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June 2012

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MEETING LOCATION CHANGE AS of APRIL Notice: Our Meeting is NOW in Bldg #626

Tuesday, June 12★ 11:45 a.m.

We would like to thank AUSTIN STATE HOSPITAL for allowing us to have our monthly meeting now at the Nifty Fifty Conference Room. The meeting has been moved to the “Nifty Fifty” Conference Room, building #626. When you turn into the Austin State Hospital campus off of Guadalupe near 41st St., take the first right and then immediately fork to the left and follow the signs to the “Nifty Fifty” conference rooms. The building is marked and parking is in front.

This month’s meeting will be at the Austin State Hospital, at the Nifty Fifty #626 Tuesday, June 12, 2012 ([Click here for 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 as space is limited.**

This Month’s Meeting Speaker and Topic

Our topic this month is “**Neuromedical and Long Term Issues, Aging, and Long-Term Issues Following Traumatic Brain Injury**” presented by **Chris Persel, M.A., BCABA, CBIS, CPHM**. This session focuses on neuromedical, again, and long-term considerations for the person with traumatic brain injury (TBI). Attention is paid to both immediate and long-term issues, driven, in part, by the nature of complications seen associated with the initial injury and issues related to aging. Care giver preparation, education, and burden is discussed along with the frequency and nature

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This month’s Food Sponsor

Central Texas Rehabilitation Hospital is an inpatient acute rehabilitation hospital specializing in the care of individuals who have

been impaired by an injury or illness and are considered by their physicians to be medically stable and physically able to begin a comprehensive rehabilitation program consisting of at least three hours of therapy, five days a week. Typical diagnoses include traumatic brain injury, stroke, spinal cord injury, multi-trauma and lower extremity amputation. We are excited to announce the opening of the new CTRH location. This new 50-bed hospital is designed to help our superb rehabilitation team maximize the abilities of people with a wide range of injuries and illnesses. We are joint venture partners with the Seton Family of Hospitals and a part of the nation’s largest post-acute system, Kindred Healthcare.



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.



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.

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of longer term complications and their subsequent ramifications for proper long-term planning. Family, social, vocational, psychological, and medical complications are discussed.

Mr. Persel has worked in the field of post-acute traumatic brain injury (TBI) rehabilitation since 1980. He is currently the Director of Rehabilitation and Behavior Programming for Centre for Neuro Skills (CNS) and recently named the Chairman of the "Rehabilitation and Independent Living Special Interest Group" for The Association for Applied Behavior Analysis International. Mr. Persel has extensive experience in the design and implementation of functional skill development and behavior change programs. He has over 20 years experience in training staff on crisis intervention techniques, has been certified to teach "Professional Assault Response Training" and "Management of Assaultive Behavior." He is a Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst, a Certified Brain Injury Specialist and a Certified Professional in Healthcare Management.

June Health Observatons

June is **Cataract Awareness Month**. For materials and resources, see www.preventblindness.org/

June is **National Aphasia Awareness Month**. For materials and resources, see www.aphasia.org/

The National Safety Council designates June **National Safety Month**. For materials and resources, see www.nsc.org

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).

Senior Care of Onion Creek has an opening for **Director of Business Development**. See responsibilities, required qualifications and application information on the jobs page of the ACMA website.

2012 membership

It's that time again. The 2012 membership application on our website at www.austin-cma.org. You can bring the completed form to the May meeting or mail it with \$30: ACMA, P.O. Box 9601, Austin, TX 78757.

The names of those who have not renewed were dropped from the e-vite newsletter on April 15th, so please **Join Now**.

Membership is good from January 2012 through December 2012. All renewals are due by April 2012. 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.

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Sponsor a Monthly Meeting

If you or your company is interested in sponsoring a monthly meeting with either a speaker, food or both please contact Laura McManus. Sponsors of the monthly meeting are the exclusive parties permitted to display their information and brochures at our meeting.

New Conference Date Set

Save the Date...April 11, 2013

As many of you have heard, we elected to not have a conference in 2012. The board and conference committee together decided to take a year off. We now have reserved the 2013 conference date. It will be on **Thursday, April 11, 2013**. The board is looking for theme ideas and great speakers.

If you have any cool ideas please email them to Lee Bowman leebowman911@hotmail.com or Valerie vjkrueger@aol.com.