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Waukesha CMS Board Meetings are open to all members.

Board Meetings occur on the 3rd Thursday of each month (NO meetings are held in June, July or December).

Visit the WCMS website for details.

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### President's Message Nameeta Dookeran, MD



Dear Colleagues,

I hope you had time to spend with your family and friends over the summer in the midst of the busy-ness of work and life in general!

Now that we're getting back into some semblance of routine, I really hope to be

able to meet many of you at our annual, well-attended town hall meeting on the 26th of Sept. It's a great event with opportunity for personal interaction with our legislators.

I'd also like to encourage you to take a look at the issues to be discussed at the AMA Interim meeting in November (<u>LINK</u>). Let us know if you have thoughts on any of the issues that you'd like us to bring to the table. Waukesha County has strong representation among the WMS delegates to the AMA. Myself and Keshni Ramnanan, MD both serve as alternate delegates, and Tim McAvoy, MD is a delegate. We represent you... let us know how we can do that effectively!

As a quick reminder, please don't forget to <u>register</u> if you haven't already for our annual Town Hall meeting with legislators! I hope to see many of you there on Sept. 26.

I always welcome your comments and suggestions. You may reach me through the <u>WCMS office</u>. Thanks for your membership.

#### -Nameeta

# **Two Weeks Remain - Sept. 26 Town Hall** *It's not too late. Register today!*

Waukesha County Medical Society will host its Annual Town Hall Meeting with Legislators on Tuesday, September 26, at the Delafield Hotel. Join us for dinner and discussion!

#### Register today!

This event provides a unique opportunity for physicians in Waukesha County to interact with their local legislators, and discuss issues that impact physicians' well-being, their practice landscape and the care of their patients.

## Grant Funding Opportunities

The Wisconsin Medical Society Foundation is now accepting applications from non-profit organizations with projects aimed at improving health at the local level or statewide during 2018. Physicians are asked to share information about this grant opportunity with organizations in their area and encourage them to consider applying. Learn more.

Waukesha County Medical Society is also accepting applications for grant funds. Non-profit organizations serving Waukesha County residents are eligible to apply for grant funds to support programs or projects that contribute to the overall health and well-being of Waukesha County residents.

Priority consideration will be given for all initiatives that:

- Serve patients or physicians within Waukesha County;
- Improve the health of patients or provide patient or public education;
- Involve physicians, residents, and/or medical or graduate students in some capacity;
- Promote cooperation among organizations or agencies.

Learn more and apply today!

## State Receives Additional Funding for Opioid Epidemic

September 7, Wisconsin Health News

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention awarded Wisconsin additional funding to beef up its efforts to curb opioid abuse, according to a recent statement.

Wisconsin received roughly \$752,000 in supplemental funding that can be used to scale up prevention efforts, like increasing the use of prescription drug monitoring programs and expanding the reach of messages about opioid risks. Wisconsin is now receiving \$2.6 million from the same program.

The state also received an additional \$131,000 to better track and prevent opioid-involved overdoses. The state is now receiving \$460,000 through the program.

CDC announced \$28.6 million in funding to 44 states and the District of Columbia.

### **Doctor Day 2018 is January 30** Learn about advocacy and help make a difference!

Registration is <u>now open</u> for Doctor Day 2018, scheduled to take place on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 in Madison.

The multi-specialty nature of Doctor Day has quickly become one of the largest state Advocacy Day events for physicians in the country. Plan to join the more than 400 physicians and medical students expected to participate in in Doctor Day 2018. SafeUnsubscribe<sup>™</sup> {recipient's email}

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