

eNEWSLETTER

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Message from the board

By: **Marilyn Doty RN, MSN, CCM, President**

Thank you for your continued support of CMSA Central Florida! We look forward to another month of exciting opportunities for Case Management professionals.

The **CMSA 17th Annual Conference and Expo** is scheduled for **June 19-23, 2007 in Denver Colorado**. We will be having a member drawing at our monthly chapter meeting on March 22, 2007 for a complimentary certificate, which includes airfare, and lodging accommodations. Good luck CMSA Central Florida members!

It's a great time to be in the Case Management profession. With so much impacting our healthcare system today, Case Managers play such a vital role in shaping the future of the care our patients receive. As Case Managers, we help them to understand how to access appropriate care in the right setting, according to their situation. We assist them in the navigation of complicated systems, services, technology, and options specific to their individual needs. We help them understand their conditions and how they can influence their health and outcomes. We teach them skills that they can take with them the rest of their lives. There is so much that we do each day for our patients but the most important thing we do for them is to "care" for them. I see this happening with sincerity everyday during patient interactions with "Care Management" professionals (aka Case Managers). It's an honor to our profession and it does "make a difference" in their lives. We are truly in an organization of "caring" and it's a great place to be!

Sincerely,

Marilyn Doty

Words to Live by...

We spend our lives wanting things, people and events to be just as we want them to be—and when they're not, we fight and suffer. Lighten up!

“Our limited perspective, our hopes and fears become our measure of life, and when circumstances don't fit our ideas, they become our difficulties.”
Benjamin Franklin

Case Management Week:

October 7-13, 2007

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4th Thursday of every month.
Educational offering with CEU & CCM
Location: Bahia Shrine Auditorium.
2300 Pembroke Dr. Maitland.32701

RSVP-member-free **Non-RSVP**- member-\$5
Non-member-\$10 Non-member-\$15

First time guest--FREE

RSVP to: -Lisa Bloder-407-466-7326 or

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KEEP THE DATES-2007

Mar 22nd

Topic: Advances in Treatment of Chronic Neuropathic Pain

Speaker: TBD

Lunch Sponsor: Advanced Bionics

Contact: Samantha Boomer- 407-324-6066

Apr 26th

Topic: ABI or SCI

Speaker: TBD

Lunch Sponsor: Shepherd Center

Contact: Colleen C. McCrory- 404-423-7142

May 24th

Topic: Walk Aide

Speaker: TBD

Lunch Sponsor: Jennifer Finky

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Chapter Notes

Dollars & Cents



Brenda Randall RN, Treasurer.

Treasurer Report for the Month of Mar 2007

Income **\$ 293.00**

Expenses **\$ 956.58**



Chapter Meeting Highlights...

**Darlene Armstrong, RN, BSN,
Secretary**



If you did not attend the February meeting, here's what you missed:

February 22, 2007

Central Florida-Orlando area

- ❖ Call to order, President Marilyn Doty called the meeting to order at 11:50 am.
- ❖ The February meeting for the Central Florida CMSA chapter started with a luncheon sponsored by Centocor. The board members were introduced and updates given by the membership chair and program chair. We then listened to a very interesting and informative CEU presentation by Megan Jones, PharmD on Remicade.
- ❖ Be sure to check our website@ www.centralfloridacmsa.org. We continue to update information.
- ❖ There were 74 members and guests present.
- ❖ The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.
- ❖ If you are in the Central Florida area, be sure to look us up on March 22nd for our next CEU presentation on **Advances in the Treatment of Chronic Neuropathic Pain.**
- ❖ Welcome to all our **new members!** ...Come next month and bring a new member!!

Spring is in the air!

BULLETIN BOARD

ANCC Changes Contact Hour Criteria

Beginning January 1, 2007, the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) has made a change in their criteria with regards to contact hour calculation. **In 2007, the providers of ANCC approved activities must adjust the number of contact hours to reflect one (1.0) contact hour = 60 minutes of learning time rather than the previous criteria of one (1.0) contact hour = 50 minutes of learning time.**

According to ANCC, "This change brings greater consistency with the accreditation processes of other disciplines and increases the understanding and intuitiveness of the awarding of contact hours."

All CMSA marketing materials distributed advertising the ANCC approved educational activity to be offered in 2007 will reflect contact hours calculated using one (1.0) contact hour = 60 minutes of learning time.

For more information, please contact the ANCC via their website, <http://www.nursecredentialing.org/>

Click below to read more about: [Colorectal Cancer](#)

[The Adjuvant Treatment of Colorectal Cancer](#)

March is Colorectal Cancer Month!



[FDA Approves New Treatment For Crohn's Disease](#)

From PharmaLive News Archive - Feb 26, 2007

ROCKVILLE, Md., Feb. 27, 2007-The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) today approved Humira (adalimumab) to treat adult patients with moderately to severely active Crohn's disease, a chronic inflammatory disease of the intestines, which affects an estimated one million Americans. Humira is a human-derived, genetically-engineered monoclonal antibody (a protein that can be produced in large quantities in a manufacturing plant).

[[Summary](#)]

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR A FLU PANDEMIC?

[Learn more about pandemic influenza](#)

2007 Conference & EXPO DENVER, CO June 19-23, 2007

If it's your job to assess, plan, facilitate or advocate for options and services to meet an individual's health needs through communication and available resources to promote quality cost-effective outcomes, then CMSA's Annual Conference & Expo is designed expressly for you.

CMSA's Annual Conference & Expo brings you the very best speakers, the most relevant educational sessions, the hottest new products and the most productive networking functions all in one easy-to-navigate and surprisingly affordable event.

