

Illinois Osteopathic Medical Society



2005 - 2006 Report Card to Members
Celebrating more than 50 Years of Full Practice Rights for IL DOs

HOW CAN YOU AFFORD NOT TO BELONG?

Continuing Medical Education across the State – 48.5 hours of Category 1-A at member rates

- 2005 Winter Scientific Seminar - December 1-5, 2005. DoubleTree Hotel, Oak Brook - 30 hrs. *Member Discount = \$200.*
- Osteopathic Physicians Day at the State Capitol – March 1, 2006 - State House Inn, Springfield – 4.5 hrs. Clinical Applications of a PDA, OMT without a Table, and State Legislative Policy Briefing. Offered with ACOFP-IL. *Member Discount = 60%.*
- Teaching Development Workshop – April 29, 2006 – BroMenn Healthcare, Bloomington – 6 hrs. First time both allopathic and osteopathic CME hours made available.
- Family Medicine Update – August 12, 2006 – Holiday Inn & Conference Center, Collinsville – 8 hrs. Co-sponsored with ACOFP-IL. *Free to Members.*

Government Advocacy

To the State of Illinois:

- Contracted with an experienced on-site lobbyist in Springfield to represent IOMS and ACOFP-IL to our elected officials.
- Sponsored the hugely successful Osteopathic Physicians Day at the State Capitol with more than 40 DOs, osteopathic medical students, & supporters from all across the state. Reached out to 39 state legislators and administration cabinet officials on the All Kids Program, scope and patient protections, and the Medical Practice Act; hosted popular legislative reception. *No cost to members.*
- Produced comprehensive briefing session for lobby day attendees, with speakers from IOMS, American Osteopathic Association, Illinois State Medical Society, and the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians. Keynote address by Col. Jill Morgenthaller, Deputy Governor for Homeland Security.
- Published timely State Legislative Alerts via e-mail to IL DOs.
- Represented Illinois DOs to government agencies and Collaborated with the American Osteopathic Association, the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians – IL Chapter, the Illinois State Medical Society, the Illinois Civic Justice League and others on legislation affecting all physicians.
- Reinvigorated State political action fund (PAC) – called SCOPE: Special Committee on Osteopathic Political Education.
- Honored Legislator of the Year: Senate Minority Leader Frank Watson (R-51).
- Represented state to the AOA's Advocacy for Healthy Partnerships.
- Monitored patient safety coalitions and Medicaid stakeholders groups for impacts of interest to DO's.

To the Nation:

- Sent largest (to date) IOMS delegation to AOA's DO Day on the Hill to address federal issues for osteopathic physicians.
- Worked with AOA Govt. Relations team to support their efforts.

Professional Support

- Published *free* Insights Newsletter and E-newsletter.
- Distributed annual *members' only* Directory to help you keep in touch with your professional colleagues and utilize for referrals.
- Provided classified ads for the newsletter, special *member rate*.
- Offered "Find A DO" Referral System to assist public seeking an IOMS osteopathic physician in their area.
- Maintained informational website at: www.ioms.org.

Membership Representation to Government & Profession

- Illinois State Licensing and Disciplinary Boards
- AOA House of Delegates
- Midwestern University OPTI, Governing Board
- The American Osteopathic Foundation Board
- ISMS (MD colleagues) Government Affairs & Workers Comp Committees, Council on Membership and Advocacy
- The Southern Illinois Healthcare Policy Committee
- Chicago End-of-Life Care Coalition
- The HCFA and HIPAA Region 5 Task Force
- Medicare Payment Advisory Committee
- The Advisory Panel on Medicare Education
- Illinois Foundation for Quality Health Care
- CMS Region 5 Physician Association
- Rural Health Committee
- AOA Committees – Women's Health, Membership, Young Physicians, Unity Blue Ribbon, Federal Health Programs, Council for Continuing Education

State and Socioeconomic Affairs

- Offered confidential assistance on Medicare/Medicaid, fraud and abuse, managed care and physicians reimbursement.
- Provided assistance with reimbursement from third parties.
- Answered questions about medical licensing and legislative/regulatory activities affecting your practice.

Resident/Intern Programs

- Offered *free* Resident/Intern Workshop during Winter CME.
- Dedicated Board and Delegation seats for Residents/Interns.
- Participated in St. James Hospital Interns Orientation Program.

Student Activities

- Participated in student-related activities, including White Coat Ceremony, Student Orientation Day, Student Organizations Expo, Bridging Ceremony, and other CCOM events.
- Offered *free* Student Workshop during Winter CME.
- Sponsored Student of the Year Award.
- Dedicated Board, Delegation, & key Committee seats for Students.
- Routed requests for shadowing opportunities.

Join us in 2006-2007 to achieve next year's successes!
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