MEDCHI TO HOLD ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

BALTIMORE, December 3, 2012— On Saturday, December 8, MedChi will be hosting their Annual Scientific Meeting in Osler Hall at their Baltimore location. The focus of this year’s meeting is "Pain Management: A Practitioners' Guide."

The issue of managing pain in patients is a current and controversial issue in health care. The FDA has issued its Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS) requirements regarding the use of Extended-Release and Long-Acting Opioid Analgesics. Data indicates that there are serious public health and patient safety issues associated with the use and abuse of prescription pain medications. Practitioners need to be aware of these issues and have strategies they can apply in practice to ensure the health and safety of their patients.

This CME program will address the Evaluation and Treatment of Chronic Pain, Common Pain Syndromes, Medical and Legal Considerations involved in Treatment and will provide an Opioid Toolkit to help physicians in prescribing OPRs. Gene Ransom, MedChi CEO, states “it is MedChi’s hope that this will be a step in addressing these issues through education, collaboration and communication.”

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.