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### 1. Health Policy Issues to Be Discussed at MSMS Leadership Summit This Election Year!



Last week was a big week for MSMS and its MDPAC. Of the 100 plus MDPAC-endorsed candidates, 100 percent of them won their primary elections, including MSMS Past President John G. Bizon, MD.

With candidates knocking on our doors and campaign season in full-swing, now is the time to educate yourself about all that is happening in the Michigan Legislature. We invite you to join us for the 2014 MSMS Leadership Summit that is being held in the heart of our state's capital at the Lansing Center on October 1, 2014. The Leadership Summit is designed to provide a forum for health care providers and leaders in the state to learn about issues facing the health care system today and to stimulate action by those individuals directly involved.

The conference will provide an excellent opportunity for discussion and collaboration among individuals representing a variety of fields and backgrounds. Reiterating the idea that all physicians are leaders, the conference will provide a prime opportunity for health care providers to approach some of health care's most difficult challenges and to exercise their influence and ability to drive change through hands-on involvement.

Topics of interest include the elections, an update from the

## Upcoming Events

### HIPAA Security Compliance: Be Prepared

September 17, 2014  
 St. Mary's of Michigan - Saginaw

October 24, 2014  
 Somerset Inn - Troy

[Details & Registration >>](#)

### ICD-10-CM Boot Camp: The Clock is Ticking

September 18-19, 2014  
 FireKeepers Casino - Battle Creek

November 6-7, 2014  
 Weber's Inn - Ann Arbor

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**West Michigan Medical Center**

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Michigan Department of Community Health and much more. To find out more about the Leadership Summit or to register, please [click here](#).

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## 2. Free CME for Your Membership Renewal by November 15



MSMS membership renewals will begin to be mailed the first week of September. As a thank you for your loyalty as a member and for paying early, all physicians who pay their 2015 dues by Nov. 15 will receive a coupon for a free CME course at an MSMS educational offering.

MSMS values you as a member and this is just a small token of our appreciation for your continued support of organized medicine. For questions about membership, please contact Joshua C. Richmond, Director, Membership & Political Fundraising, at 517-336-5788 or [jrichmond@msms.org](mailto:jrichmond@msms.org).

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## 3. Retiring Physicians Need a Plan for Patients' Medical Records



Physicians considering retirement need to plan ahead on a number of important issues, including the disposition of their patients' medical records.

Michigan law and HIPAA have very stringent requirements and you also need to protect yourself in the case of a medical liability claim, according to MSMS legal counsel Daniel J. Schulte, JD, a partner in Kerr, Weber & Russell. He outlines the requirements in the new

*Michigan Medicine* in an article titled "Closing Your Practice: Medical Record Retention, Storage and Destruction."

[Click here](#) to see the full story. MSMS also has a Legal Alert titled "Disposition of a Medical Practice" available on the Members-Only portion of the [MSMS website](#) under the Resources (For Practices) tab.

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