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Volunteers Needed for Annual Docs On Call Program --On Sept. 29, KYW-TV CBS3 will broadcast the annual *Doctors on Call* live TV program. To make this program a success, your participation is needed. Viewers can call a toll-free number and ask questions of member physicians on any medical topic. Physician volunteers discuss with patients their concerns and answer questions in general terms and do not offer diagnoses or specific medical advice. The program provides a valuable community health service and fosters a positive public image of the medical society and member physicians. KYW-TV (CBS 3) studio is located at 1555 Hamilton Street, Philadelphia. Physicians are asked to volunteer from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. To volunteer, send your name, address, telephone number and e-mail to montmedsoc@verizon.net.

Dissect a Lawsuit and Earn Free CME – Earn a maximum of 2 credit hours in Category 1 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ if you attend *Anatomy of a Lawsuit*, on Oct. 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Abington Memorial Hospital.

Who: Jointly Sponsored by the Montgomery County Medical Society, Montgomery Bar Association Abington Memorial Hospital

What: Anatomy of a Lawsuit (free CME)

When: Tuesday, October 12, 2010; 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Where: Abington Memorial Hospital
Lenfest Pavilion, Frobese Auditorium
1200 Old York Road, Abington, PA

Why: One of the frightening things in medicine is being named in a lawsuit. It will happen to at least 70% of doctors at some time in their career. There are things you can do to reduce the risk of being sued and things you should do once named in a lawsuit. This seminar will discuss the dos and don'ts with regard to record keeping, discussion with your attorney and how to handle deposition and trial testimony. Upon completion of this presentation, the participant should be able to discuss how a lawyer approaches a potential lawsuit, avoid critical medical record keeping errors and avoid potential pitfalls in cross examination.

Program Agenda
Legal Evaluation of a Case

Medical Records in Litigation

When You Get Sued

Mock Cross Examination

Panelists include Stan Askin, MD, JD, Richard Haaz, JD, Walter Hofman, MD, Mark Lopatin, MD, Frank Murphy, JD, Jackie Reynolds, JD, The Hon. Maurino Rossinese Eric Shore, DO, JD and Robert Szostak, JD

How: RSVP to Montgomery Medical Society at 610-878-9530 or e-mail montmedsoc@verizon.net

Disclosure Policy -- Faculty and all others who have the ability to control the content of the continuing medical education programs sponsored by Abington Memorial Hospital are expected to disclose to the program audience whether they do or do not have any real or apparent conflict(s) of interest or other relationships related to the content of their presentation(s).

Accreditation Statement -- Abington Memorial Hospital is accredited by the by the Pennsylvania Medical Society to sponsor Continuing Medical Education for physicians.

Certification Statement -- Abington Memorial Hospital designates this CME activity for a maximum of 2 credit hours in Category 1 of the Physician's Recognition Award (AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™) of the American Medical Association and the Pennsylvania Medical Society membership requirement. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

Patient Safety Certification Statement -- This activity complies with the definition of patient safety/risk management continuing medical education required by the Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine for license renewal.

Still Fuzzy on Meaningful Use of EHR -- A *free* webinar featuring Donald Wilson MD, medical director for PA Reach, Pennsylvania's health information technology regional extension center, will be held Sept. 23, Noon 1 p.m. The webinar will answer questions regarding eligibility, explain what a certified EHR system is and define the final meaningful use measures and how to achieve them. Physicians who achieve the meaningful use requirements using their EHR may be eligible for financial incentives through Medicare or Medicaid. Physicians who fail to achieve the meaningful use standards by 2015 may see penalties on their Medicare reimbursement. Register today or contact PAMED's Cheryl Fultz for more details, cfultz@pamedsoc.org.

Your MCMS Board Works for You -- The MCMS Board of Directors will hold its next meeting, Tuesday, Sept. 7, 6 p.m. All members are encouraged to become involved by working on one of three task forces – membership, political or public relations. Get to know the physicians who represent you. If you plan to attend the meeting, e-mail your contact information to the MCMS executive director, montmedsoc@verizon.net.

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