



**Join us for our monthly meeting
Tuesday, August 13 ★ 11:45 a.m.**

This month's meeting will be at the Austin State Hospital, at the Nifty Fifty #626 Tuesday, August 13, 2013 ([See Map Quest Directions](#)). The meeting will begin at 11:45am preceded by lunch from approximately 11:15-11:45am. You can RSVP on our web site, www.austin-cma.org. Click on "RSVP," complete the information, and you are done. Visitors are welcome for a \$5.00 charge which includes lunch and the CEUs. **PLEASE RSVP**

Our topic this month is "Dealing with Inappropriate Behavior" presented by Joyce Polk, RN. The presentation discussed challenges and approaches for dealing with inappropriate behaviors to provide optimum care and communication.

Joyce Polk, RN, MSN, LBSW is a Hospice Clinical Liaison for Odyssey Hospice a Gentiva Company. She is a master level RN and Licensed Social Worker. She has twenty-seven years of experience working with clients, patients, and families. Her career includes experience as ER nurse, Social Worker in Long term and Rehabilitation facilities, and Qualified Mental Retardation Professional (QMRP). Ms. Polk is a member of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nurses and other professional organizations.

The RSVP count enables the food sponsors to know how many to allot for lunch so PLEASE go to our website to RSVP for the meeting.

**Our Speaker and Food Sponsor
this month**



Odyssey Hospice serves the patient and family. At Odyssey Hospice, we improve the quality of life for patients facing terminal diagnoses while providing support for their loved ones. We've been meeting this special need in Austin and the surrounding area for over ten years. The commitment and spirit of Odyssey team members who provide and deliver excellent care and support 24 hours a day/seven days a week is the mission that we live by every day. January 2012 Odyssey Hospice will open its 2nd location in Georgetown. Feel free to call them at 512-310-0214 visit their website <http://www.odshealth.com/>

**Conference date set:
April 10, 2014
SAVE THAT DATE!**

The conference committee had their first committee meeting July 9th and picked April 10, 2014 for the 2014 conference. The committee is in the preliminary stages of finalizing the theme and getting speakers. If you have any great speakers that you feel may great for the conference please let us know. Our next meeting will be July 31st at 2pm at HealthSouth. If you are interested in being on the conference committee, please try and attend this meeting or let us know.

**August is National Immunization
Awareness Month**

Sponsor: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases

Check the Jobs & Events pages of our website

Ashwood Retirement and Assisted Living, 12151 Hunters Chase Dr Austin TX 78729, is currently seeking for a Marketing Director. Please call Meg Meg Tesfaye, Executive Director, Ashwood Retirement & Assisted Living (512) 336-4100.

Remember the “Job Posting” and “Events” tabs on the website. If you have case management related job opportunities or a CEU or any other event, please email it to newsletter@austin-cma.org. (Posting subject to board approval).

EVENTS

Successful Rehabilitation of the Lower Extremity Amputee

Featuring Kevin Carroll, famous for his work with Winter the Dolphin

3 Hours of CEUs for Case Managers, RNs, PTs and DARS Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors



Date: **Tuesday August 6, 2013**
Time: 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Registration: 4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
Location: Marriott Austin South, 34415 S IH 35, Austin, TX 78744

There is no fee to attend. A light dinner, tea and water will be served. The registration form may be found on the [events](#) page of our website.

Recently ACMA was approached by Central Texas Association of Healthcare Quality (CTAHQ) to share our membership with theirs so they could communicate their events with our members. In the interest of privacy the board voted not to share your information but the board did agree to post their meetings and have a link to their website.

CTAHQ meets the third Fridays of the month, except for October when the statewide TAHQ conference occurs, and December. We plan to meet at Brackenridge for the summer, and change our meeting location to St. David's later in the year, for a change of pace.

See their website: <http://www.txquality.org/local-chapters/central-tx.html>
And they also have a Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/CentralTexasAssociationForHealthcareQuality>

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TIME TO RENEW! 2013 ACMA membership

The 2013 membership application is on our website at www.austin-cma.org. You may bring the completed form to the August meeting. Membership is good from January 2013 through December 2013. All renewals are due by April 2013. To ensure you receive the newsletter via email, please be sure to include your email address on your application. Also, don't forget to specify which committee(s) you would like to serve.



We would like to thank AUSTIN STATE HOSPITAL again for allowing us to have our monthly meeting at the Nifty Fifty Conference Room for 2013

Looking for Food Sponsors for the Monthly Meetings

If you or your company is interested in sponsoring the food for our monthly meeting, please contact Lorna Allen, 512-627-1644 or Jessica Merritt, 512-431-7779. We have a couple of months open. Sponsors are given space in the newsletter to put their company's info and logo, space at the meeting for their collateral and time at the beginning of the meeting to talk about their company – don't delay, sign up now.