please plan to attend your AOMA District Meeting.

Don't know your District? Call the AOMA office at 602-266-6699 or email teresa@az-osteo.org.

| District | Date & Time | Location |
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| 1 RSVP HERE | Tuesday, February 28, 2017 | Cucina Tagliani 17045 N. 59th Ave Glendale, AZ 85308 |
| 2 RSVP HERE | Thursday, February 2, 2017 | Z Tejas 1525 E. Bethany Home Rd Phoenix, AZ 85014 |
| 3 RSVP HERE | Tuesday, February 7, 2017 | Maggiano's 16405 N. Scottsdale Rd Scottsdale, AZ 8525 |
| 4 RSVP HERE | Thursday, February 16, 2017 | Aunt Chilada's 2019 W. Baseline Rd Tempe, AZ 85253 |
| 5 RSVP HERE | Thursday, February 16, 2017 | Aunt Chilada's 2019 W. Baseline Rd Tempe, AZ 85253 |
| 6 RSVP HERE | Saturday, March 11, 2017 | Firebirds Wood Fired Grill 2985 E Skyline Dr Tucson, AZ |
| 7 RSVP HERE | Monday, March 20, 2017 | Via Teleconference |

Important Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration(s) renewal process announcement

The Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery would like to advise our licensees of the recent Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) announcement regarding revisions in the renewal process for DEA registration(s). By clicking on this link <https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drugreg/process.htm> you will be taken directly to the DEA renewal page to read the Revised Announcement Regarding Renewal Applications and changes effective January 1, 2017. Please contact the DEA directly with any questions regarding this change in process.

AOMA 95th Annual Convention - Early Registration Deadline is March 19, 2017

The AOMA 95th Annual Convention - the largest annual osteopathic medical conference in Arizona - is April 19 to 23, 2017 at the Hilton Scottsdale Resort & Villas. The theme of the 2017 Convention is **Empowering Ourselves Empowering Our Patients**. The five-day CME event is expected to offer 36.0 hours of AOA Category 1-A credit. Application will also be submitted for AAFP prescribed credits.



[Download the agenda.](#)

We Need Your Ideas and Input

Do you know that AOMA membership offers a variety of discounted services and products through its Business Partners Program? The Membership Services Committee is in need of a few members to suggest, review, and approve potential new services, products, discounts, and programs that will benefit you - personally and professionally. If you are interested in sharing your ideas with this committee, please call the AOMA office at 602-266-6699 or send an email to pwertheim@az-osteo.org.



AOMA Awards Nominations Due

The AOMA Annual Awards recognize outstanding service and contributions to the osteopathic medical profession in Arizona. Only AOMA members may submit an AOMA Award nomination form. Submit nominations to the AOMA Office by February 15, 2017. The AOMA Awards will be presented at the AOMA Annual Convention.

The online nomination form plus the complete list of AOMA Awards and past recipients is available at www.az-osteo.org/AOMA_Awards.

Welcome New AzPHA Executive Director

Will Humble, MPH, has been named Executive Director of the Arizona Public Health Association (AzPHA). He has more than 25 years of public health administration experience in Arizona.

Humble currently is with the University of Arizona Center for Population Science and Discovery and was previously the Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services. He will join AzPHA on April 1, 2017.



Deadline to Pledge Birdies for Charity is February

The 2017 Waste Management Phoenix Open is **this Saturday** and there is still time to make Arizona Osteopathic Charities a big bucks winner by making a pledge in the Birdies for Charity competition. Arizona Osteopathic Charities will receive every penny of collected pledges. To make a pledge online go to birdiesforcharityaz.com.



ATSU-SOMA Offers Virtual Community Health Center Case Study Learning

A series of clinical simulations set in the ATSU-SOMA virtual health center are now available free-of-charge to osteopathic physicians, residents, and OMS medical trainees. The 25 interactive virtual patient case studies are accessible online. Each outpatient care case study is 45 minutes in length and incorporate osteopathic treatments. The diverse panel of patients includes all ages and ethnicities.

Registration is available at <http://vchc.atsu.edu/register-with-vchc/> Direct your questions to Lise McCoy, EdD, at lmccoy@atsu.edu.

ClownTown Healing Fest

The ClownTown Healing Fest is a joyful celebration that promotes health and healing in community. For the second year, on February 24-26, 2017, at the Herberger Theater Center in downtown Phoenix, clowns will mobilize the communities healing resources to educate and inspire people to living healthier lives. Free to the public, it offers demonstrations, panels, discussions, entertainment and a unique opportunity for Arizona physicians. A day-long Clown Healing Workshop (CME's applied for) will be held on Friday, February 24, 2017, led by internationally recognized clown doctor's Patch Adams and Carl Hammerschlag that will expand your therapeutic repertoire and magnify your healing power. CME's have Clowntownhealingfest.com for workshop details.

2nd Annual Arizona Cord Blood Conference: Blazing Frontiers

The Arizona Biomedical Research Commission in partnership with the University of Arizona College of Medicine, the Arizona Public Cord Blood Program, and Save the Cord Foundation, present the 2nd Annual Arizona Cord Blood Conference on Thursday, April 13, 2017. Cost is free to attend. The event is for students interested in STEM careers, health professionals wanting more information about cord blood collections, and hospital administrators and policy makers to understand the current status of the cord blood industry.

Location:

Desert Willow Conference Center
4340 East Cotton Center Blvd
Phoenix, Arizona 85040

For more information visit www.savethecordfoundation.org.

Help prospective patients find you!



AOMA Members - Update Your Profile!

One of the benefits of AOMA membership is the **Find a Physician** public directory search. Make sure your practice information is up to date by logging in to your member profile on the AOMA website. When you do, prospective patients and potential referring physicians will be able to find you.

Need help updating your profile? Call the AOMA office at (602) 266-6699.

AOMA Calendar of Events - www.az-osteo.org

- District Meetings** - Beginning February 2, 2017
- AOMA DO Day at the Legislature** - Tuesday, February 21, 2017
- Awards Nomination Deadline** - March 1, 2017
- AOMA 95th Annual Convention** - April 19 - 23, 2017



Look sharp in your AOMA polo shirt! Available in the [AOMA store](http://www.az-osteo.org). Visit www.az-osteo.org to order today!



Do you know someone who is not an AOMA member... and should be?

Membership in AOMA is an affordable vehicle to keep abreast of national and local issues, protect your professional practice, enhance your specialized skills, further your career, and be a part of the future of osteopathic medicine in Arizona.

Refer a new AOMA member and receive a \$100 credit. Go to www.az-osteo.org/Recruit Not an AOMA Member? Join today!

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Arizona Vaccine News



[January Immunization Newsletter](#)

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