

# New York State Academy of Family Physicians

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EDUCATION Meeting – Summer Commission Meeting  
Saturday, August 7, 2010 at 10 a.m., Syracuse

Present: Monty Douglas, Henry Francis, Tochi Iroku-Malize, Wei Juan, Barbara Keber, Clem Landanno, Kelly Madden, Jason Matuszak, Glen Mass, Liz Terragnoli

1. Conferences Update

Current planned conferences are RFMC (October 9, Albany), Winter Weekend (January 20 – 23, Lake Placid), and ALSO Instructor Course (October 28, Hershey, PA). The schedules will be posted on the NYSAFP website; online registration is currently available for ALSO and RFMC. A Regional Family Medicine Conference Downstate is tentatively scheduled for April 9, 2011. Kelly will contact Beth Israel and The Inn at Union Square for rates and availability. A conference call will be scheduled to confirm the date and place. Once finalized, downstate chapters and programs will be contacted to help promote and contribute to the conference.

2. Concussion Management Legislation Bill

Dr. Matuszak reviewed current legislation in which guidelines are mandated for the treatment and management of concussion patients. The guidelines were created from mostly non-physicians. NYSAFP opposes the legislation and would like to suggest mandates for educational guidelines for mid-level providers.

3. RESOLUTION '10 – 5 was approved as part of the consent calendar; NYSAFP recommends amending the resolution to promote greater education of the PA's and mid-level providers, in addition to public education and patient awareness.

4. Update on the Diabetes project

The Diabetes project is in its second year of a five year grant. There annual kick-off meeting was held June 9<sup>th</sup>, there has also been several conference calls to strategize on Year 2. Currently the work group is creating Webinars on caring for Diabetic patients. The 4 planned webinars are intended for physicians around NYS who will receive CME credit for participation. Physicians that obtain NCQA recognition will be awarded up to \$2,500 for participation and 25 points towards becoming a patient-centered medical home. Additional Diabetes educational outreach includes activities with the YMCA's, Community Health Workers and church congregations.

5. Education Commission Strategic Vision

Education: Promote high-quality, innovative education for physicians, residents and medical students that encompass the art, science, evidence and socioeconomics of Family Medicine. The Commission will continue to offer informative lectures and

conferences focusing on practice improvement activities and information technology. Bob Morrow will present a track at Winter Weekend dedicated to “integration quality health technology”. The RFMC downstate conference will have a track dedicated to information technology.

6. A proposal was discussed for Town Hall Meeting at COD 2011 as requested by Jim Greenwald. The possibility for a debate style discussion will examine the positive and negative aspects to commercial support, in particular pharmaceutical funding of educational programs. Possible guests could include: corporate compliance officer, pharmaceutical representative, clinical physician, academic physician, and / or an administrative person. Committee members are encouraged to submit any contact information and commercial support position of possible speakers to Kelly. Clem will draft a resolution to present at the COD in 2011 to include explanation of different viewpoints, how to support CME activities with less commercial funding, and best-practices of educating students and residents to ascertain disparities among commercial support.
7. Institute of Medicine Report (IOM report “Redesigning Continuing Education in the Health Professions”) Kelly will distribute the report; committee members should review before next commission meeting and be prepared to develop a response by COD 2011. The response should address how this should affect our CME to have greater small group, online, inter-specialty learning and learning in practice teams.
8. NYSAFP continues to promote and recruit to its constituencies, specifically students and residents. In addition to the President scheduling site-visits to programs throughout NYS, a PowerPoint will be created to help reach and educate this population. Kelly will create a PowerPoint and send to the committee before the next commission meeting. Participation in the Academy will be promoted as part of health care systems (formerly referred to as practice management). Kelly distributed the list of resident program directors to the commission. Please review and see what outreach can be done to encourage directors to send one and two year residents to the BOD meeting, in addition to soliciting a student and resident for each commission.
9. SIAMEC - Simulated Interactive Advanced Medical Education Center - simulation training for family medicine. A possibility in the future to encourage interactive learning, NYSAFP would have to have a sponsor to help fund such an initiative.

**Next commission meeting - October 5 - 8:00 pm via conference call**