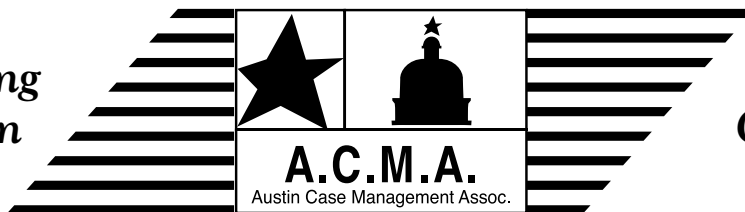


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Join us for our monthly meeting Tuesday, October 11, 2011 ★ 11:45 a.m.

This month's meeting will be at North Austin Medical Center Auditorium on the 2nd floor, Tuesday, October 11, 2011 ([Click here for directions](#)) The meeting will begin at 11:45 a.m. preceded by lunch from approximately 11:15-11:45 a.m.

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.

Our topic this month is "How to Spot Patients Eligible for Medicaid, VA Pension or Risk Pool Benefits" presented by Clyde Farrell, Certified Elder Law Attorney with FARRELL & PAK PLLC. Medicaid is not just one

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Our Speaker Sponsor this month is:

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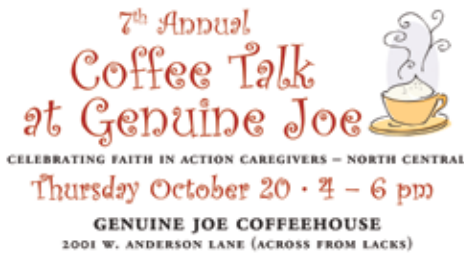


"program." The major Medicaid programs are Long-Term Care (with differing requirements for nursing home and home care settings), Children's Medicaid, and Community Medicaid (linked to SSI). There are also new programs called Medicaid Buy-In and Children's Medicaid Buy-In. The speakers will "hit the high points" of eligibility for all those programs, for VA pension, and for the old and new Risk Pool programs, including exact income and asset limits where applicable. The goal is to help medical professionals identify patients who may be eligible (often retroactively) for Medicaid or Risk Pool reimbursement or for a monthly pension from the VA.

H. Clyde Farrell is an attorney with a small firm, FARRELL & PAK PLLC, in Austin, Texas. His practice is concentrated in Elder Law, especially planning for long-term care, eligibility for Medicaid and other benefits, wills, trusts, powers of attorney and other legal documents. He is the author of Financing Long-Term Care in Texas, Public Benefits for Texans With Disabilities, and numerous other professional articles and papers. Each year 2003 through 2011, Texas Monthly has designated him a "Texas Super Lawyer" in the field of Elder Law. He is included in THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA (2008-2012), THE Best LAWYERS IN Texas (2010-2011), and AMERICA'S TOP FINANCIAL PLANNERS (2008-2011). In 2003, South Texas College of Law presented him the first "Texas Legend Award" for accomplishments and service in the field of Elder Law.

Before going into private practice in 1993, he served as an Assistant Attorney General of Texas for ten years, during which he was Chief of the Consumer Protection Division. Previously, he was a staff attorney with Texas Rural Legal Aid in South Texas. Mr. Farrell established the first Elder Law unit of the Texas Attorney General's Office and served as its first Chief. He is a founding member and past president of the Texas Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys; a past president of Family Eldercare, Inc. in Austin; and has served with numerous professional and community service organizations. He is a frequent speaker and writer at conferences on Elder Law sponsored by the State Bar of Texas, the University of Texas School of Law, the Texas Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys and other organizations.

Upcoming Events



7th Annual Coffee Talk at Genuine Joe's, Thursday, October 20th-4-6pm. Admission is \$10 donation. For more information call 302-5980. 100% of the proceeds directly benefit FIAC –North Central, a group of 16 congregations working together to care for our older neighbors. Enjoy an assortment of tasty desserts, while sampling specialty coffees and teas.

Win great prizes, including an iPad, merchant gift cards worth more than \$150 ...and many more prizes with a value of greater than \$50! ([Flyer is available for download from the events section of the ACMA website](#))

2011 HIV/AIDS and Aging Symposium

Save the Date for the 2011 Symposium: **Friday, November 4, 2011, 8am-2pm** at Meals on Wheels and More (3227 East 5th Street, 2nd floor) Registration: \$10 or \$15 for social worker CEUs (lunch included).

[Flyer is available for download from the events section of the ACMA website](#)
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Elections for the 2012 Board of Directors

The end of the year is fast approaching and it is that time to elect our new board. If you are interested in serving on the board, please contact one of the 2011 board members. Once the new Board has been nominated we will be emailing out the 2012 Ballots after the November meeting.

2011 Membership Directories

The 2011 membership directories* are still available. Pick one up at the October meeting. However, it is never too late to renew your membership. For your convenience we have attached the link to download the membership form on the [ACMA website](#). If you do not have internet access, you can contact Terri Martinez.

We also accept membership applications at the monthly meetings. Membership is good from January 2011 thru December 2011. 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 ask that you respect the privacy of your fellow ACMA members and refrain from using their email and fax information for any advertising unless you have received prior permission from the member.*

Conference News: Save the Date...October 18, 2012

The 2012 conference date is set: **Thursday, October 18, 2012.** The board is looking for theme ideas and great speakers. If you have any cool ideas, please email them to Lee leebowman911@hotmail.com or Val vjkrueger@aol.com.

ACMA meeting days and location subject to change

Please watch the newsletter carefully this year as several of our meeting dates and locations have changed. North Austin Medical Center is kind enough to allow ACMA to meet at their facility for free and occasionally they need to use the room on our “usual” meeting date. We will send out extra evite reminders when the meeting is on a different date or a different location to remind you. We are sorry for the inconvenience. **Friendly Reminder: the November meeting will be on the third Tuesday, November 15th, at NAMC.**



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