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1. Connect with Lawmakers in District 'Check-ups' This Summer

Just because the legislature is winding down, that doesn't mean our legislative advocacy work stops. Lawmakers are preparing to return home this summer to campaign for the upcoming election cycle, and to attend picnics, parades and other events in their districts to connect with their constituents.

MSMS encourages you to make the most of this time by reaching out to connect with your lawmakers at local events, at their regular coffee hours, or just at a one-on-one

HIPAA Security Rule

May 21, 2014
Free Online Webinar

Designed to give HIPAA covered entities insight into the Security Rule and assistance with implementation of the security standards.

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CDL-Medical Examiner Course

On-Demand Webinar

New Federal Requirement - Beginning May 21, 2014, all CDL medical certificates issued to interstate commercial vehicle drivers must be issued by medical examiners listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners (NRCME).

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meeting to build working relationships.

It's important to offer to be a resource for them on health policy issues, and one in particular: nurse scope of practice. [Senate Bill 2](#) is a narrowly-focused piece of special interest legislation that would put patients across Michigan at risk by reducing the training requirements for those who diagnose and treat patients and prescribe their medicine.



It would also strip physicians from many patients' health care teams while giving some nurse practitioners

the legal ability to diagnose, treat, and write potentially dangerous prescriptions for patients, all without adequate training and without even collaborating with a physician.

FIND CONTACT INFO - Contact Steve Japinga in the MSMS Government Relations Department for help with scheduling: 517-336-5781 or sjapinga@msms.org. Also, every state legislator has his/her own website that includes district contact information, event calendar, and details about issues they are addressing.

[Connect with your senator >>](#)

[Connect with your representative >>](#)

2. Northern Physicians Organization Launches ACO

On Tuesday, [Northern Michigan Physicians \(NPO\)](#) announced the launch of Northern Michigan Health Network, a new accountable care organization (ACO) founded by NPO.

The network is one of 360 recognized ACOs under the Affordable Care Act's Medicare

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Shared Savings Program, but the participating physicians also serve non-Medicare patients. NPO is a physician organization member of MSMS.

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Explore ACOs through MSMS Resources

- [Legal Alert: "What Physicians Need to Know about Accountable Care Organizations under the Medicare Shared Savings Program"](#)
- [MSMS Leadership Summit](#) - Wednesday, October 1, at the Lansing Center. The event will feature expert speakers on topics such as November Elections; Current State Legislation; Affordable Care Act in Michigan; Payment Reform; and Health Care in Lansing.

3. Delayed or Not: You Need to Prepare for ICD-10!



Just because the implementation of ICD-10 has been delayed one year, that's no reason to put

off your preparation. This transition will require greater specificity in your documentation. MSMS offers an educational program to help prepare physicians and medical office staff for a successful transition to this massively-expanded coding system.

- [ICD-10 Boot Camp](#) - Thursday-Friday, August 21-22, Great Wolf Lodge in Traverse City; and Thursday-Friday,

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Casino in Battle Creek (All sessions
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

4. Michigan Physician Leaders Named Among 'Most Influential'

Two physicians and health care leaders in Michigan were named by Modern Healthcare magazine to its recent list of "[50 Most Influential Physician Executives & Leaders](#)."

Called the '[Medicare ACO architect](#)' and topping the list is Richard Gilfillan, MD, President & CEO, CHE Trinity Health, Livonia. Doctor Gilfillan worked at the US Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services prior to taking on his current post in 2013.



Also named to the list was William A. Conway, Jr, MD, CEO, Henry Ford Medical Group, Executive VP & Chief Quality Officer, Henry Ford

Health System, Detroit. Doctor Conway has been with Henry Ford since 1977.

Save the Date for MSMS Leadership Summit!

The annual [MSMS Leadership Summit](#) will take place Wednesday, October 1, at the Lansing Center in Lansing. The event will provide a forum for physicians, health care leaders, and state office holders to learn about issues facing the health care system today and to simulate action by those individuals directly involved.

5. Help MSMS Foundation - Register 'Fore' a Great Cause

Did you know that MSMS, your statewide professional association, operates a 501(c)(3) charity? The MSMS Foundation operates several charitable giving funds, and raises and grants money to a variety of health education projects in Michigan. We are gathering information to help the Foundation in its mission. Please take a minute to complete this [short survey](#).



Enabling the Foundation to offer grants is its major fundraiser, the annual Golf &

Tennis Classic. This year's event, the 22nd overall, will take place on Monday, June 2, at Forest Akers - West Course in East Lansing. Forest Akers Golf Courses are recognized as two of the best public golf courses in the state of Michigan and home to the Big Ten champion Michigan State University Men's and Women's Golf Teams.

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