

November 2012 Newsletter



Welcome to all of the new members who attended the November 7th meeting in Troy. The association is making great strides in improving the environment to practice urgent care medicine in the state of Michigan.

Important highlights from our meeting:

- **Aetna Insurance-** The board and members discussed Aetna's up-and-coming global fee for service, and the savings provided by urgent care centers in comparison to the ED. Aetna is now aware of our concerns. The association's voice is growing! The board thanked Christy Snar, Dr. Haydee Muse (*Aetna regional medical director* for the Midwest) and Dona Milicia for being part of the discussion and suggested that a consideration should be given to some of the costly services that

Mohammed Arsiwala, MD: Gov. Rick Snyder announced that Dr. Mohammed Arsiwala would take a place on the state's Controlled Substance Advisory Commission. Arsiwala is the president and medical director of Michigan Urgent Care, which is an arrangement of 10 urgent care centers located in southeast Michigan. Arsiwala is also the president of the Urgent Care Association of Michigan and the Michigan State Medical Society.

Membership:

Membership in UCAOM is only \$100 per urgent care center. To join please email a request to:
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Next Meeting!
Wednesday, February 6, 2013
Grid4 Communications, Troy, MI
10am to 12pm

urgent cares provide such as x-rays, IV administration and fracture care. Some suggested having a pay structure that is Global fee with 'Carve-Outs' of certain CPT codes.

- **PO**-The board discussed the possibility of forming a Physician Organization to collectively bargain and discuss contracts with insurance carriers. While this remains on the table, some board members were concerned about the cost. Some have suggested joining a pre-existing group vs. creating a new one.

Lunch will be provided

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