



4thThursday eNews

November 2011
Volume 5 Issue 8

Orlando, Florida.
www.centralfloridacmsa.org

Message from the Board

By Darlene Armstrong, RN, BA, CCM, President



It is so hard to believe how fast this year has gone. We are less than 60 days from 2012. We wanted to get this letter out early in order to remind everyone about the Vendor Show on November 10, 2011 at the Shrine. I would encourage each of you to attend. This is such an important event to the chapter and our main source of revenue. This revenue helps us pay our yearly expenses including facility rent, Christmas/holiday gifts, and our charitable contributions. This show is only as good as the people who participate. Our vendors count on us to have active participation. So please plan to attend next week and do not forget to RSVP.

- 1 President's Message
- 2 Chapter Notes
- 3 Government News
- 3 National CMSA News
- 4 Bulletin Board
- 5 Contact information
- 6 CMSA 18th Annual Vendor Show

December 8th is our annual Christmas luncheon. This is a good time to network with each other and participate in our gift exchange. Please be sure to RSVP for this luncheon. I know what you are thinking, I sound like an advertisement this month.

November is a special time for most of us with the Thanksgiving holidays just around the corner. Know I am thankful this year for each of our members and participates including our active and dynamic board. If you have suggestions for us, please do not be afraid to let us know.

Happy Holidays. See you next Thursday.

Darlene Armstrong, RN, BA, CCM
Central Florida Chapter President

P.S. We are exploring the option to obtain as a group the CM Body of Knowledge. If you are interested, please send me an email or let me know at the Vendor Show. We will have more information there. Check out <http://www.ccmcertification.org/>. I am always on the lookout for resources related to case management.



"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

~John Fitzgerald Kennedy

BECOME A MEMBER

National Office
CMSA

8201 Cantrell Rd. Suite 230.
Little Rock, AR. 72227.

501-225-2229

Fax 501-221-9068

Website: www.cmsa.org

Chapter Notes



CMSA Monthly Member Meeting
October 27, 2011

Meeting Called to order by: Darlene Armstrong at 11:45 am

Topics/Breaking news:

New members and 1st time visitors announced themselves. Job Opportunities announced. Birthdays announced for the month of October.

Darlene reminded everyone about positions on the board of Directors for next year. We have elected positions, appointed positions and committee membership available. We always welcome new members on our board.

Darlene reminded everyone of the vendor show coming up next month. Fliers given out to all attendees. Vendors encouraged to participate. The vendor show will be November 10th, from 10:30 to 2.

Monthly meeting speaker and topic:

Speaker ...Kindred Hospitals of Florida
Vickie Anderson RN
Director of Managed Care Central Florida

Topic... LTAC's – Introduction to Long Term Acute Care Hospital

Lunch sponsor: Kindred Hospitals of Florida

Lunch count attendees:

Number ...50

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Stein, Secretary

MEETINGS

**4TH 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-\$5
Non-member-\$20

First time guest—FREE

RSVP to: -Candace Nagata @
407-691-5429 or

Via website @
www.centralfloridacmsa.org



Government News

Screening still the “best buy” for tackling cervical cancer

In spite of a vaccine that holds some promise for cervical cancer prevention, screening is still essential. Débora Miranda reports on the options for developing countries.

When teenager Aisha received a vaccination against the human papillomavirus (HPV) at her school in Uganda, she knew more about cervical cancer than her classmates. Her mother had died of the disease, the second most common cancer in women in developing countries. Aisha's mother was one of half a million women worldwide who are estimated to develop cervical cancer each year, more than half of them die as a result.

Virtually all (99%) cervical cancer cases are linked to infection with HPV. The majority of sexually active people will acquire HPV infection at some time in their life. Infection usually clears without treatment within a few months and does not cause any lasting problems. However, persistent infection of high-risk HPV types beyond 12 months is linked to an increased risk of cancer.

In 2006, the first vaccine to prevent the most common cancer-causing HPV infections became available. Since then, more than 120 countries have licensed the jab and 33 of them have introduced national vaccination programmes primarily targeted at adolescent girls like Aisha. However, even in these mainly high-income countries, a vaccination programme will not eliminate the need for screening because the current vaccines only protect against HPV types that are responsible for about 70% of cervical cancer cases. Because most people are infected with HPV early in their sexual lives, to achieve greatest impact young people need to be vaccinated before they are sexually active.

So this poses the question: should governments invest more in vaccination or screening?

Claudio Politi, health economist at WHO, says: “The difficult choice in a context of scarce resources is to identify the right balance. Investment strategies depend on the price of the vaccine, duration of vaccine protection, efficacy, the cost of screening and country resources such as trained professionals and treatment options.”

Pap smears have been the standard screening procedure in the developed world for almost 50 years but they require quality laboratory services and an efficient infrastructure that allows rapid transport of smears. “There are not enough cytologists in developing countries,” says Nathalie Broutet, medical officer at WHO.

Many African countries have opted for visual inspection with acetic acid (VIA), an inexpensive, low-tech test in which a health-care worker applies dilute acetic acid (vinegar) to the cervix and looks for abnormal tissue that temporarily turns white in contact with the vinegar.

Between 2005 and 2009, WHO and the International Agency for Research on Cancer were involved in implementing cervical cancer prevention and control programmes based on VIA followed by the use of cryotherapy for treatment where available, in six African countries: Malawi, Madagascar, Nigeria, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania and Zambia. More than 20,000 women have been screened so far and VIA is now included as part of cervical cancer screening in 17 national or regional programmes.

Nathalie Broutet, who coordinated the project, explains: “We should start to implement cervical cancer prevention and control programme with what is available, is not expensive and saves lives, such as VIA. Once you have the structure of a programme with all components in place, you can then improve the programme and consider changing the screening method with new ones that perform better and that will be, hopefully, soon on the market.”

The advantage of VIA is that women can be screened and treated at the same time. If abnormalities (precancerous lesions) are found on a woman's cervix, they can be treated on the same day by freezing and destroying them with cryotherapy. Broutet says: “It's very important to follow up with women who are screened positive. The single-visit approach decreases the risk of women forgetting or not being able to come back, as many live far away from health facilities. However, not all health facilities have cryotherapy equipment. In that case, active follow-up of these women will have to be done to ensure that they benefit from treatment.”

Cervical cancer is one of the topics on the agenda for this month's United Nations high-level meeting on noncommunicable diseases in New York. A discussion paper for policy-makers attending the meeting recommends cervical cancer screening using VIA and treatment of precancerous lesions as a “best buy”, because it is considered to be a highly cost-effective use of health dollars, costing less than US\$ 0.50 per capita to implement in primary-care settings in low- and middle-income countries. Interventions are considered “highly cost-effective” if they generate an extra year of healthy life for a cost less than the average annual income per person.

The approach to cervical cancer screening, however, may be set to change with the development of a more accurate screening method that uses a laboratory test to find HPV DNA in cervical cells, which could be used in addition to looking for abnormal lesions. As of 2006, WHO recommended the use of HPV DNA tests only in pilot projects. In light of new data supporting HPV testing, these recommendations are currently being updated. Broutet's team is studying the implementation of HPV testing in Africa, using a test designed specifically for lower-income countries.

This article can be continued at: <http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/89/9/11-030911/en/index.html>

BULLETIN BOARD



Treasurer's Report

Income: \$3,455.00
Expenses: \$1,328.80



KEEP THE DATES 2011

Jan 27, 2011

Feb 24, 2011

Mar 24, 2011

April 28, 2011

May 26, 2011

June 23, 2011

July 28, 2011

Aug 25, 2011

Sept 22, 2011

Oct 27, 2011

Nov 10, 2011 Annual Vendor Show

Dec 8, 2011 Annual Christmas Luncheon

CF-CMSA BOARD



Committee	Office/Chair	Contact
President	Darlene Armstrong	darlene.armstrong@umr.com 866-838-1580
Vice President	Patti Dorrell	patriciadorrell@yahoo.com 321-354-0023
Past President	Marty Bassett	mbassett@cfl.rr.com 407-575-9023
Treasurer	Lynne Bergey	lynne.bergey@flhosp.org 407-691-8297
Secretary	Marsha Stein	marsha.stein@flhosp.org 407-303-8095
Membership	Candace Nagata	Candace.nagata@flhosp.org 407-691-5429
Programs Chair	Joanne Davenport	orlandofrogs@aol.com 407-520-7925
CEU/CCM's	Ruth West	goofiewest@yahoo.com 407-232-1507
Legislative	Cheryl Gulasa	cheryl.gulasa@amerisys-info.com 407-949-3100
Member at Large	Terri Grein	Terri.grein@hartfordlife.com
Email	Sally Ayala	aya1518@cfl.rr.com 407-770-8072
Website	Lisa Bloder	lbloder@wservices.org
Newsletter	Cheryl Gulasa	cheryl.gulasa@amerisys-info.com 407-949-3100
Historian	Kelly Hall	Kelly.Hall@Brooksrehab.org
Vendor Show	Victor Sargent	vsargent@cfl.rr.com 407-629-1141
Nominations	Angella Clemons	Aclemons27@aol.com 407-284-7475
Special Project/CMOY	Laurie Davis	okvalleyfl@cfl.rr.com 407-679-1177
Treasurer in Training	Ruth West	goofiewest@yahoo.com 407-232-1507



CF CMSA

2300 Pembroke Dr

Maitland, FL. 32701

Phone: 407-691- 5440

E-mail: info@centralfloridacmsa.org



CASE MANAGEMENT SOCIETY OF AMERICA
CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER

Presents . . .

The Eighteenth Annual Vendor Show

“How Many Hats Do You Wear?”



Thursday, November 10, 2011

Bahia Shrine Ball Room

2300 Pembroke Drive

Orlando, FL 32810

Show Hours:

10:30 am - 2:00 pm

Lunch will be served open seating anytime between 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Prizes drawn throughout the day with the Grand
prize drawn just before 2:00pm

Attendees who RSVP No Charge

Attendees who do not RSVP \$10.00

RSVP via our webpage: www.centralfloridacmsa.org
or call 407-691-5429

COME JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED DAY OF FOOD, EDUCATION AND PRIZES,
PRIZES, PRIZES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!