



Mississippi Academy of Family Physicians  
Professional Development Committee  
Minutes  
Monday, February 8, 2016, 5:15 pm  
Conference Call  
Dr. Katherine Patterson, Presiding

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT — *providing relevant education through a variety of delivery mechanisms*

**Members Present:** Drs. Jonathan Buchanan, Sam Crosby, Ned Miller, Katherine Patterson, and Susan Frichter; MAFP staff members Beth Embry and Kay-Lynn Meador.

**Members Absent:** Drs. Diane Beebe, Lee Greer, Charles Griffith, Bruce Longest, and Melissa Sanders.

Dr. Patterson welcomed members and turned the call over to MAFP President Dr. Sam Crosby. Dr. Crosby discussed the MAFP Strategic Plan and the new committee approach. He also announced the Practice Transformation Webinar scheduled for February 24 and 25. Dr. Patterson reviewed the mission and goals of the committee. She explained these were suggestions and the committee could redefine priorities at any time. Dr. Patterson's goal is to have meet four times per year.

#### A. Continuing education

The committee discussed the upcoming spring conference and spring fling set for April 29 – May 1 at the Hilton on County Line Road. In conjunction with these meetings, the Office of MS Physician Workforce will host a job fair for the medical students and residents: "Rural Opportunity for MS Physicians or ROMP".

Members discussed the possible topics for spring fling:

- review of physician contracts
- how to get involved with medical organizations – possible panel
- follow your passion - inspirational speaker
- English Gonzalez, MD – constipation, obesity, derm speaker
- US Army – leadership talk
- ACO – what is it?

Procedures – offer two tracks:

Joint injections – Chris Boston

Brent Smith could tag team

Suturing – Dennis LaRavia

Residents could assist students with suturing.

Spring Conference

- Penny Lawin – foot care
- Beacham – pain specialist – Dr. Patterson will reach out to him – Topic "what fam docs need to do before sending patients to a pain specialist"
- Diabetes Update – Ragan?
- Thyroid – Ragan?
- Controlled Substance
- Southern Bone and Joint Orthopedics
- Women's Health
- Derm procedure – MAFP member

Beth Embry shared the Mississippi Chapter of ACOFP (American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians) has reached out to MAFP to possibly host a joint meeting. We are in discussions of how best to proceed for future meetings. We do want to include their membership and will keep committee updated on our progress. Currently the ACOFP does not have meetings.

#### B. Population health

Dr. Patterson described her clinic's relationship in the MS Aledade ACO and announced recruitment for 2017 has begun. If interested, MAFP could have Aledade contact them. Dr. Jennifer Gholson serves as the medical director.

#### C. Technology in medicine

Dr. Patterson explained the MAFP is working with the MS Psychiatric Association on a pilot telemedicine project which will give rural FM clinics access to a psychiatrist through telemedicine. The MAFP has also introduced telemedicine legislation that states an established face to face relationship has to be in place to practice telemedicine.

#### D. Member networking

Dr. Patterson asked members to consider how we could better achieve this goal.

#### E. Family Medicine faculty development

Beth Embry shared she attended a recent GME Round Table meeting hosted by William Carey that featured AOA President, Dr. John Becher. FM faculty development was discussed. Dr. James Turner offered to develop a program. Dr. Patterson stated that OMPW is working on a track for faculty development, as well. The committee approved Embry to reach out to Turner and Dr. John Mitchell to offer our support. Dr. Miller stated there is a need to look at years between 3 and 4 year medical students as there seems to be less format/curriculum.

#### F. MAFP/AAFP leadership – National Conference of Constituency Leaders – May 5 – 7, KC

<http://www.aafp.org/events/aclf-nccl/nccl.html>

Dr. Patterson encouraged members to get involved at the national level. The Leadership conference link is shared above. If you wish to be considered, let Beth Embry know.

#### G. Degree of Fellow promotion

Dr. Patterson outlined the qualifications of the degree of fellow and announced the MAFP will provide the ceremony to recognize at the summer meeting. MAFP will advertise at meetings and on the new website. We also offer ribbons at meetings to attach to nametags.

#### H. Encourage MC-FP

MAFP will continue to offer group SAMs at conferences. Dr. Joseph W. Tollison, will speak at summer meeting. He is Senior Advisor to the President of the American Board of Family Medicine. Dr. Beebe sits on the Board, as well.