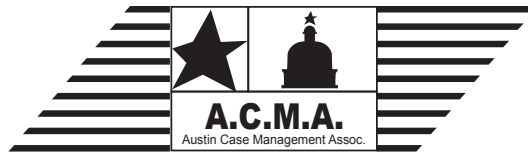


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September 2006

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, September 12 ★ 11:45 a.m.

This month's meeting will be at North Austin Medical Center Auditorium on the 2nd floor, Tuesday, September 12, 2006, (Click here for [MapQuest Directions](#)) The meeting will begin at 11:45am preceded by lunch from approximately 11:15-11:45am.

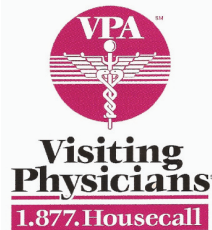
You can RSVP on our web site, www.austin-cma.org Click on "RSVP", complete the information, and you are done. Visitors are welcome for a \$5.00 charge which includes lunch and the CEU's.

Our Topic this month is: "What's New in Physician House Calls." Benefits and Outcomes for the Frail, Elderly Patient, presented by Penny Kervill, Regional Vice President of Visiting Physicians Association. Penny is responsible

for assisting Texas branch offices of Visiting Physicians develop new markets, promote and integrate new programs into existing medical services, and promote and present VPA services to individuals, corporate, governmental and non profit entities servicing the senior community.

OUR SPONSORS:

Visiting Physicians Association (VPA) is a 13 year old Phy-



sician based House Call practice headquartered in Farmington Hills, Michigan. VPA has offices in 6 states with 5 offices in Texas. In addition to employing full time board certified physicians providing specialty services for the elderly, VPA is proud to provide a fully certified laboratory offering over 100 different tests as well as a fully capable mobile diagnostics division.

VPA, using its own laboratory and diagnostics division, is bringing back old fashioned house calls with modern technology to provide the highest quality medical services available to seniors in their home.

**THE PARK AT
BECKETT MEADOWS**



Conference News

"LOST" in Case Management. October 19, 2006, 7:30-5:00pm, at the Norris Conference Center in Austin, TX.

This year's conference theme is "Lost In Case Management!" A little tropical, a little jungle and a lot of fun. This year we have a great line up of speakers, good food and outstanding networking. The main program and registration forms are now posted on the website so check out the speakers. We will be mailing out brochures soon.

This year's sponsors are:

GOLD: Sponsor-St.David's Health Care

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BRONZE: Sponsors-Lifeway Home Health, Ortho Plus, Interim Healthcare, Abiding Home Health, West Oaks Rehab and HealthCare Center, 360 Balance, American Home Patient and Apria Healthcare.

All the Exhibitor booth spaces are filled but we do have a waiting list. You may place your company on this list by downloading a reservation form, fill it out and fax it to 836-4926. (Please call 836-1234 to confirm receipt of the reservation form).

If you have any questions, contact Lee Bowman at 512-836-1234 or visit the website.

The Park at Beckett Meadows is an Assisted Living and Special Care Community. We provide quality care in a beautiful environment. We are located in Southwest Austin in a quaint neighborhood. We have a staff that has been with us for a long time and know what assisted living and special care communities are all about. We love to help and if we are not the right place for your loved we will help you find that perfect home.

**National
Adult Immunization Week
September 24 - 30, 2006**

**September is
National Healthy Aging Month**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

As you all know each quarter the ACMA chooses a community group that we as an association sponsor. The third quarter we choose Hospice Austin's Camp Brave Heart. Grieving someone's death is the common ground of the Central Texas children who attend Camp Brave Heart at John Knox Ranch near Wimberley. Guided by counselors, over 100 campers

learn from each other about grief and ways to cope with loss. The "magic" that is Camp Brave Heart comes from being with others who are "just like" them, an experience most children who have lost a loved one don't otherwise normally find. Grace Holland of Hospice Austin will accept the ACMA's check at the September meeting.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Austin, Community Care Services Department has a full-time Case Manager position available. Duties include concurrent, retrospective and utilization reviews of hospital based services, as well as, data analysis and reporting. This position is also responsible for development and implementation of disease management activities, as well as backup for Pre-Authorization of Medical services and catastrophic case management. The position requires a license to practice nursing in the State of Texas, plus previous managed care experience in medical/surgical and CM/UR/QI experience.

Interested candidates please fax your resume to Claudia Lindenberg at 972-5375 or send via email to Claudia.Lindenberg@ci.austin.tx.us.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Don't forget to pick up the 2006 ACMA Membership Rosters at the September meeting. Please take the time to look over this year's advertisers. It is with their help that we can continue to keep our dues affordable.

The updated roster with new members and changes will be out in October.

Please remember if you have changed your employment, phone numbers, or email address you need to notify membership at membership@austin-cma.org. You can also contact **Cheryl Carter** or **Terri Martinez**.

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