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The Maricopa County Medical Society (MCMS) has PPE - specifically protective goggles and N95 masks - available to physicians in private practice in Maricopa County at no charge. Request supplies via <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RequestCountyPPE>

For more information, contact MCMS at 602-252-2015 or mcmsonline.com.

[Still Time to Register for the 6th Annual Flagstaff Osteopathic Medical Conference](#)

The Flagstaff Osteopathic Medical Conference (FOMC) is this weekend via ZOOM! Saturday, August 15 & Sunday, August 16 offering 12.0 hours of lectures.

Online Registration closes today, August 14, 2020, but if you wish to register the day of the event, please call Teresa Roland, AOMA Director of Education, at 602-761-2697. Cost is \$50 for AOMA Members and \$120 for Non members.

The AOMA designates this program for a maximum of **12.0 hours** of



Register at

AOA Category 1-A CME credits and will report CME credits commensurate with the extent of the physician's participation in this activity. This activity is approved for *AMA PRA 1 CreditsTM*.

www.az-osteo.org/FOMC

HHS Extends Deadline to Apply for Provider Relief Funds to Aug. 28

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is offering a [second extension](#) of the application period for Medicaid and CHIP providers to apply for payments from the Provider Relief Fund (PRF). The new deadline for applications is **Friday, August 28, 2020**.

Further, HHS announced that, starting on August 10, providers who received automatic payments from the general distribution (the initial \$30 billion from the PRF that HHS distributed based on Medicare FFS utilization) and did not apply to receive additional funds at that time will be given another opportunity to apply. This reopened application period will last from August 10 to August 28. This should allow providers who received nominal payments to apply and receive the intended total payment of two percent of patient revenue.

The following HHS links provide additional information and resources to assist providers.

Fact Sheet

The Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) released a [Fact Sheet](#) for Medicaid and CHIP Providers that is now available on the Provider Relief Fund website.

Recorded Webcast

A recording of a June 25 webcast is available at <https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/cares-act-provider-relief-fund/for-providers/index.html>.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

In order to better address provider's most important concerns, HRSA has updated their [FAQs](#) to address common questions, including those submitted during the previous webcasts. The FAQs include expanded information on eligibility, application, payment process, and more.

Application Instructions

[Medicaid and CHIP Provider Distribution Instructions](#) and the [Medicaid and CHIP Provider Distribution Application Form](#) are available at hhs.gov/providerrelief. HRSA recommends downloading and reviewing these documents to help providers complete the process through the [Enhanced Provider Relief Fund Payment Portal](#).

Additional Information

For additional information, please call the Provider Support Line at (866) 569-3522; for TTY, dial 711. Hours of operation are 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday. Service staff members are available to provide real-time technical assistance, as well as service and payment support.

Q & A with AOA President Thomas Ely, DO

AOA President Thomas L. Ely, DO, FACOFP, FAAFP recently sat down with Healio Primary Care to discuss his presidential agenda, which includes protecting and ensuring that the osteopathic philosophy and practice continues well into the future. Read his interview [here](#)

[AOMA 40th Annual Fall Seminar - Livestreaming!](#)

Plan to attend the new and improved AOMA 40th Annual Fall Seminar

- **Expanded two and one-half days: November 6-8, 2020**
- **CME hours available increased to 20**
- **Virtual livestreaming event**

The theme for the Seminar is **Come Together and Dig On!** AOMA designates this program for 20.0 hours of AOA Category 1-A CME credits and will report CME credits commensurate with the extent of the physician's participation in this activity. This activity is approved for *AMA PRA Category 1 creditsTM*. Application will be filed for AAFP prescribed credits. Full agenda is pending.

Save \$100! Register online by October 6, 2020 at www.az-osteo.org/Fall2020



An advertisement for SoFi. The background is a gradient of red and pink. In the top right corner is the SoFi logo, which consists of a grid of white circles above the word "SoFi." in white. The main text is in white: "Feeling stuck with your current private student loans?". Below this, it says "Members receive a 0.25% rate discount when refinancing with SoFi". At the bottom left is a blue button with white text that says "Learn More". In the foreground, there is a laptop on a desk with a hand model on the keyboard and a wooden mug.

[Patients are Looking for YOU!](#)

Join AOMA

[Not an AOMA Member?](#)

Join today and be a part of the 99-year tradition of the Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association!

[Arizona Vaccine News](#) Firefox



[Update Your Profile!](#)

One of the benefits of AOMA membership is the **Find a Physician** public directory search. Make sure your practice information is up to date by logging in to your member profile on the AOMA website. When you do, prospective patients and potential referring physicians will be able to find you.

Membership in AOMA is an affordable vehicle to keep abreast of national and local issues, protect your professional practice, enhance your specialized skills, further your career, and be a part of the future of osteopathic medicine in Arizona.

Refer a new AOMA member and receive a \$100 credit. Go to www.az-osteo.org/Recruit



AzDHS

[CDC Immunization Schedules](#)

[2020 T.I.P.S. Training is ONLINE](#)

[AOMA Calendar of Events-www.az-osteo.org](http://www.az-osteo.org)

6th Annual Flagstaff Osteopathic Medical Conference/Virtual Event - August 15 & 16, 2020
AOMA Board of Trustees Meeting - TBD - Virtual Meeting
AOMA 40th Annual Fall Seminar - November 6 - 8, 2020 - Virtual Event

In case you missed a past issue of the AOMA Dispatch, visit the Archives [here](#).



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