

California Association Medical Staff Services
Annual Education Forum – Westin South Coast Plaza
Costa Mesa, California ~ May 17 – 21, 2010

Please join us in May of 2010 as we celebrate our 39th annual Education Forum. The forum will be held at the beautiful Westin South Coast Plaza in Costa Mesa which is located in Orange County. The hotel is located next to great shopping and Disneyland. For more information about the amenities of the hotel, please visit their website at <http://www.starwoodhotels.com/westin/property/overview>

The CAMSS Board is happy to report that with the down economy, our CAMSS President, Maggie Palmer, renegotiated the contract with the Westin and was able to get the cost of the rooms down to \$189.00 plus guests will receive a \$10.00 meal voucher that can be used at the hotel's Grab and Go which is their Starbucks Coffee Shop. Additionally, guests of the hotel will receive a shopper's discount passport to be used at the South Cost Plaza. For more information on the local area, visit the hotel's website at <http://www.starwoodhotels.com/westin/property/area/index.html?propertyID=1002>

Registration fees will remain the same as they have for the past five years. Member early bird registration will be \$500.00 and non-members will be \$550.00. Additional registration fee information will be provided in the brochure which is scheduled to be mailed in February 2010.

Although the outline for the forum is not solidified, here is an overview of the educational topics we are planning:

- Will be offering certification preparation courses for both CPMSM and CPCS.
- Opening session will focus on the role of the Medical Staff Professional; in this current economic and employment world, and its uncertainty, it is important to understand the current MSP role and how that experience can lead to opportunities in other areas of healthcare.
- Repeat breakout session that addresses all the state compliance survey expectations such as Title 22, CDPH, IMQ and NCQA.
- It wouldn't be a CAMSS Forum without a Joint Commission Update session.
- Having problems with meeting the new Continuing Medical Education standards; we will have a speaker from IMQ to answer your questions.
- The Legal Update session will include an update on the three peer review related senate and assembly bills that are pending based on the results of the Lumetra Study and there have been some landmark cases over the past year in California as well as across the country. This session will also include how your Bylaws can affect legal proceedings.
- One entire day will be devoted to just credentialing and privileging. Some of the sessions will be geared toward our new professionals while others will be geared toward our experienced colleagues. The topics include the challenges of AHP Credentialing as well as tracking expiring documents and understanding the significance of the information provided. We will also explore the benefits of competency core privilege list versus the laundry list and include a session on proctoring and share some best practices.
- We have included a Quality session that will discuss the benefits of medical staff/quality collaboration in using quality data for OPPE and FPPE.
- Education focused on the non-acute side of healthcare was so successful this past forum we are going to continue to offer a variety of sessions that will include HEDIS performance measurement and NCQA Update. Several of the credentialing sessions mentioned above will pertain to the non-hospital MSP.

For more information about the 2010 Education Forum, please contact the Forum Chair, Lynn Lopes, CPMSM, CPCS at lopesl@sutterhealth.org.