GCMS Board Resolution on Flint Water Quality

Come to the Ball on November 7th!

Meet Pino Colone, MD, GCMS President 2015-16

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PLEASE NOTE
The GCMS Nominating Committee seeks input from members for nominations for the GCMS Presidential Citation for Lifetime Community Service. The Committee would like to be made aware of candidates for consideration.

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NEW PRESIDENTS’ MESSAGE

I am humbled to accept the honor of serving as President of the Genesee County Medical Society for the coming year.

We have accomplished many great things over the years on behalf of our patients and members, most recently addressing the high lead levels in Flint’s water. The victory was hard fought and a result of the relentless efforts of GCMS and its members. This is who we are. This is what we do. We are physicians and we must protect our patients.

So what lies ahead? We are facing an epidemic of opiate abuse and deaths from opiate overdose. Flint is an area especially hard hit by this problem. I have been asked to chair a Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) Task Force on Opiate Stewardship. This group will work with a Task Force newly appointed by Gov. Rick Snyder which seeks to unite various groups, including healthcare, MSMS, law enforcement, and others, to find ways to better identify patients and prescribers who are contributing to the problem. It also focuses on a public campaign to increase awareness and expanding access to treatment programs. It would require additional training for law enforcement officials who do not deal with narcotics regularly. This initiative by the governor and MSMS will, hopefully, make a significant impact on the opiate abuse and diversion problem in Genesee and throughout the state.

I hope that I can continue the great traditions of GCMS and those on whose shoulders I stand. I am proud to be a member of GCMS. I look forward to an exciting year ahead.

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November is here. This is the season for change at the Medical Society. For those of you who do not sit on the Board of Directors, you would not have had a chance to watch Dr. Deborah Duncan serve as President. She was wonderful. You could see her excitement, her frustration, her style and her enjoyment of the myriad interventions performed by the Medical Society over the course of the past year. Please come to the President’s Ball and celebrate the effort that she has put in, and the leadership that she has provided.

Dr. Pino Colone will be a completely different person to watch as President. He is an experienced leader who runs the MSMS House of Delegates with a deft hand as Speaker. He has served on the GCMS and the MSMS Board for many years. I look forward to reading his monthly Presidents’ messages. I also look forward to benefiting as a physician from the leadership provided by him as President in the same way that I’ve enjoyed his predecessors.

We are so lucky to be represented by an organization that works diligently on our behalf, and on behalf of the public. Over the course of the past month, the Medical Society has been at the forefront on the issue of the quality of Flint City water. You have seen much about it in the news media, both local and national. You have probably been teased about the situation by your friends across the country. You can be proud of what your organization done. GCMS is one of several organizations that have worked together to press for a safer water supply for the population of the City of Flint. We all wish it wasn’t necessary but it was.

Happy Thanksgiving. This is a year for realizing how lucky we in the medical community are.
A Community Symposium on Human Trafficking was held Sept. 15 to educate the community, lay and health professionals, on the issue of human trafficking. The symposium was part of the grant received from the Department of Health and Human Services. The Greater Flint Health Coalition served as fiscal intermediary for the project.

Approximately 140 people from more than 30 organizations attended the symposium. It was cosponsored by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, the Greater Flint Health Coalition, Genesee County Human Trafficking Task Force, Genesee County Medical Society Alliance, and Genesee County Osteopathic Association.

The seminar was divided into three panels, local, state and federal. It included an explanation of the Physician’s Toolkit. Faculty included Judge David Newblatt; state Sen. David Robertson; state Sen. Jim Ananich; Genesee County Medical Society President Deborah Duncan, MD; Genesee County Medical Society Alliance Co-Presidents Raquel Yapchai and Maria McCann; Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton, Amy Hovey of Congressman Kildee’s staff; Kasie White from the University of Michigan - Flint; Christina Noelle from the YMCA of Flint; Lindsay Younger, Chair of the Genesee County Human Trafficking Task Force; Kristin McBride, Human Trafficking Program Coordinator for the Genesee County Medical Society; Peter Levine, Executive Director, Genesee County Medical Society; Sarah Woodward, Assistant US Attorney; Steven Kramer, Michigan State Police; Evla Jankowski, Genesee Intermediate School District, and Dan Russell, Genesee Health System.

This was the most comprehensive presentation on the community’s approach to trafficking to date. For more information, please access the human trafficking tool kit online at http://gcms.org/bulletins.php.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S MESSAGE

WOW, THIS HAS BEEN A WILD COUPLE OF MONTHS!

HealthPlus has gone through major transitions with Molina and HAP. ICD-10 went into effect. Legislation has been swirling around relating to scope of practice. GCMS released its Human Trafficking Toolkit. The Flint water issue brought Flint firmly back into the national limelight, in fact the international limelight.

First of all, I want to call everyone’s attention to the GCMS Board’s actions of late September, which coincided with the actions of Hurley Medical Center, and Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha, releasing her study on lead levels, the Greater Flint Health Coalition, and Mott Children’s Health Center all simultaneously passing resolutions asking the City of Flint and Genesee County to declare a lead advisory. It seemed like the political process was mired, and physicians stepped up to demand that children be protected from the impacts of lead. Certainly U.S. Representative Dan Kildee, Sen. Jim Ananich, and Rep. Sheldon Neeley stepped up in a big way to do the right things by the community. Compliments as well to the difficult role that Mayor Dayne Walling had to play in this process. He asked for our input, and we gave it.

This is also a time of transition within the Medical Society. Every year, in early November, we install a new President at the Annual GCMS/GCMSA President’s Ball. This year we will honor Dr. Deborah Duncan, and install Dr. Pino Colone whose biography is contained in this issue of The Bulletin. Most of you know him, because he has been a member of GCMS since he was a medical student. Please welcome him and offer him your support. This is also the time when GCMS loses a President. Dr. Deborah Duncan has led GCMS through some complicated issues, most of which are completely alien to the average practicing physician. Through it all, she functioned with grace, humor, assertiveness, and most of all, kept everyone engaged. On a personal level, Sherry and I must thank her for her work, her presence, and for her unwavering support.

Don’t forget to RSVP to attend the November 7th President’s Ball. It will be a blast and you will not want to miss it!

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PINO D. COLONE, MD, FACEP

Dr. Pino Colone has been a poster child for organized medicine leadership since his medical student years. He has chaired the Michigan State Medical Society Medical Student, Residents, and Young Physicians Sections. He has represented the Young Physicians Section at the MSMS House of Delegates. He has served as an Alternate Delegate and Delegate to the AMA from the Michigan State Medical Society to the AMA House of Delegates. He has served as Vice Speaker and Speaker of the Michigan State Medical Society House of Delegates. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Genesee County Medical Society since 1998, and has served on the GCMS Legislative Liaison Committee. He has chaired many Reference Committees at the MSMS House of Delegates, and served as the Chair of a Reference Committee at the AMA House of Delegates. In 2003, he was awarded the AMA Foundation Leadership Award. He also has served as President of the Emergency Medicine Residents Association of Michigan, and is a past member of the Ingham and Washtenaw County Medical Societies during his student years. So, his credentials as a leader are firmly established. Add to that his vast experience in the emergency department, and you have a President who is more than able to communicate and advocate on behalf of physicians of all specialties and professional situations.

If you ask Dr. Colone how he sees himself in 2015, he grins and tells you immediately “I am a single dad with two kids, aged eight and three. Giulia, and Luca.” He juggles his responsibilities as a parent with his role as Interim Service Chief at the Emergency Department of Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital. He served from 1995-2007 in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Hurley Medical Center and also at the Department of Emergency Medicine at University of Michigan Hospital, from 1995-2007. His love of this county has never wavered since he came here as a medical student. Dr. Colone lives in Howell, which is a contiguous county. This explains how he was able to keep his membership in GCMS after he began working for Henry Ford Hospital. Dr. Colone also has a home in Italy. He goes there once a year to maintain close ties with family still living there.

Dr. Colone has served a physician volunteer for the Maccabi Games. He has also served on the Genesee County Medical Control Authority Disaster, Weapons of Mass Destruction Advisory, the Patient Decontamination, and the County Disaster Committees.

Dr. Colone feels strongly about the revitalization of Genesee County’s health status through GCMS’ work on the City of Flint’s lead in water issues, human trafficking, the fitness push, and the 14 Things to Improve Health document. These initiatives are of critical import from a community.
health and development standpoint, and to establish physicians as critical members in the regrowth of Genesee County. These are the prevention issues that must be incorporated into daily life along with changes of individuals’ health behaviors. A healthier Flint and Genesee County will lead to a healthier, more vibrant community and make it possible to be a more attractive landing place for new physicians. He is very interested in communicating safety tips and proper use of the ER to the public, and representing physicians as needed and as directed by the GCMS Board of Directors on issues of critical import to the future of medicine. He is also planning to achieve one hour GCMS Board meetings. Please support Dr. Colone and the GCMS Board in their efforts to work on your benefit.
**FREE! Commit to Fit! Class Schedule**

Commit to Fit offers fitness classes and healthy cooking demonstrations at **no cost** to all individuals who live or work in Flint and Genesee County. Depending on the facility, participants may be asked to complete a brief registration form prior to attending a class. Class sizes are limited and are on a “first-come, first-served” basis. Fitness Centers require participants to be age 18 and older, other locations are open to all ages. See back side for details.

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**November 2015 Calendar**

- No fitness classes will be held at the U of M Flint Recreation Center
  November 23-28.
- Classes will resume Monday, November 30, 2015

**The Healthy Holiday Challenge Starts Monday, November 16th.**
- Registration opens November 4th at Commit2fit.com
Basic Yoga (1 hour) - This class is a balanced flow of postures designed to build stamina, strength, and flexibility while promoting weight loss and general stress relief.

Insight Health & Fitness Center (IHFC)
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303 E. Kearsley
Flint, MI 48502
(810) 762-3441

Healthy Cooking Demonstration (30 minutes) - Learn how to cook a simple, healthy dish by a vendor at the Market and try a sample after!

Flint Farmers’ Market
300 E. First St
Flint, MI 48502
(810) 232-1399

Fit Club Workouts (45 minutes) – Join the Fit Club every Tuesday at 5:30 pm for fun boot camp style workout videos. All ages are encouraged to attend! Check out their Facebook page for up-to-date information!

The Flint Local 432
124 W. 1st Street
Flint, MI 48503
(810) 813-4000

Enhance Fitness (1 hour) – A fun, energizing class geared toward improving overall functioning and well-being. Improve your cardiovascular fitness, strength, flexibility and balance!

Hasselbring Senior Center
1002 Home Ave.
Flint, MI 48504
(810) 768-7128

Senior Stretch (1 hour) - This class will help improve overall strength and flexibility. The class is led by a certified senior fitness instructor who will guide you through the exercises at your own pace. This class is perfect for all ability levels.

YMCA Downtown Flint
411 E. 3rd Street
Flint, MI 48503
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Questions?
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• The GCMS Board of Directors and another entity worked together to intervene with an entity which mistreated several members of its medical staff, reversing the inappropriate decision

• GCMS provided help to two physician groups with significant third-party payer problems

• GCMS provided advice to members on regulatory issues

• The GCMS Board issued a resolution to the news media on the Flint lead in water issue that helped push the City of Flint and the County to issue lead advisories

• GCMS participated with other community leader organizations in pushing the city of Flint back to the Detroit water system due to public health concerns

• GCMS coordinated its Flint water activities with the other leadership organizations and coordinated approaches to the media, elected officials and appointed officials

• GCMS provided the opportunity for physicians attending the MSMS Annual Scientific Meeting to attend a session on the Human Trafficking Toolkit developed by and for GCMS members and for implementation statewide
Resolution
Requesting the Release of a Health Advisory by the City of Flint and the County of Genesee Regarding Elevated Levels of Lead in the City of Flint Water Supply and the Associated Public-Health Threat to All City Residents, with an Emphasis on Children
(Approved by the Genesee County Medical Society Board of Directors, 9/22/2015)

Whereas, the Genesee County Medical Society is a Genesee County based collective impact organization of physicians whose mission includes improving the health status of the residents of Genesee county, and

Whereas, the Genesee County Medical Society Board of Directors is composed of a cross-section of physicians across hospital, specialty, ethnic, religious and geographical lines within the county, and

Whereas, the Genesee County Medical Board of Directors has engaged in multiple discussions and reviewed detailed information regarding the state of the City of Flint's water supply and its potential health impacts to all residents; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Genesee County Medical Society Board of Directors request a release of a health advisory from the City of Flint and its Department of Public works, as well as the County of Genesee and it's Health Department, with urgency, regarding the impact of elevated levels of lead in the Flint City water supply on all residents, with emphasis on the public-health threat to children; and be it further

Resolved, that the health advisory encourage breast feeding, advise no-use of tap water by high risk groups, including infants who are fed formula, pregnant mothers, breastfeeding women, the immune compromised and the elderly; and be it further

Resolved, that a method be developed by the appropriate governmental agencies to distribute lead clearing NSF-approved filters; and be it further

Resolved, that public education be increased regarding the precautions which can reduce the risk of lead contamination of the water that is used including flushing the household system appropriately; and be it further

Resolved, that the City of Flint connect to the Lake Huron water source as soon as is practicable; and be it further

Resolved, that the Genesee County Medical Society Board calls on the City of Flint Department of Public Works and the Genesee County Health Department to work collaboratively as much as is practicable on sharing information on a proactive basis on water quality issues; and be it further

Resolved, that the Flint Water Advisory Council be convened as soon as practicable and to convene it monthly until the water crisis abates; and be it further

Resolved, that all regulatory agencies, at the local, state and federal levels which must participate in the solution to this City of Flint water supply health alert collaborate with each other on a proactive basis, on behalf of our City of Flint patients and our greater Genesee county patients.
Dr. Subbareddy V. Gali passed away in early October. Dr. Gali is survived by his son, Ramu of Houston, Texas, and daughter, Bharghavi of Rochester, Minnesota, and four grandchildren.

Dr. Subbareddy Gali was born in India in 1936. He received his medical degree from the Medical College of Kurnool, AP State, India, in 1961. He completed an internship at McLaren Hospital in Flint in 1970, and completed his residency in surgery in 1974, also at McLaren. Dr. Gali served as Medical Director for Chevrolet, Flint Manufacturing, for many years.

Dr. Gali retired from practice in 1997.
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On October 5th, the GCMS Legislative Liaison Committee met with state Sens. Dave Robertson and Jim Ananich, state Rep. Joe Graves, as well as Clyde Edwards from state Rep. Sheldon Neeley’s office, and Nicole Derusha-Mackey from Rep. Pam Faris’ office. Also present was Joe Neller of Michigan State Medical Society’s staff.

The Committee reviewed several bills relating to scope of practice. It was noted that MSMS opposes Senate Bill 320, which would eliminate the current requirement for physician supervision of anesthesia care. MSMS is seeking an agreeable resolution to Senate Bill 68, which involves advanced practice nursing scope of practice expansion. MSMS is opposing as unnecessary, House Bill 4598, which would seek to license direct entry midwives.

The Committee held a vibrant discussion on the issue of maintenance of certification of physicians. There was consensus among those present, that certification is not an appropriate single determinant to quality. There was also a strong sentiment that continuing medical education would serve the public better than maintenance of certification.

Another area of lively discussion included the issue of retroactive audit. MSMS is seeking substantial revisions to the ability of insurers to retroactively audit and demand repayment, to make it more consistent with the timeframe allowed for billing.

Joe Neller discussed issues relating to graduate medical education funding, continuation of primary care uplift, and opposition to cutting any physician fees under Medicaid.

A topic of substantial future discussion will be prescription drug diversion issues. There is a Task Force in the legislature to look specifically at this issue. Sen. Jim Ananich serves on that Task Force and will keep the Committee abreast with its actions.
Issues Of Serious Concern For Medical Practices!

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The following topics are tentatively scheduled, and subject to change

November, December: Meeting Recessed

January Topic: ICD-10 Update, Top payers will provide information on ICD-10 definitions and deficiencies that practices need to be aware of.


Light breakfast available - coffee, tea, yogurt, fruit cups and granola bars

Held 4th Thursday of each month from 8am to 10am.

Genesee County Medical Society Rapport Conference Room
4438 Oak Bridge Drive, Suite B
Flint, MI 48532
Genesee County Medical Society
Board of Directors
August 25, 2015 - Minutes

I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order in the Rapport Conference Room at 6:00pm, by Deborah Duncan, MD, President. She introduced Drs. Mary Ann Betty, Dunya Mohammad, Saif Ullah, Linville Fleetwood, and Randy Schumacher.

II. Review of Minutes
Motion: that the minutes and decisions of the June 23, 2015 Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented. The motion carried.

III. Reports
A) Human Trafficking Victim Identification Toolkit
Peter Levine and Kristin McBride reviewed the Human Trafficking Victim Identification Toolkit for Physicians and Other Medical Professionals developed under a grant received from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services via the Greater Flint Health Coalition. They also reported that a major community-wide symposium on human trafficking will be held on September 15th

B) Community & Environmental Health
1. Flint Mayor's Water Quality Technical Advisory Committee
   Dr. Gerald Natzke reported that there has been no recent meeting of the Water Quality Technical Advisory Committee, but that chlorination will continue.

2. Water Fluoridation
   Motion: That based on the GCMS board and the MSMS House of Delegate's passing the resolution of the Precautionary Principle, that fluoridation be determined unsafe for use in the Flint City water system until further investigation proves otherwise. The motion failed 9 to 8.

C) Finance
1. Budget-to-Actual report for the period ending July 31, 2015
   Motion: that the Budget-to-Actual report for the period ending May 31, 2015 be approved as presented. The motion carried.

2. Fundraising Committee Report
   Dr. Duncan reported that no change has occurred on the fundraising front in the past couple of months. She requested help from the Board in generating more contributions.

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Dr. Duncan explained that the Fundraising Committee is still at $232,000 in commitments and contributions. However, there are several physicians who have indicated that they are planning to make significant donations to the Foundation.

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E) Presidents’ Report

1. Dr. Duncan reported that on September 10th, the Town Hall Meeting on Great Lakes Health Connect will be held.

2. August Practice Managers Meeting: Value-based Payment Modifiers

Dr. Duncan invited everyone to send their practice manager to this meeting on August 27th.

Dr. Duncan also reminded everyone of the September 15th Community Symposium on Human Trafficking, as well as the September practice manager’s meeting which will involve a Blue Cross update.

IV. New Business

A) 2016 Resolution – Prior Authorization Tiering

Motion: that the resolution entitled Prior Authorization and Tiering be approved as presented for submission to the MSMS 2016 House of Delegates. The motion carried.

B) Update on Request to BCBSM for 1% Uplift

Consensus: that discussion be deferred until the September Board meeting with an update requested from MSMS.

C) Medical Staff Privileges at Nursing Homes

On behalf of two physicians present, Peter Levine briefly reviewed a medical staff privilege issue at one of the local nursing homes.

Dr. Linval Fleetwood reviewed a letter he received from a nursing home informing him that his privileges had been revoked because an outside group is being brought in. He noted that his patients were there because he placed them there, and he has spent over thirty years caring for patients at that particular facility. He stated that he feels a patient has the right to choose their own physician. He asked the Medical Society to be cognizant of what is happening. He noted that it is a hospitalist company that will be taking over at the nursing home.
Directive: Staff was directed to develop a letter to the nursing home asking them to not revoke privileges and to ask the nursing home to explain the decision making process regarding revocation of privileges of the involved physicians. It should also be noted that those physicians are at some liability because revocation of licensure has an impact on ones future.

V. Next Meeting
   The next meeting of the GCMS Board of Directors will be September 22, 2015.

VI. Adjournment
   No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Levine, MPH
Executive Director
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**— November 2015 —**

**2015 GCMS Presidents’ Ball**
November 7, 2015 - 6 o'clock pm
Warwick Hills Golf & Country Club

#### Legislative Liaison Committee
Recessed

#### Bulletin Committee, 11/4
7:30am, GCMS Office

#### C-Section Task Force, 11/23
6pm, GCMS Office

#### Finance Committee, 11/24
5:30pm, GCMS Office

#### Board of Directors, 11/24
6pm, GCMS Office

#### Community & Environmental Health Committee, 11/25
12:30pm, GCMS Office

#### Practice Managers
Recessed

#### MSF Fundraising Committee
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Within the last five years, have you been the subject of any disciplinary action by any medical society or hospital staff?:  Yes  No  If “yes”, please provide full information:

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I agree to support the County Medical Society Constitution and Bylaws, the Michigan State Medical Society Constitution and Bylaws, and the Principles of Ethics of the American Medical Association as applied by the AMA and the MSMS Judicial Commission.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

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