



Montana Osteopathic Medical Association, Spring 2021 Newsletter

Hello again from MOMA,

I guess we can say that time does go by. For me, the last 15 months didn't seem as long as it did going through it. As we always do, I think that we learned many new things during this pandemic, including how to continue to look for new ways to provide quality CME, not just here in Montana, but nationally.

MOMA has had a virtual platform for our CME the last 3 years, and, obviously, last year was just virtual. It appeared to all of us that we needed to go in this direction, but the pandemic certainly steepened the learning curve on how to do this. So, where are we now in this process? Because of the need to find live CME venues early in the process, and the continued uncertainty about recovery, MOMA's board decided a few months ago to remain entirely virtual for 2021. MOMA's primary care roundup will be during the August 5-8th 2021 time, probably on 2 days, August 5 and 6.

Nationally, CME became enduring, meaning that attendees can participate and do the attendance either at the time it is presented online or for a period (60 days or so) after the event. This approach has been popular, we all know how hard it is to sit for 8-10 hours a day, for 2 or 3 days, even at home. So, we can spread out our attendance in a more reasonable fashion with this approach. Because of the cost of a vendor recording our speakers before the event, it is cost effective to provide concurrent events that you can chose one of two airing at the same time, and watch the 2nd one later, again, over probably 60 days. After this year, we will go back to a live event for all the positives it provides, but I think in the future we will always provide a virtual, recorded platform for those of you who cannot attend the live event. I hope to see you (or more accurately, you see us) in August. You can go to our website: montanaosteopaths.org for details on the event.

Billings Clinic's CME department continues to co-sponsor our event, and both parties continue to be energetic about doing this. I don't think anyone argues with the fact that we have had a quality CME event for many years and strive to incorporate Osteopathic principles into our CME with all our topics. Any questions about what this means can be answered by looking at previous newsletters from MOMA on our website.

The MD profession has provided such a big portion of DO graduate medical education (GME) that Osteopathic principles is a chance for our profession to give something back to the practice of medicine.

For those of you getting this newsletter both by email and snail mail, the snail mail one will have a form and return envelope for MOMA's annual dues. Our dues year remains July 1 - June 30 of each year, still \$200. Current MOMA members receive a discount on our CME fee, (our fee remains competitive with most all CME events). If you get this newsletter by email only, you can visit our website and download the dues form to send back to us. MOMA remains committed to providing a platform for promoting the distinctiveness of the Osteopathic approach, with our CME and in other ways. We hope you can help support this with being a dues paying member of MOMA.

Thank you for all you do, please contact MOMA at montanaosteopathic@gmail.com for any questions or comments.

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Hope to see you August 5 - 6, 2021 for our Virtual CME Conference.
For registration information visit www.billingsclinic.com/cme