Renal Physicians Association
2019 Annual Meeting Agenda

**Thursday, March 28**

6:00pm – 8:00pm  Registration Opens
6:00pm – 7:00pm  Welcome Reception

**Friday, March 29**

6:30am to 8:00am  Breakfast Satellite Symposium
6:45am to 7:45am  Government Affairs Open Committee Meeting
                  Quality, Safety and Accountability Open Committee Meeting
7:00am to 8:00am  Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
8:00am to 10:00am General Session I
8:00am to 8:05am  Welcome
8:05am to 8:25am  RPA Year in Review
8:25am to 8:55am  RPA Advocacy Agenda
8:55am to 9:00am  Q&A
9:00am - 9:45am  **Redefining Nephrology’s Scope of Practice**
                  *Healthcare is actively changing at a remarkable pace including health system consolidation, wearable technology, personal data gathering and major disruptive approaches to healthcare delivery. Nephrology practitioners will inevitably be swept up in many of these forces by their role in chronic kidney disease management. Find out how to position your practice to adapt to the changing tide.*
                  Keith Bellovich, DO

9:45am - 9:50am  Q & A
9:50am to 10:00am Presentation of Awards - Distinguished Nephrologist and Distinguished Practice Manager
10:00am to 10:30am Visit Exhibits
10:30am to 12:30pm General Session II
10:30am to 10:35 am Opening Remarks
10:35am to 11:05am **Utilizing Data to Improve Practice Performance**
                  *The results of the RPA Benchmarking Survey will be explained and learn how they can be used in a physician practice.*
                  Jennifer Huneycutt, CMPE

11:05am to 11:10am Q & A
Friday, March 29 Continued

11:10am to 11:40am  The Value of a Qualified Clinical Data Registry
Learn how to use the registry beyond reporting.
Adam Weinstein, MD

11:40am to 11:50am  Q & A

11:50am to 12:20pm  Using Data to Achieve Successful Contract Negotiations
Find out what payors/health plans want from the data collected in the QCDR.
Rajesh Davda, MD

12:20pm to 12:30pm  Q & A

12:30pm - 2:30pm  Lunch Break - Exhibit Hall Open

12:30pm - 2:30pm  Satellite Symposium hosted by Industry

12:30pm – 2:30pm  Practice Administrator Lunch

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Understanding the Finances of Dialysis Facilities
No money, no mission. The dialysis bundle payment structure leaves little room for waste. Understand all the fixed costs and how to control variable expenses for a cost-effective dialysis facility.
Julie Williams

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Business Primer for Nephrologists
In an era of volatile payment plans, nephrologists must have a powerful grasp of methods to maximize practice sustainability and use staff in creative ways to maintain income

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Branding and Marketing Your Practice
Travis Heimbuch, MBA

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Women in Leadership Master Class
Moderator: Rebecca Schmidt, DO
Panelists: Jennifer Joe, MD, Katherine Kwon, MD, Lisa Simonton, Kareen Simpson, MD

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Business Management Track
Utilization of Advanced Practitioners
Leah Smith, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC, CNN-NP, FNKF

3:30pm to 4:00pm  Visit Exhibits
Friday, March 29 Continued

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

4:00pm to 5:00pm  Workshop Repeated
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4:00pm to 5:00pm  Business Management Track
                  Utilization of Advanced Practitioners (repeated)
4:00pm to 5:00pm  Concurrent Business Management Track
                  Advanced Nephrology Coding
                  Sandy Dixon, CPC
5:00pm            Meeting Adjourns

Saturday, March 30

6:30am to 8:00am  Breakfast Satellite Symposium
6:45am to 7:45am  Health Care Payment Open Committee Meeting
                  Clinical Practice Committee Open Committee Meeting
8:00am to 10:00am General Session III
8:00am to 8:05am  Opening Remarks
8:05am to 8:10am  Presentation of Awards: Exemplary Practice and Special Recognition
8:10am to 8:40am  Avoiding Physician Burnout
                  Understand the drivers of physician burnout and how to increase career satisfaction.
                  Robert Seligson, MBA, MA
8:40am to 8:50am  Q & A
8:50am to 9:15am  Ensuring Your Practice’s Future
                  Hear from early career physicians on what they look for in a nephrology practice.
                  Moderator: David Arietta, MBA
                  Panelists: Hunter Huston, MD, Samaya Qureshi, M.D.
9:15am to 9:20am  Q & A
Saturday, March 30 continued

9:20am to 9:50am **Diversity in Practice Composition**

*Diversity is more than just a buzz word and beyond race and gender. It includes skill set, abilities and culture. Understand the relevance of diversity in physician practices, how to achieve it and why it’s important.*

9:50am to 10:00am Q & A

10:00am to 10:30am Visit Exhibits

10:30am to 12:30pm General Session IV

10:30am to 10:35am Presentation of Award: Patient Safety

10:35am to 11:05am **Louis Diamond Lecture: Future of Medicine**

*Dr. Madara will share AMA’s long term strategic plan consisting of three strategic arcs, each critical to the future of health care: i) education and lifelong learning for the physicians of the 21st century, ii) dealing more effectively with the disease burden of chronic disease, and iii) diminishing the dysfunction in our current health care “system.”*

James Madara, MD

11:05am to 11:15am Q & A

11:15am to 11:50am **The Patient Experience of Care**

*Understand the patient perspective on their medical care and how nephrology practitioners can make their treatment more patient focused.*

**Moderator: Michael Germain, MD**

**Panelists:** Vanessa Grubb, MD, Mary Ennis (patient)

11:50am to 11:55am Q & A

11:55am to 12:25pm **Social Determinants of Healthcare Outcomes**

Deidra Crews, MD, ScM

12:25pm to 12:30pm Q & A

12:30pm to 2:30pm Lunch Break (Exhibit Hall Open)

12:30pm - 2:30pm Satellite Symposium hosted by Industry

12:30pm – 2:30pm SIP Appreciation Lunch
Saturday, March 30 continued

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Easing Delivery of the “Bad News” of Imminent Dialysis
                  Dori Schatell, MS

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Managing a Crisis
                  *Develop a strategy to manage a crisis from natural and man-made disasters.*
                  Chris Brown, Robert Kenney, MD and Donald Molony, MD

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Pain Management
                  *In the era of the opioid crisis how are physicians changing how they address pain management including patients on dialysis.*
                  Holly Koncicki, MD

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Business Management Track
                  How to Develop Your Practice Succession Plan
                  Jason Greis and Ronald Bloom, MD

2:30pm to 3:30pm  Concurrent Business Management Track
                  Immigration Matters and Contracting
                  Lindsay Ramsey

3:30pm to 4:00pm  Visit Exhibits

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4:00pm to 5:00pm  Concurrent Business Management Track
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5:00pm            Meeting Adjourns
## General Session VI (MOC Credit available for Sunday sessions)

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<td><em>Get a &quot;nuts and bolts/101&quot; refresher on physician office compliance plans. One size does not fit all. Learn how to review, organize, define and construct a working compliance plan for your renal office.</em></td>
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                  Jennifer Huneycutt, CMPE
9:50am to 9:55am  Q&A
9:55am to 10:00am Introduction of next speaker
10:00am to 10:45am Collaboration Between Physicians and Practice Administrators
                  Speaker to be confirmed
10:45am to 10:50am Q&A
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11:00am  Meeting Adjourns