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Message from the President

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The Calm Before the Storm

Every year I get the opportunity to visit with my family physician colleagues from around the state at the annual meeting of the New Mexico chapter of the American Academy of Family Physicians. I am happy to report that the mood at this summer's annual meeting in Ruidoso was cautiously optimistic or as one physician put it, "the weather generally looks good but we will likely see a thunderstorm or two along the way." This cautious optimism is definitely a different mood from last year's meeting where almost everyone seemed unsettled. Last year I spoke to a number of physicians unhappy in their work settings and moving on to try new things. Those who left large groups seem happier in smaller groups or as independents and those who closed their small or independent practices to join larger groups also seem happy. Most of those physicians are now waiting cautiously to see what actually comes from the PPA-CA - especially with regard to a renewed focus on the importance of primary care. There's also a wait and see approach to Governor Martinez's Medicaid Modernization Plan. For the most part, though I found the group to be upbeat about the future.

Notable from the AAFP meeting was the election of GAMA member **Dr. Melissa Garcia** as vice president as well as an interesting and engaging talk on the current state of health policy delivered by GAMA member **Dr. Dan Derksen**. **Dr. Karen Valiant**, president of NMMS, and past president of NMAAFP, hosted a wonderful party for the family medicine residents present.

Speaking of elections, congratulations go out to **Dr. Barbara McAneny** and **Dr. Sandra Whisler** who will represent GAMA on the NMMS council. A big thank you goes out to **Dr. Steven Jenkusky**, **Dr. April Volk**, **Dr. Marion Jordon** and **Dr. David Fillmore** who honored themselves and GAMA by standing for election for councilor. Elections for 2012 GAMA trustees and officers will be coming up soon and I'd like to encourage anyone interested in getting involved with GAMA to email me and let me know so we can get you on the ballot.

Important upcoming dates include the GAMA night at the Isotopes August 7th, the GAMA Family Fun Fiesta at the National Hispanic Cultural Center September 18th, the GAMA hosted reception for the Interim Legislative Health and Human Service Committee October 5th, the GAMA Expo Thursday October 27th and the GAMA Annual meeting January 10th 2012.

See you there...

Have a have a good month, take good care of your patients and take good care of yourself.

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Jeremy Gleeson, M.D. - Editor

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Article and ad submission deadlines
for the September Newsletter
Wednesday, August 10, 2011

OPT IN OR OPT OUT

I don't always pay detailed attention to the decisions of the US Supreme Court. On one recent occasion my daughter, a final year law student at UNM, told me about a recent decision she thought I might find interesting. She told me, as an incentive to take a look at it, that the Supreme Court opinion was short – in fact it is 53 pages. She asked, “Do you know that the drug companies know all about what drugs you doctors are prescribing?” My interest was piqued. Well yes. Most of us are aware that drug detailing is not a hit or miss event. The drug representatives are usually very well armed with data about the prescribing practices of the doctors they visit.



Jeremy Gleeson, M.D.

The pharmaceutical industry's source of doctor level prescribing information is from data obtained from pharmacies, packaged by data miners, and provided to the drug companies. You might be surprised at one organization that facilitates the acquisition of this information by the drug companies, none other than the American Medical Association. The AMA sells its physician master file - including the 80% or so who are not AMA members – which allows the prescriptions to be linked to the prescribers.

The state of Vermont contended that drug companies' access to doctors' prescribing data was not in the State's interest and attempted to restrict their access to pharmacy data. I'm not sure it is in doctors or patients' interests either. However, to glean the bottom line from the 53-page decision, the Supreme Court decided that pharmaceutical companies' access to prescribing information was protected by the Constitution's freedom of speech provisions. Forgive me, but I'm not sure how data mining about prescribing practices is “speech” of any sort – although it presumably informs subsequent “speech” – even allowing for a very broad definition of “speech” including activities unheard of in the 18th Century. (To see why data mining is “speech,” in the opinion of the majority (6 vs. 3) you will have to read the 53 pages.)

Presumably the court decision protects the sharing of prescribing data with drug companies. Whether or not we agree with the AMA's provision of physician data to the data miners, and ultimately to the drug companies, we do have rights regarding our individual prescribing data. We can choose to opt out, and decline to have our prescribing data shared. I suggest we all make a personal choice about whether we want our data to be shared and act accordingly. (Contact the AMA or go to <http://www.ama-assn.org/>.) There is, of course, nothing to stop us personally sharing any or our (non-identified) prescribing data with any individual representative if we choose.

Currently we are required to take action and “opt out” if we do not want our prescribing data to be shared. While “opt in” or “opt out” provisions can both protect our individual choices, it is well known that the resulting level of participation is usually very different. Another issue, of vastly more importance than pharmaceutical detailing, is that of post mortem organ donation. At the present time we have to “opt in” if we wish to be organ donors. We have to take action if we wish to be organ donors – and have this noted on a driving license.

Is this the wrong way round? I wonder if we should have to “opt out” of an action that will benefit society in general – say organ donation, but “opt in” where the activity – sharing prescribing data - is to support a particular commercial interest.



Dawn Travelstead, RD, CDE; Cynthia Petersen, MA, LPCC, LADAC; Michele Zerah, MD; Ellen Kaufman, MD; Mary Wilcox, RN, CDE.
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Risk Tip: Cyberchondria: Managing Self-Diagnosed Patients

Search engines and the Internet are impacting patient behavior—eight out of 10 people use the Internet to look for health information, but only 25 percent of those people verify the credibility of their information source before self-diagnosing. It gets even more complicated when patients order drugs directly over the Web.

The debate among physicians about the credibility of online information is as old as the Internet itself. As a caregiver, it's safe to assume that patients will come into the office already attached to a perceived diagnosis and possibly using medications improperly, based on their own online research.

Consider the following example: A 25 year-old patient experiences a sore throat and slight fever that persists for several days. The patient decides to visit a common website known for its medical information. The patient self-diagnoses himself with a bacterial infection and attempts to self-treat by taking expired medication left over from a previous staph infection.

While health care is not "*do-it-yourself*," an informed patient can be an asset. A poorly informed patient, on the other hand, clearly complicates treatment. Assume the responsibility of being the primary information source and educator for your patient. To help deal with a self-diagnosing patient, consider the following:

- Encourage your patient to always check with you about the accuracy of information obtained from external sources. Use the intake time to find out what Internet information the patient has found.
- Directly discuss what the patient has read, even if the patient's external source is a good one in your professional opinion. The exchange enhances your relationship with the patient and can increase treatment compliance. Welcome questions, and help put the patient's information in the appropriate context.
- Provide your patient with a list of Web sites that provide accurate information, such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (www.cdc.gov). Make sure the patient understands the limitations of the Internet.
- Document in the patient's chart your diagnosis, your treatment management plan, and medication prescribed, as well as the reasons behind your decisions.

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MINUTES - BOARD OF TRUSTEES June 9, 2011

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 12, 2011
The minutes of the May 12, 2011 meeting were unanimously approved.

II. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS
a. The following applications were unanimously approved for membership.

COMPLETED MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS June 9, 2011

Name	Practice
Sokolich MD, Julio Cesar.....	New Mexico Surgical Associates – General Surgery
Yu MD, Limin.....	PMG San Mateo – Pathology

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Delinquent Members: With the addition of new members the count has moved into the forties; this will decrease as new members pay their dues. The Board requested that new members be identified.
- GAMA Quarterly Membership Professional Development/Educational meetings: The 3rd quarter program proposed was the following: "The NM Corporate Fix: What If . . . & What Are My Options?" Following discussion the concept was approved and Snyder was directed to move forward with development of the program.
- GAMA Advocacy Plan:
 - Snyder to attend the LHHSC organization meeting on June 14.
 - Report back to the Board re meeting dates in ABQ and the hosting of a reception for the committee members.
- Facilities Committee Report – Snyder reported that negotiations were successfully moving forward. She reported that GAMA has the opportunity to purchase needed office furnishings from the NM Bankers Association at considerably below market value.
- GAMA Future Events:
 - GAMA Fun & Fitness Mini Events
 - "BikingN'Bosque" – June 18
 - Cumulative Marathon – August 13 or 27
 - UNM Cumulative Marathon or Half Marathon
 - UNM Football Game (TBD)
 - Emeritus Society: August 3, 2011
 - "Family Fun Fiesta" – Sunday, September 18, 2011; 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM, NHCC
 - GAMA EXPO 2011 – Thursday, October 27- Marriott Pyramid
 - Preceded by a CME
 - GAMA 2012 Annual Meeting: Tuesday, January 10, 2012

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- Councilor Elections: The slate of candidates for the two 2011 Councilor positions as presented by the Nominating Committee were approved unanimously. Snyder is to move forward with the election.
- 2012 Session Advocacy: Snyder was directed to present a report on the 2011 budget, actual expenses, and proposed budget for the 2012 Session at the July Board meeting.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS –

VI. Next Board Meeting: Thursday, July 14, 2011.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Benjamin Q. Chan, M.D., Secretary

Reported by H. Diane Snyder

Approved: July 14, 2011

Candidates for Membership



Fisher DO, Diane A.

is practicing Family Practice at Southwest Medical Associates, 4420 Irving Blvd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87114, 823-1010. Dr. Fisher received her Doctor of Osteopathy in 1994 from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine in Old Westborn, NY. In 1995, she completed a one-year Family Practice Internship at the A.B. Hepburn Medical Center in Ogdensburg, NY. In 1997, she completed a two-year Allegheny Family Physicians Residency at Altoona Hospital in Altoona, PA. American Board Certified in Family Practice; Dr. Fisher is licensed to practice medicine in New Mexico.



Kiesling MD, Carol A.

is practicing Obstetrics and Gynecology at Women's Specialists of New Mexico, 201 Cedar SE Ste 5640, Albuquerque, NM 87106, 843-6168. Dr. Kiesling received her Doctorate in Medicine in 1992 from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, TX. In 1993, she completed a one-year General Internship at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Amarillo, TX. In 1996, she completed a three-year Obstetrics and Gynecology Residency at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Amarillo, TX. Dr. Kiesling is licensed to practice medicine in New Mexico and Texas.



Muneta MD, Ben

is a General Practitioner at Juan Tabo Family Medicine, 3309-C Juan Tabo Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111, 554-1786. Dr. Muneta received his Doctorate in Medicine in 1980 from the Stanford School of Medicine in Stanford, CA. In 1981, he completed a one-year Internal Medicine Internship at St. Luke's Hospital in Denver, CO. In 1992, he completed a two-year Preventive Medicine Residency at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, GA. American Board Certified in General Practice; Dr. Muneta is licensed to practice medicine in New Mexico.



Saiz MD, Lori D.

is practicing Obstetrics and Gynecology at PMG Rio Rancho, 4100 High Resort Blvd., Rio Rancho, NM 87124, 462-8870. Dr. Saiz received her Doctorate in Medicine in 2001 from the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, NM. In 2002, she completed a ten-month Obstetrics and Gynecology Internship at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, NM. In 2004, she completed a two year Obstetrics and Gynecology Residency at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, New Mexico. American Board Certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology; Dr. Saiz is licensed to practice medicine in New Mexico.



Schmit MD, Berndt P.

is practicing Radiology at Radiology Associates of Albuquerque, 4411 The 25 Way NE Suite 150, Albuquerque, NM 87109, 332-6900. Dr. Schmit received his Doctorate in Medicine in 1991 from the Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston, MA. In 1993, he completed a two-year Emergency Medicine Internship at the University of Arizona Medical Center in Tucson, AZ. In 1997, he completed a four-year Residency in Radiology at the Mt. Auburn Hospital in Cambridge, MA. In 1998, he completed a one-year Musculoskeletal Radiology & MRI Fellowship at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, MA. American Board Certified in Radiology; Dr. Schmit is licensed to practice medicine in New Mexico, Pennsylvania and California.

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CME

August 5-6, 2011

12th Annual Santa Fe Bone Symposium
Santa Fe, NM

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August 20, 2011

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September 10, 2011

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El Dorado Hotel & Spa, Santa Fe, NM

Contact: Ericka Contreras at (505) 913-5602 or ericka.contreras@stvin.org

September 14 – 16, 2011

2nd International Meeting On Indigenous Women's Health
Hotel Albuquerque At Old Town, Albuquerque, Nm

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September 30, 2011

John N. Wilson MD Lectureship - Cardiovascular Diseases Update
Marriott Pyramid North Hotel, Albuquerque, NM

Contact: Presbyterian Medical Education Department at (505) 841-1225

October 16 – 21, 2011

Update And Review Of Internal Medicine 2011

La Fonda Hotel, Santa Fe, Nm

Contact: Kathy Breckenridge At 505-272-3942 Or [Http://Hsc.Unm.Edu/Cme](http://Hsc.Unm.Edu/Cme)

October 29, 2011

Bioethics Conference: End of Life Decision Making: Ethics and Practical Applications

El Dorado Hotel & Spa, Santa Fe, NM

Contact: Ericka Contreras at (505) 913-5602 or ericka.contreras@stvin.org

November 4, 2011

James W. Wiggins MD Lectureship - Obstetrics & Gynecology Update

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Schultz MD, Kurt T.

is practicing Emergency Medicine at MD Urgent Care, 7920 Carmel Ave. NE Suite 1, Albuquerque, NM 87122, 828-4789. Dr. Schultz received his Doctorate in Medicine in 1988 from the University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Medicine in Kansas City, MO. In 1991, he completed a three-year Internal Medicine Residency from St. Mary’s Health Center in St. Louis, MO. In 1993, he completed a three-year Emergency Medicine Residency from the Brooke Army Medical Center/Wilford Hall Medical Center in San Antonio, TX. American Board Certified in Emergency Medicine; Dr. Schultz is licensed to practice medicine in New Mexico and Missouri.



Sopko MD, Karen S.

is practicing Cardiology at the New Mexico Heart Institute, 502 Elm St. NE, Albuquerque, NM, 87102, 841-1000. Dr. Sopko received her Doctorate in Medicine in 2000 from the University of New Mexico School of Medicine, Albuquerque, NM. In 2001, she completed a one-year Internal Medicine Internship at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine Affiliated Hospitals in Albuquerque, NM. In 2003, she completed a three-year Internal Medicine Residency from the University of New Mexico School of Medicine in Albuquerque, NM. In 2007, she completed a three-year Cardiovascular Diseases Fellowship at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine. American Board Certified in Internal Medicine and Cardiovascular Diseases; Dr. Sopko is licensed to practice medicine in New Mexico.



Trujillo MD, Lucianna

is practicing Pediatrics at After Hours Pediatrics, 9201 Montgomery Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM, 87110, 298-2505. Dr. Trujillo received her Doctorate in Medicine in 2008 from the University of New Mexico School of Medicine in Albuquerque, NM. In 2009, she completed a one-year Pediatrics Internship at the University of New Mexico Children’s Hospital in Albuquerque, NM. In 2011, she completed a two-year Pediatrics Residency at the University of New Mexico Children’s Hospital in Albuquerque, NM. American Board Certified in Pediatrics; Dr. Trujillo is licensed to practice medicine in New Mexico.



Villas-Adams MD, Angelina A.

is practicing Gastroenterology at Southwest Gastroenterology Associates, PC, 7788 Jefferson NE, Albuquerque, NM, 87109, 999-1600. Dr. Villas-Adams received her Doctorate in Medicine in 2005 from the University of New Mexico School of Medicine in Albuquerque, NM. In 2008, she completed a three-year Internal Medicine Residency from the University of New Mexico School of Medicine in Albuquerque, NM. In 2011, she completed a three-year Gastroenterology Fellowship from the University of New Mexico School of Medicine in Albuquerque, NM. American Board Certified in Internal Medicine; Dr. Villas-Adams is licensed to practice medicine in New Mexico.

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The Greater Albuquerque Medical Association will still be GAMA, but with a modernized version of the old logo (see masthead). GAMA letterhead, documents, website, newsletter, etc. will all carry the new brand and be color coordinated. The website not only will have a great new look; it will be more user friendly and will have enhanced member services. In addition, the public information pages will provide additional help and resources to your patients and others. The “Find A Doc” program has technical refinements and is accompanied with patient access to other helpful information/links.

GAMA EXPO

What is it?

Why Should I go?

The GAMA Expo, is Thursday October 27 from 5 to 8:00 p.m. at the Marriott Pyramid.

The Expo is a yearly event that allows GAMA members to network and learn new trends that will help you keep your practice up-to-date.

Last year, we had over 75 vendors and around 150 attendees.

Here's the top 10 reasons to attend this year's Expo:

10. Meet your colleagues
9. Learn something new to improve your medical practice.
8. Learn something new to create life balance.
7. Win a FABULOUS door prize (must preregister and be present to WIN!)
6. Free food!
5. Buy a raffle ticket and a chance for a GREAT prize to help some one less fortunate. (This year's nonprofit partner is the Barrett Foundation.)
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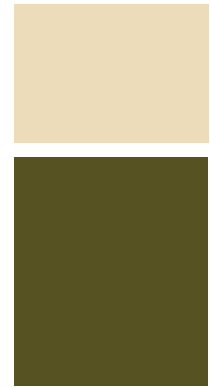
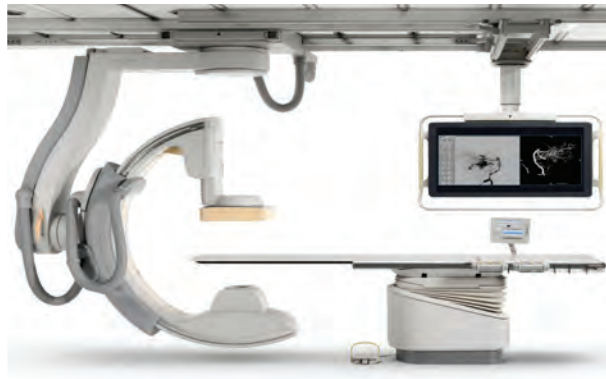


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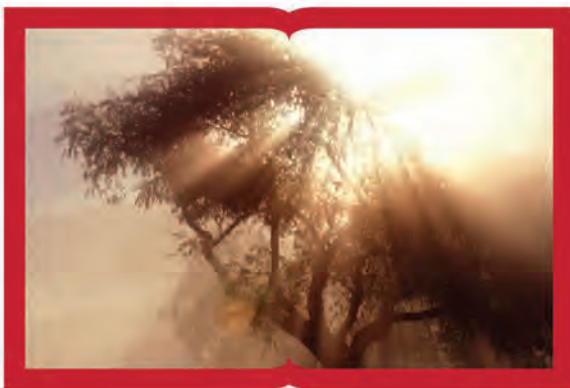
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We are currently looking for a seasoned NP or Physician to fill our Clinical Director position which entails the following responsibility: The Clinical Director works in collaboration with market operations team to provide care to eligible members while meeting financial and quality metrics for all clinical programs. Manages day-to-day operations issues for assigned clinical programs. Provides direct leadership and supervision to field-level clinical staff to meet desired clinical and business results. Builds and maintains positive relationships with facilities and primary care providers in the local market. Reports to Vice President of Clinical Services.

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10th Annual Spirituality and Health Conference Healing the Soul: Care of Self; Care of Others

Friday, September 30, 2011
University of New Mexico
Continuing Education Center

An event for physicians, healthcare workers, clergy and lay people.

Join us to learn how the quality of a person's or team's soul (inner being) has a direct bearing on multiple relationships: professional, family, work.

Our featured speaker is Fr. Richard Rohr, nationally and internationally renowned for his insights into the intersection of theology and spirituality, and the challenges and opportunities facing communities and individuals.

Early registration discount until September 9

General Public - \$75
PHS Employees/Students - \$50

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For more information or to register, call (505) 841-1191 or visit <http://www.phs.org/PHS/Chaplaincy/AnnualConference/index.htm>

GAMA UPDATES

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SAVE THE DATE
FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
GAMA FAMILY FUN
FIESTA

Where: National Hispanic
Cultural Center
Time: 3:00 PM — 6:00 PM
Fun, Food, Festivities
Free, but Reservations
Required.

This event is for GAMA physician members and their families, or potential GAMA Members please.
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Grand Rounds

8/9/2011	<p>Epigenetics of Pre-diabetes: An Interface Between Nurture & Nature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe the epidemiology of diabetes and discuss the mechanistic aspect of diabetes. Discuss the role of genes vs environment. Review the clinical translational aspect of epigenome in chronic disease -late breaking results from a study of preDM transitioning to T2DM at UNMHSC. 	<p>Vallabh Shah, MD Director of Robotic Surgery Director of Minimally Invasive Urologic Surgery Assistant Professor of Surgery University of New Mexico School of Medicine</p>
8/23/2011	<p>Molecular Diagnosis of Infectious Diseases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate the strengths and limitations of molecular diagnostic testing in infectious diseases. Discuss specific cases where molecular diagnostic testing is superior. Examine specific cases where molecular diagnostic testing is inferior. Review the importance of analytical and clinical sensitivity/specificity for certain molecular tests. 	<p>Cathy Petti, MD Vice President and Chief Medical Officer, TriCore Reference Laboratories</p>
8/31/2011	<p>New Options in Oral Anticoagulation: Dabigatran and Rivaroxaban:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss indications, risks, and benefits of the recently-approved oral anticoagulants dabigatran and rivaroxaban. Review the studies upon which FDA approval was based for these new drugs. Discuss appropriate patient selection for warfarin vs. new options. 	<p>Melissa Kennedy, MD Anticoagulation Medical Director</p>

For more information, contact Lisa McCade, Coord. Medical Education & Research at Presbyterian Healthcare Services, phone: 841-1436

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GAMA Emeritus Luncheon

Wednesday, August 3

SUBJECT: GAMA PAC

NOTE: NEW LOCATION

Site: Molina Building on Alameda and Horizon, 3rd floor at the Eye Associates Board Room from Noon to 1:30

RSVP please to 821-4583

GAMA at the Isotopes

GAMA Members and their Families

Sunday, August 7

6:05 at Isotopes Stadium

see page 11 for more the information

GAMA Family Fun Fiesta

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Sunday, Sept. 18, 2011

from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

at the National Hispanic Cultural Center

more information in the August newsletter

CME for GAMA MEMBERS and their Practice Managers BEFORE the GAMA EXPO

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Physician Networking Event

Marriott Pyramid

3-5:00 p.m.

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Noon to 1:30

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CME for GAMA Practice Managers and NM MGMA Office Staff Members only (not open to NM MGMA Vendor Members)

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November 17-18, 2011 Healthcare Financial Management Association NM Chapter And NM Medical Group Management Association

This joint conference between NMMGMA & NM HFMA is scheduled

for November 17-18, 2011

at the Sheraton Uptown in Albuquerque.

The program agenda is being finalized and will feature such topics and speakers as:

* Washington Update presented by Jennifer Martin, Government Affairs Representative, MGMA

* How to Build a Better You presented by Bryan Dodge. Dodge Development

As more sessions are finalized, additional information will be forthcoming.

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