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for Healthcare Professionals

February 2006

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

Join us for our next meeting Tuesday, Feb. 14 ★ 11:45 a.m.

This month's meeting will be at North Austin Medical Center Auditorium on the 2nd floor, Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2006, (Click here for [MapQuest 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 CEU's.

Our speaker, **Dr. McCarty**, will be speaking on "An Indepth Look at Stroke and Stroke Prevention"

Dr. McCarty received his medical education and internship from the University of Oklahoma. He completed his anesthesia residency at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio. He spent 13 years in Tyler, Texas, furthering his career as an anesthesiologist and gaining skill in acute and chronic pain medicine. There, he chartered and developed what is now one of the largest practices in the state. After completing an Interventional Pain Medicine fellowship at the University of South Florida in Tampa, he joined Austin Pain Associates. He is an active member of the International Spinal Injection Society and the American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians.

He assisted in the development of the Stroke Programs at Brackenridge and Seton Medical Centers, which were awarded primary stroke designation status by JCAHO (the first in the state of Texas). He is an assistant Professor and Director for the UTMB Neurology Residency Program.

Darryl Camp, M.D. is the Medical Director of Neurology for the Seton Network and is a Diplomat of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.

Dr. Camp has won numerous awards, is involved in several research studies and has published several articles including Stroke Prevention in Atrial Fibrillation and Infrared Transmission of Bovine Ocular Media.



Austin Home Health has always been locally owned and operated and founded in 1995 by Kevin Meagher, RN. It has remained Medicare certified throughout its existence and has received a "zero deficiencies" rating in 2002 and 2004, with only one minor discrepancy in 2003 that was corrected before the examiner left the premises. Service areas now include all of Travis and Hays Counties, most of Williamson County, and the tangential areas of Bastrop, Burnet, Caldwell, Guadalupe, and Comal

Counties. Immediate expansion plans include most of Burnet, Llano, and Blanco Counties.

Austin Home Health pioneered the pre-surgical visit program for total joint replacements in the summer of 2003. Its field staff for these and other services includes RNs, LVNs, PTs, PTAs, OTs, STs, MSWs, & HHAs. Austin Home Health is in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations regarding discrimination in patient care and employment relationships. In addition to Medicare, Austin Home Health is also a provider for Blue Cross Blue Shield, Aetna, United Healthcare, and a few other insurance companies. The agency enjoys an excellent relationship with Case Managers throughout the area and is a staunch supporter of the Austin Case Management Association, having twice been a Gold Sponsor for the annual ACMA Conference.

The offices for the Austin area are located at 912 South Capital of Texas Highway, Suite 350, on the third floor of the Vista Ridge building with beautiful panoramic views of the Austin skyline. There is also a branch office in San Marcos, located at 829 North LBJ, Suite 104. Plans are underway to open another branch in Round Rock.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

It is time to renew your membership to ACMA. For another year, the board elected to maintain the current membership dues of \$30. This entitles you to monthly CEU's, lunch and the opportunity to network with your peers. The application is available on our web site. All monies and applications are due by March, 1, 2006.

We are encouraging members to include an email address on your application. This not only expedites the distribution of the newsletter, but is also a cost savings for the Association.

This is also the time of year to place your ad in the annual Membership Directory. The directory is distributed to all ACMA members including Case Managers, Social Workers, Nurses, Therapists, etc. This is an excellent opportunity to advertise your

company throughout the Healthcare field. The cost is very reasonable!

Prices and sizes are as follows:

- * Business card ad is \$25
- * 1/4 page is \$50
- * 1/2 page is \$75
- * Full page is ONLY \$125

To advertise, all we need is a clean copy of your company's logo, an ad placement copy or business card. If you advertised last year and want to run the same ad this year, just let us know. Deadline is March 31, 2006.

For more information contact Lee Bowman at 512-836-1234 or email at leebowman911@hotmail.com

JOB OPPORTUNITIES: BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION AND RISK MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS

Senior Case Managers position for our Third Party Administrators Company. Interested persons are required to be an RN, previous experience with workers compensation and/or employee benefits pre-authorization and management background

Contact: Emily Benefield, RN, CCM, LNCC, www.jicompanies.com or call 512.427.2365

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

It's never too early to get your request to be a sponsor for the 2006 ACMA Conference! Contact Lee Bowman for additional information.

NEWSLETTER

If you have announcements for the month of February, please e-mail Cindy Lawless your topic and sponsor information by the 20th of preceding month at newsletter@austin-cma.org and thank you to everyone for your responses.

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