
MEDICAL SOCIETY COMMITTEES & REPRESENTATIVES 2023

COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COALITION (Appointed)

This committee/coalition has been meeting regularly over the past several years to bring together physicians, hospitals, mental health, law enforcement, EMS, Ambulance, etc. to discuss local issues relating to mental health access to care, interpretation of 5150s and other mental health regulations to help the different agencies understand each of their limitations and facilitate communication and work towards resolving issues to improve patient care. Regular physician participants include:

Robert Soper, M.D. (Chair)	Ruby Bayan, M.D.
Shannon Chavez, M.D.	Tuan Luu, M.D.
Glenn Siegfried, M.D.	Irving Tessler, M.D.

CONSORTIUM COMMITTEE (1-Year Term) (Appointed)

Committee shall assist and cooperate in the planning of Continuing Medical Education activities for health care providers in Humboldt and Del Norte counties. Provides AMA PRA Category 1 CME Accreditation for local CME Programs, following the must follow the guidelines of the California Medical Association - CME and ACCME.

REPRESENTING

REPRESENTATIVE(S)

Medical Society:	Marcelle Mahan, M.D. (CHAIR) Madeleine Ramos, M.D. (VICE CHAIR) Caroline Connor, M.D., MPH (SEC/TREAS)
Jerold Phelps Community Hospital	Michael Newdow, M.D. Vacancy
Mad River Comm. Hospital:	Alison Palacios, D.O. Vacancy
Redwood Memorial Hospital	Donald Baird, M.D. Ruben Brinckhaus, M.D.
St. Joseph Hospital:	Hospital CMO Join Luh, M.D.
Sutter Coast Hospital:	Vacancy Vacancy
Members-At-Large:	May Hong, M.D. (<i>FM Residency</i>) Mary Meengs, M.D. Gena Pennington, M.D. Glenn Siegfried, M.D. (<i>Humb. IPA</i>) Candy Stockton, M.D. (<i>Public Health</i>)
Osteopathic Representative:	Vacancy
Advanced Practice Clinician:	Amanda James, FNP
College of the Redwoods	Shauna Burdick
Humboldt State University	Amy Sprowles, PhD / Jianmin Zhong, PhD
Open Door Health Centers	Trisha Cooke
Family Medicine Resident Rep:	_____

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE (1-Year Term) (Appointed)

The committee will bring physicians together to closer tie the county-wide disaster plan with the medical community and further prepare for medical/health aspects of disaster. This committee Meets as needed at the direction of our Public Health Officer(s).

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PHYSICIAN MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY 2023

EDITORIAL AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE (1-Year Term) (Appointed)

This committee shall edit and publish the official publications of the Medical Society - *The North Coast Physician*, Physician Membership/ Resource Directory, Residence Directory, the Internet Web Page and other communication tools at the direction of the Executive Committee. Members are appointed by the Executive Committee.

Shenoda Abd Elmaseh, M.D. Luther Cobb, M.D.
Emily Dalton, M.D. (Chair) Stephanie Dittmer, M.D.
Stephen Kamelgarn, M.D. Vacancies
Erik Weibel, M.D. (Webmaster)

HEALTH EQUITIES COMMITTEE (Appointed)

Any member physician interested in facilitating communications and participation of California's ethnic physicians to address their unique challenges, promote diversity, inclusion and equity at all levels of medicine and advocate for culturally responsive medical care.

- Committee Shall:
- 1) communicate the perspective of our ethnic physicians.
 - 2) coordinate socials to allow a safe space for networking.
 - 3) empower our ethnic physicians as leaders in organized medicine at all levels
 - 4) help develop programs and benefits to meet the needs of our diverse populations, including, but not limited to CME Journal Club, Column for *North Coast Physician*, etc.
 - 5) Outreach to new ethnic physicians relocating to Humboldt and Del Norte counties, encouraging them to sign up for CMA EMOS Membership Section and the On-Line Discussion Forum.

Patricia Chico, M.D.
Stephanie Dittmer, M.D. -Co-Chair
Antoinette Martinez, M.D. - Co-Chair

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE (Appointed)

The historian shall compile and document all matters of record which will comprise the history of the Society and its members. Such history shall be filed in the office of the Society. The Chairperson shall be appointed by the Executive Committee.

HUMBOLDT-DEL NORTE PRE MEDICAL EDUCATION TASK FORCE - (HUM PET) Appointed)

Committee shall:

- 1) provide input on the Speaker - Shadowing Grid, helping to identify physicians who are interested in speaking, shadowing, doing mock interviews, mentoring, participating in career fairs, etc. for our local schools, college, university, visiting medical students, Residents, etc. for students interested in becoming physicians. Access to the list that will include contact information will be shared only with a few select people responsible for helping to schedule and place students.
- 2) serve as liaison with the training facility's communication outreach coordinators
- 3) help identify processes for practices/ facilities allowing shadowing opportunity and build contact lists.
- 4) stress the importance of professionalism and follow through in scheduling/ coordinating with physicians.
- 5) help develop tools to streamline making connections locally to help avoid physician burnout.
- 6) help mediate issues that may arise in the program.

Caroline Connor, M.D., MPH (Chair) Stephanie Dittmer, M.D.

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Teresa Frankovich, M.D.
Antoinette Martinez, M.D.
Glenn Siegfried, M.D.

May Hong, M.D.
Madeleine Ramos, M.D.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE (Appointed)

To monitor federal and state legislation on a continuing basis; periodically meet with local legislators for the purpose of discussing pending legislation and organized medicine's position on legislation.

Luther Cobb, M.D. ***Chairperson** Caroline Connor, M.D., MPH
Executive Board

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE (1- Year Term) (Appointed)

Responsibilities include Member Recruitment and Retention activities.

Lawrence Wieland, M.D. George Zibilich, M.D.
Executive Board

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (2023) (Elected)

Stephanie Dittmer, M.D. Join Luh, M.D.
John Mastroni, M.D. Kelvin Vu, D.O.
George Zibilich, M.D.

PHYSICIAN SUPPORT COMMITTEE (3-Year Term) (Elected)

The Physician Support Committee shall address issues relating to the health, well-being or impairment of physicians, in order to maintain and improve the quality of care and assist in the maintenance of appropriate standards of personal performance. The committee will follow the guidelines established with its policies and procedures.

**REPRESENTING:
MEDICAL SOCIETY:**

JEROLD PHELPS COMMUNITY HOSP:
MAD RIVER COMMUNITY HOSPITAL:
REDWOOD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:
ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL:
SUTTER COAST HOSPITAL:

REPRESENTATIVE:

Shannon Chavez, M.D. (21-23)
Ruby Bayan, M.D. (23-25)
Robert Soper, M.D. (**Chair**) (23-25)
Willard Hunter, M.D. (22-24)
Michael Newdow, M.D.
Corinne Frugoni, M.D. (**Vice-Chair**)
Tamara Douglass, M.D.

Jocelyn Talbot, M.D.

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Ad Hoc)

to assist in providing a forum for our Public Health Officers in dealing with local public health issues.
Humboldt County Public Health Officer
Del Norte County Public Health Officer

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

Committee shall represent the Society in all matters connecting members of the Society with the Public, Press, Radio, Television, etc. *Executive Committee can fulfill these responsibilities at their discretion.*

PUBLIC SERVICE AND MEDICAL ETHICS COMMITTEE (3-Year Term) (Elected)

Committee shall investigate and upon request, mediate matters of dispute, controversy, contention or grievance arising between members or between members and others, involving relations with the public and Principles of Medical Ethics.

Ruby Bayan, M.D. (23-25) John Mastroni, M.D. (23-25)
Melissa McKenzie, D.O. (23-25) John Van Speybroeck, M.D. (21-23)
George Zibilich, M.D. (23-25)

PHYSICIAN MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY 2023

WOMEN IN MEDICINE COMMITTEE (1-Year Term) (Appointed)

Committee shall:

- 1) communicate the perspective of our women physicians.
- 2) coordinate socials to allow a safe space for networking.
- 3) empower women physicians as leaders in organized medicine at all levels
- 4) help develop programs and benefits to meet the needs of our Women Physicians, including, but not limited to CME Journal Club, Women in Medicine Column for *North Coast Physician*, etc.
- 5) Outreach to new women physicians relocating to Humboldt and Del Norte counties.

Amy Darwin, M.D., *Co-Chair*

Stephanie Dittmer, M.D., *Co-Chair*

YOUNG PHYSICIAN COMMITTEE (1-Year Term) (Appointed)

Committee shall:

- 1) communicate the perspective of its young physician members.
- 2) help facilitate transition to clinical practice and promote the interaction between established physicians and young physicians.
- 3) empower young physicians as leaders in organized medicine at all levels
- 4) encourage the membership and participation of young physicians in Humboldt-Del Norte County Medical Society and California Medical Association.
- 5) facilitate representation in CMA's Young Physician Section.
- 6) help develop programs and benefits to meet the needs of our Young Physicians.
- 7) Outreach to new physicians relocating to Humboldt and Del Norte counties.
- 8) Assist in New Member Orientations.

Vacancies

OTHER APPOINTMENTS & LIAISONS

A.1.A.A. REP:

BLOOD BANK REPRESENTATIVES:

Luther Cobb, M.D.

Howard Fellows, M.D.

Margaret Gordon, M.D. (*MS Appointed*)

Willard Hunter, M.D.

Terry Raymer, M.D.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE:

Exec. Board appointment

COMMUNITY HEALTH ALLIANCE (CHA)

Caroline Connor, M.D., MPH

DRUG & ALCOHOL ADVISORY CMT:

Vacancy

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE CMT:

Matt Karp, M.D., *Medical Director*

HUMBOLDT IPA:

Carrie Griffin, D.O., *Priority Care Ctr. Med Dir*

Glenn Siegfried, M.D., *UM Med Director*

HOSPICE OF HUMBOLDT

John Nelson, M.D., *Medical Director*

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN COMMITTEE:

Alison Palacios, D.O.

Kelvin Vu, D.O.

P.A.C.E.

Jennifer Heidmann, M.D., *Medical Director*

PARTNERSHIP HEALTH PLAN

Teresa Frankovich, M.D., *Regional Med. Dir.*

Jeff Ribordy, M.D., *Regional Medical Director*

PRE-MED ASSOCIATION (H.S.U.)

Caroline Connor, M.D., MPH

TO REVIEW RESOLUTIONS & POST TESTIMONY:

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