



## Minnesota Osteopathic Medical Society

Hello Colleagues!

I hope you are having a wonderful summer! I am writing to give you some brief updates regarding MOMS. I will try to have a newsletter out quarterly with updates of things that I think you will find of value. I am very open to suggestions and if there are things you would like to hear about (or that you do not enjoy hearing about), please let me know!

### **MOMS Membership Drive**

We are starting a membership drive which is crucial to the continuation of our organization. I invite you to participate by reaching out to your fellow DO colleagues to ask them to join MOMS. For every member you refer, you will receive \$50 off your membership. They will receive \$100 off their first year of membership OR \$100 credit toward one MOMS Spring or Fall Meeting. They can join here: <https://mosms.memberclicks.net/membership>

### **AOA New CME Guidelines**

Notable changes include:

- Elimination of the requirement for specialty-specific CME
- Clarification of credits awarded for standardized life-support courses
- A requirement of 120 hours of CME credits per cycle for diplomates holding non-time-limited certification, regardless of specialty; and
- Allowing credit for precepting medical students, up to 20% of the specialty board's CME requirement
- No longer requiring only FMLA documentation for Maternity/Paternity Leave waivers; alternate paperwork options can include documentation from treating provider

To read the full guidelines, please go to the website: <https://osteopathic.org/cme/cme-guide/>

### **AOA House of Delegates Annual Meeting**

We just returned from the annual AOA House of Delegates in Chicago. Myself, Colin Weerts, Jen Johnson, and Nancy Jordan served as your Minnesota Delegates. It was exciting and inspiring to see the profession come together to talk about healthcare issues and to set policy for the osteopathic profession. Please see Nancy Jordan's [summary report of the AOA HOD here](#) (click to download). You can also see resolutions with action items on the AOA Website at: <https://osteopathic.org/about/aoa-events/annual-business-meeting/house-of-delegates-resolutions/>

### **MOMS Resolution**

Dr. Bruce Cunningham proposed at the MOMS Annual Spring Meeting that MOMS bring a resolution forward against a Medicare For All system. We will be posting a survey asking our members if they would support this type of resolution or not. Please participate!

### **AOA Board of Trustees Representation**

Last year I ran for an AOA Board of Trustees position through the United Federation of Osteopathic Society (UFOS), which is the federation that allows small states (like MN) to be able to place a member on the AOA Board of Trustees. There is a fairly complicated election process that involves a ranking system. I ended up being ranked fourth for the 2018 election. The top three candidates from the 2018 election went onto the AOA Board of Trustees this year. I ran again this year and am told I was in the top three candidates. However, a position is not expected to open for 2020. I will continue to run in hopes to one day represent our state on the AOA Board.

### **Fall 2020 meeting in Duluth**

Just a friendly reminder that there will NOT be a fall meeting in 2019 but we are planning for a Fall meeting in 2020 in Duluth. We are contracted with the Inn on Lake Superior for October 1-3, 2020 so please mark your calendars!

### **OMED 2019**

OMED will be in Baltimore, Maryland this year from October 25-28. Come join the largest gathering of DOs in the country! Register here: <https://omed.osteopathic.org/>

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President, MOMS

### **Upcoming Conference Dates:**

April 21-26, 2020  
October 1-3, 2020  
April 22-25, 2021  
April 21-24, 2022