
Great Turnout for Doctor Day 2019

Doctor Day 2019 brought more than 300 physicians and medical students from across the state to Madison to meet with legislators and their staffs yesterday. Key issues included vaccines and the “personal conviction” exception to school vaccination law as well as ensuring access to important Medicaid services by addressing historically low physician reimbursement rates.

Prior to meeting with legislators at the State Capitol, attendees heard from two speakers: Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers and Department of Health Services Secretary Andrea Palm. Gov. Evers, who was introduced by his daughter Erin Schoenecker, MD, praised physicians for the care they provide and asked for their help in ensuring access to care. [Read more.](#)



Waukesha County Medical Society's Annual Membership Meeting & Dinner Program is June 5th - [REGISTER HERE](#)

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This dinner program is complimentary to WCMS members, and \$50 for non-members and guests. Please [register online](#) and select your dinner entree by May 28, or call the WCMS office at 920-560-5641. We look forward to seeing you there!



McAvoy Featured by AMA on Combating the Hassles of Private Practice

Long-time WCMS/WMS leader Tim McAvoy, MD was featured in a recent article published by the American Medical Association on how to fight off some common hassles that come with private practice settings.

According to the article, Dr. McAvoy makes the best of his hospital-supplied EHR. He also saves time for his patients and his practice by being familiar with insurer formularies. Being a member of an independent practice association allows him to legally negotiate rates and contract terms collectively with health plans, "It helps enormously," says Dr. McAvoy. [Read article.](#)

Free Buprenorphine X-Waiver Training Series

DHS has partnered with the Wisconsin Society of Addiction Medicine to increase treatment capacity for opioid use disorder through expanded prescribing of buprenorphine, one of three Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved medications for the treatment of opioid use disorder.

Ten in-person training sessions for health care providers eligible to prescribe buprenorphine are scheduled across Wisconsin this year. Each session, when paired with an online session offered through the American Society of Addiction Medicine, provides the necessary education for participants to qualify for a waiver to prescribe buprenorphine as part of a medication-assisted treatment plan for opioid dependency.

Course details and registration are [available online](#).
