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## Message from the Board

By Patti Dorrell, RN, MS, CBIS, President

Dear Members and friends of CMSA Central Florida,

Thank you to all members and supporters of our local chapter. Your commitment and support to our chapter is appreciated. We are the largest chapter in Florida and have maintained a membership base close to 200 for the last ten years. WOW! One of our vendors mentioned how honored he felt to be associated with such a giving group at the Holiday Party and I agree. This year we donated canned food to the hungry, provided toys for children and donated money to the homeless. I am not sure when donating back to the community started but it has been at least 15 years, 10 years ago we started giving toys for the children and 3 years ago started the food drive at the Holiday party. It warms my heart to feel I am a very small part of this great organization that does so much for others.

I want to give a big thank you to all the board from last year and especially to Darlene Armstrong, our past president. I have known Darlene since 1998 when we worked together at Humana Military. I will brag here a little - I recruited her for the board. I knew from working with her how dedicated she was to the case management profession. She has been such an asset and this past year was another successful year for our chapter. We had a great vendor show, sent 2 delegates to represent us in Washington DC for the multi state licensure issue, sent 3 representatives to the CMSA National Convention, maintained our membership and provided high quality CEUs to our members every month. Thank you Darlene for all your hard work this past year.

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*A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other.*

*~Author Unknown*

### We are looking for CEU/Lunch Sponsors!!

You will receive:

- 5-10 minutes to promote your organization
- Provide members with handouts of your organization
- Obtain list of member signatures
- Business advertisement on CMSA website with direct link to webpage

Lunch is usually provided for 60-80 people.

If Interested please contact: Joanne Davenport at  
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## This month Sponsor

**Topic:** [Fibromyalgia and other Nonarticular Rheumatic Pain Syndromes](#)

**Speaker:** [Dr Omar Quiles](#)  
[Advanced Interventional Pain Clinic](#)

**Lunch Sponsor:** [A1 Imaging: CORA](#)



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## 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of Every Month

*Educational offering  
with CEU & CCM*

### Location:

Bahia Shrine Auditorium  
2300 Pembroke Dr.  
Maitland 32701

### RSVP:

Member – free  
Non-member - \$15

### Non-RSVP:

Member – free  
Non-member - \$20

First Time Guest - FREE

RSVP to: Candace Nagata  
at 407-691-5429 or  
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Last year Darlene had a question imbedded in each month's message and asked for a response. I will tell you now I am going to continue the tradition. All of the questions will be about our current board. This month's question is - who on the board has retired at least 3 times? If you know the answer please email the answer to [patriciadorrell@yahoo.com](mailto:patriciadorrell@yahoo.com) and the first one to respond with the correct answer will be recognized at the monthly meeting.

As we begin 2012 a survey will be done to get your feedback on how the chapter can best meet your needs. We want your input and feedback. One of our challenges this year will be to maintain financial soundness. We are in not in trouble financially but as with the rest of the world the economy has affected our income while our expenses have continued to rise. So this year you may see some additional fundraising or other creative ideas for generating income. The board is committed to ensuring that CMSA Central Florida will always be here.

Yours in service and gratitude,

*Patti Dorrell*, RN, MS, CBIS  
Central Florida Chapter President



## Government News

### India records one year without polio cases

#### **One year polio free in India is a major achievement; the country was once the world's epicentre of polio**

12 January 2012 | Atlanta/Evanston/Geneva/New York/Seattle - India appears to have interrupted wild poliovirus transmission, completing one year without polio since its last case, in a 2-year-old girl in the state of West Bengal, on 13 January 2011.

India was once recognized as the world's epicentre of polio. If all pending laboratory investigations return negative, in the coming weeks India will officially be deemed to have stopped indigenous transmission of wild poliovirus. The number of polio-endemic countries, those which have never stopped indigenous wild poliovirus transmission, will then be reduced to a historical low of three: Afghanistan, Nigeria and Pakistan.

However, there remains no room for complacency. India must maintain sensitive surveillance and high childhood immunity against wild poliovirus to guard against any importation of polio until eradication is achieved globally. In 2011, Afghanistan and Pakistan have both seen alarming increases in polio cases, and poliovirus from Pakistan re-infected China (which had been polio-free since 1999). In Africa, active polio transmission continues in Chad, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Nigeria, with outbreaks in West and Central Africa in the past 12 months reminding the world that as long as polio exists anywhere, it remains a threat everywhere.

Global health leaders today paid tribute to the Government of India for its leadership and financial commitment to the polio eradication effort, and to the millions of vaccinators, community mobilizers, Rotarians, parents and caregivers who have supported polio eradication for more than a decade. The scale of the eradication effort in India is mind-boggling: each year, more than 170 million children under the age of 5 are vaccinated in two national immunization campaigns, with up to 70 million children in the highest-risk areas vaccinated multiple times in additional special campaigns; the whole effort requires nearly a billion doses of oral polio vaccine annually.

#### **Hundreds of thousands of children will be saved**

India's achievement in stopping polio will save hundreds of thousands of children from lifelong paralysis or death each year. Poliovirus can travel easily to polio-free areas. Stopping polio in India will prevent a recurrence of the polio outbreaks – due to virus of Indian origin – seen in recent years in countries as diverse as Angola, Bangladesh, Nepal, Russia and Tajikistan.

#### **An opportunity to end polio**

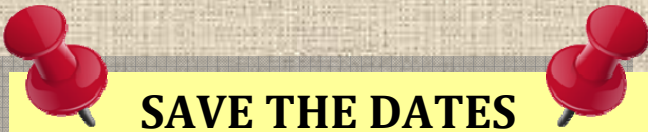
"India's success is arguably its greatest public health achievement and has provided a global opportunity to push for the end of polio," said WHO Director-General Margaret Chan. "The Global Polio Eradication Initiative is in full emergency mode and focused on using this momentum to close this crippling disease down. Stopping polio in India required creativity, perseverance and professionalism – many of the innovations in polio eradication were sparked by the challenges in India. The lessons from India must now be adapted and implemented through emergency actions to finish polio everywhere."

The key to India's remarkable progress in the fight against polio according to UNICEF Executive Director Anthony Lake, has been the strong leadership of the Government of India and state governments, which launched a comprehensive polio eradication programme that has enabled sustained high immunization coverage in states like Uttar Pradesh and Bihar with high rates of poverty, high population density and poor sanitation and infrastructure, conditions in which disease like polio can thrive.

*This article can be continued at*

[http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/releases/2012/polio\\_20120113/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/releases/2012/polio_20120113/en/index.html)

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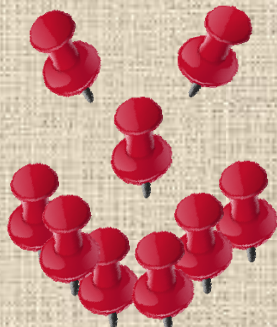


## SAVE THE DATES 2012

- Jan 26, 2012
- Feb 23, 2012
- Mar 22, 2012
- April 26, 2012
- May 24, 2012
- June 28, 2012
- July 26, 2012
- Aug 23, 2012
- Sept 27, 2012
- Oct 25, 2012
- Nov 8, 2012 Annual Vendor Show
- Dec 13, 2012 Annual Christmas Luncheon



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