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Health Matters 2010

Health Matters is an annual publication looking at innovations, research, education, technology, and regulations in the health care industry. The publication is designed to:

- Provide information about major players in the medical field in Central Florida.
- Provide information on any health industry changes coming down the pike that might affect business owners across the board.

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**MEDICARE UPDATE:
APRIL CLAIMS HELD FOR 10 DAYS**

Medicare contractors will be holding claims paid under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule for the first 10 business days in April. CMS has issued this instruction due to the expiration of the Temporary Extension Act of 2010 on March 31, 2010 with the hope that Congress will take action to avert the negative update which would take effect on April 1.

**UPCOMING EVENTS
MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**April 14, 2010
Board Meeting**
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FSU College of Medicine

**June 9, 2010
Summer Quarterly Meeting**
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Harry P. Leu Gardens

Special Guest Speaker
Madelyn Butler, MD

**HAVE YOU PAID YOUR 2010 DUES?
TIME IS RUNNING OUT!**

Please take a moment to make sure your OCMS dues are current so that you don't lose out on OCMS member benefits such as discounted malpractice insurance through FPIC, discounted banking services through SunTrust, and the opportunity to receive cash dividends on workers compensation insurance through OptaComp. If you aren't sure of your membership status, please call the OCMS office today at (407) 622-8188 or e-mail frontdesk@ocms.org to check.



MEMBER BENEFIT – DID YOU KNOW?

**OptaComp Offers 24.8% Dividend Credit
Program to OCMS Members**

Are you receiving premium dollars back from your workers' compensation insurer? The Orange County Medical Society endorses OptaComp, now the largest workers' compensation insurer of medical practices in Florida.

In Florida, premium rates are exactly the same for every workers' compensation carrier because the rates are controlled by the State. You have nothing to lose and potentially 24.8% or more annual premium dollars to recover with your OCMS membership.

To participate, contact Dan Reale at Danna-Gracey, Inc. at (407) 896-0059, dan@dannagracey.com or Kristen Brown, Kristen@dannagracey.com



**PUBLIC HEALTH NOTE
H1N1 INCREASE IN SOUTHEAST US**

The CDC reports that while flu activity remains relative low nationwide, the Southeast United States is experiencing an increase in activity, particularly in Alabama, Georgia, and South Carolina. The CDC continues to recommend flu vaccination at this time for all persons 6 months and older.