



The Maryland State Medical Society

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MEDCHI MEETING TO FOCUS ON GENDER WAGE GAP, OPIOID EPIDEMIC, AND OTHER HEALTHCARE TOPICS

BALTIMORE, September 12, 2018 – The Maryland State Medical Society’s 2018 Annual Meeting and Fall House of Delegates meeting will be held on Saturday, September 22 in Hanover, Maryland. Keynote speakers will address pressing issues relating to the gender wage gap and the ongoing opioid epidemic.

The focus of the morning program will be on MedChi’s physician salary survey, with a particular emphasis on how physicians can use the data as a tool in their profession. Jeremy Robinson of Merritt Hawkins will present the firm’s findings and provide an analysis to MedChi members. “MedChi’s House of Delegates recently reaffirmed its long-standing policy against gender-based income discrimination,” notes Loralie Ma, M.D., Speaker of the House. “We now have the data and tools to address this inequality head-on.”

Clay Stamp, Executive Director of Maryland’s Opioid Operational Command Center, will provide an update on the Hogan Administration’s efforts to address the opioid crisis. MedChi delegates will discuss and consider many reports and resolutions on various topics and policies, several of which will focus on the ongoing opioid epidemic, including:

- Expanding Opioid Use Disorder Treatments;
- Ongoing Medical Support for Mothers and Babies Impacted by Opioid Exposure;
- Coverage of Non-Opioid Therapies on Health Insurance Formularies.

Dr. Benjamin Stallings, M.D., will be installed as the 171st President of the MedChi for the 2018 - 2019 year. A special award presentation will be held featuring Delegate Chris West of the Maryland General Assembly.

The meeting is free for members and includes a variety of exciting policy and educational opportunities.

Full details on MedChi’s House of Delegates meeting can be found on our website at www.medchi.org/HOD.

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.