Join us for our next meeting
Tuesday, Jan. 10 ★ 11:45 a.m.

This month’s meeting will be at North Austin Medical Center Auditorium on the 2nd floor, Tuesday, January 10, 2006, (Click here for MapQuest Directions) The meeting will begin at 11:45am preceded by lunch from approximately 11:15-11:45am.

You can RSVP on our web site, www.austin-cma.org Click on “RSVP”, complete the information, and you are done. Visitors are welcome for a $5.00 charge which includes lunch and the CEU’s.

Our speaker, Lynn Shank, CSA, will discuss “Medigap/Medicare Supplemental Insurance.” The program covers information regarding the Medicare Prescription Drug program. Basics, as to, who is eligible, pricing and factors that affect prices. What is covered, what is not covered, and how to choose a program that is right for each individual.

Lynn Shank, CSA, has completed specific CMS training regarding the changes in Medicare part “D” prescription drug benefits. She has also completed over 30 hours of continuing education with the Texas Department of Insurance. Ms. Shank has served on the advisory council for RSVP, the Family Elder-care Maoney Management Board and is a speaker for the Alzheimer's Association Speakers Bureau.

Learn about Medigap at our January meeting

Time to renew your membership and sign up for committees!

It is time to renew your membership to ACMA. For another year, the board elected to maintain the current membership dues of $30. This entitles you to monthly CEU’s, lunch and the opportunity to network with your peers. We have enclosed an application for your convenience and it is also available on our web site. All monies and applications are due by March, 1, 2006.

We are encouraging members to include an email address on your application. This not only expedites the distribution of the newsletter, but is also a cost savings for the Association.

DON”T FORGET about those committee sign ups. To make it easy for you, we have listed each committee on the application. Just circle which committee(s) you are interested in and we will get in touch with you. Remember, if it weren’t for the volunteer hours that our committed each month, we would not have the success that we currently have.

This is also the time of year to place your ad in the annual Membership Directory. The directory is distributed to all ACMA members including Case Managers, Social Workers, Nurses, Therapists, etc. This is an excellent opportunity to advertise your company throughout the Healthcare field. The cost is very reasonable!

Prices and sizes are as follows:
* Business card ad is $25
* 1/4 page is $50
* 1/2 page is $75
* Full page is ONLY $125

To advertise, all we need is a clean copy of your company's logo, an ad placement copy or business card. If you advertised last year and want to run the same ad this year, just let us know. Deadline is March 31, 2006.

For more information contact Lee Bowman at 512-836-1234 or email at leebowman911@hotmail.com
Conference News

We again had another successful conference with excellent speakers and networking opportunities.

The Summit Senior Living Network for the second year in a row won “Best Booth” representing the country of Panama and will have the free booth next year!

If your company is interested in being a sponsor for next year’s conference, please call or email Lee Bowman @ 836-1234 or leebowman911@hotmail.com.

NEWSLETTER

If you have announcements for the month of February, please e-mail Cindy Lawless your topic and sponsor information by the 20th of January at newsletter@austin-cma.org and thank you to everyone for your responses.

ACMA would again like to THANK our 2005 Conference Sponsors:
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Outreach Health Services
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