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A.C.M.A.
Austin Case Management Assoc.

for Healthcare Professionals **May 2014**

**Enhancing professional skills and relationships for Austin-area
Nursing Professionals, Social Workers, CCMs, CRCs, CDMs and Home Health Administrators**

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

This month's meeting will be at the Austin State Hospital, at the Nifty Fifty #626 Tuesday, May 13, 2014 ([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 "Cognition and Communication in Traumatic

Brain Injury" presented by Kristin Herman, MA, CCC-SLP. Kristin's topic will focus on both normal cognitive development and problems with cognition caused by neurological damage. There will also be discussion concerning normal adult language and communication.

Ms. Kristin Herman has worked in the field of post-acute brain injury rehabilitation since 1994 with both the adult and pediatric populations. She is currently a Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist who fulfills the role of

Trainer/Traveling Speech-Language Pathologist for the Centre for Neuro Skills. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Communication Disorders from the University of Oklahoma and then went to the University of Tennessee at Knoxville where she received her Master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology. Ms. Herman furthered her clinical background by becoming certified in the areas of Vital Stimulation, Deep Pharyngeal Neuro Stimulation, Interactive Metronome and LSVT Voice Therapy. In 2007, Kristin became a Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS).

This month's Food Sponsor



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Lesley is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) with over 15 years experience in the counseling field. She has her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, followed by a Masters of Arts in Counseling from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. During graduate school she volunteered as counselor at The Crisis Center training alongside rape crisis and telephone hotline volunteers. She was then hired as a case manager working with trauma survivors and clients in crisis. She relocated to Austin, Texas in 2008, where she was a counselor at Travis County Counseling and Education Services (TCCES). My practice there strengthened my foundation helping clients struggling with trauma and counseling clients suffering substance abuse issues. In 2007, I transitioned to the field of behavioral medical consulting. I have gained valuable experience in rehabilitative counseling,

psychological assessment for surgical procedures, and physician consultations. I love this multi-disciplinary approach, truly believing physical, emotional, and spiritual needs are equally important.

My goal is to help my clients through sometimes difficult circumstances and make their lives healthier and happier.

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National Nurses Week
May 6-12, 2014

This month's Speaker Sponsor



For over 30 years Centre For Neuroskills (CNS) has been recognized as an experienced and respected world leader for providing intensive post-acute community based brain injury rehabilitation. With facilities in California and Texas, CNS highly trained staff offers outcome driven medical treatment, therapeutic rehabilitation and disease management services for individuals recovering from acquired and traumatic brain injury. www.neuroskills.com, 972-580-8500 or Contact Breona Watson @ 512-534-0707.

"Happily Ever After in Case Management... Making Dreams Come True"

The 2014 conference was a great success. We collected over 30 books and donated them to Helping Hands Home here in Austin.

The Best Decorated Booth went to Accolade Home Care. Their Fairy Tale was "Alice in Wonderland" They entertained everyone with a Photo Booth using hand held props from the storyline. *Pictured: Shallen Conner and Lorie Northam*



We would like to Thank our Sponsors for the 2014 ACMA Conference

Acadian Ambulance Services, Brookdale Senior Living, Centre for NeuroSkills, CORE Health Care, Encompass Home Health, Epic Health Services, HealthSouth, Reliant Central Texas, River Kids Pediatric Home Health, and Warm Springs Specialty Hospitals.

Time to Renew Your Membership

The 2014 membership application is on our website at http://www.austin-cma.org/acma_membership_app.pdf. You may bring the completed form to the ACMA monthly meeting. Membership is good from January 2014 through December 2014. All renewals are due by May 2014. 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 during 2013**

May Health Observances

May 11 - 17, 2014
[National Women's Health Week](#)

May 19 - 25
[National Recreational Water
Illness and Injury \(RWII\)
Prevention Week](#)

May 20
[World Autoimmune Arthritis Day](#)

May 28, 2014
[National Senior Health & Fitness
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If you or your company has a great speaker and have CEU's or are interested in sponsoring the food for our monthly meeting next year please contact Shallen Conner or Lorna Allen. Don't forget 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.

WANTED: Dessert Sponsors

If you are a small agency that can't quite afford to sponsor a monthly meeting with lunch how about sponsoring Desserts at a monthly meeting. If interested contact Lorna Allen or Shallen Conner.



Check the Jobs & Events pages of our website

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). For other events, please visit the [Central Texas Association of Healthcare Quality \(CTAHQ\) website](#) and [Facebook page](#).