



The Maryland State Medical Society

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**THE ALLIANCE TO MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY,
ELECTS NEW OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEETING**

BALTIMORE, July 2, 2012 – The Alliance to MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, held their annual House of Delegates meeting in May and elected several new members to their board. Gail M. Johnson, MPT, from Frederick County, was elected as President; Michele Gillespie, from Worcester County, was elected as President-Elect; Claire Jensen, of Baltimore City, was elected as 1st Vice President; and Lorraine Ashker, from Alleghany County, was elected as 2nd Vice President.

Gail Johnson is currently Membership Chair of Frederick County Alliance, as well as Frederick County's Alliance President from 2009 to 2011. Gail has been active with the Alliance at the county level since 2003 and State level since 2005. Her state level positions include Recording Secretary, 2008 to 2010 and Vice President 2010 to 2011.

Gail has traveled the world as a military dependent before settling down in Frederick County in 2001. She is married to David Johnson, MD, an Anesthesiologist. They have two daughters, Aveyrey, 8 years old and Taylor, 5 years old. She is the product of a military family and enjoys new people and experiencing various cultures. She strives to carry this enthusiasm over in her "other volunteer" positions in Junior Girl Scout and PTA leadership roles, Sunday school teacher and as her Neighborhood Watch Coordinator.

Gail completed her master's degree in Physical Therapy from Shenandoah University, Winchester VA, BS in Biology, Magna Cum Laude and a BS in the Health Sciences, Magna Cum Laude.

Gene M. Ransom, MedChi CEO, state "This leadership team is impressive; I look forward to working with them on our advocacy and public health agenda." MedChi would like to congratulate all of the new Alliance officers and we look forward to working with each of them throughout the year.

For more information on the Alliance to MedChi, please visit www.medchi.org/alliance.

About the Alliance to MedChi

The mission of the Alliance is to partner with physicians to build healthy communities and support the family of medicine. If you are the spouse of a physician, resident physician, or medical student, you are invited to join the Alliance.

About MedChi

MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, is a non-profit membership association of Maryland physicians. It is the largest physician organization in Maryland. The mission of MedChi is to serve as Maryland's foremost advocate and resource for physicians, their patients and the public health of Maryland. For more information, please visit www.medchi.org.