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## Quarterly Newsletter Fall 2018

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#### Letter from the President

#### **President Dr. Richard Chang**

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

I am honored to serve as the President of the New Jersey Orthopedic Society (NJOS) which began in 1946 and now has over 400 members.

The NJOS continues to be our strongest advocate in Trenton, voicing our opinions and safeguarding our legislative interests so that we can continue to provide the best orthopedic care possible to the residents of New



Jersey. Our team of lobbyists is spearheaded by Mark Manigan and AJ Sabath, who vigilantly monitor the state of affairs in Trenton and promote our specialty by maintaining close relationships in the Statehouse and Governor's Office. On a national level, NJOS also partners with the AAOS to champion causes important to orthopedists throughout the country.

With this in mind we have created a Political Action Committee that will be able to receive contributions that can be used for legislative fundraising and events throughout the year. We encourage you all to contribute to this NJ Ortho PAC. Contributions can be made via check and sent to the NJOS Office at 150 West State Street Trenton, NJ 08608. More information is forthcoming in your annual membership renewal mailing which should be in your mailboxes next week.

Our membership team has initiated automatic renewal for the NJOS dues. With your yearly invoice that will come this month there will be an option for you to automatically renew your membership year after year. Please look for this on the invoice this month.

Every spring the NJOS conducts an outstanding 2 day symposium locally, which includes 4.5 hours of CME credit. Day 1 is a resident conference well attended by trainees and practicing surgeons from all

over NJ. For our 2019 spring meeting, the incoming AAOS President, Kristy Weber, will be addressing our body on national issues pertinent to our specialty as well as Dr. Selene Parekh and Dr. Robert Hotchkiss.

Since 2012, NJOS has also partnered with the Eastern Orthopedic Association (EOA) to conduct an away-meeting every fall, which was held at Amelia Island in Florida last month. This year's meeting was very well attended and provided 30.5 hours of CME credit. NJOS also awarded 4 deserving residents with merit scholarships to present their research. Details and photos are included below.

Last but not least, NJOS also continues to provide its members malpractice insurance discounts through its affiliation with the Medical Liability Insurance Purchasing Alliance (MLIPA) and MDAdvantage.

If you have not taken full advantage of your NJOS membership in the past, I strongly encourage you to fully explore the opportunities that are provided by your state society.

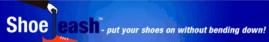
I hope to see you in the near future at one of the upcoming meetings.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>rchang007@gmail.com</u> with any questions or concerns. You can also contact our outstanding Executive Director, Rachel Holland at rachel@amg101.com or 609-392-7553.

Very truly yours,

Richard Chang, MD

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#### **AJ Sabath**

The legislature reconvened in September after taking their traditional break over the summer months. The following are policy updates for issues of interest to our profession.

#### **Out-of Nework**

The NJOS Advocacy Committee continues to monitor the promulgation of Out-of-Network regulations by State agencies. The efforts have included meeting with

legislators that have expressed concerns about how insurance companies are currently interpreting the law prior to regulations being released. New legislation has been introduced by Senators Lagana and Gopal in an effort to avoid physicians from being inadequately reimbursed

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#### Legal update



#### **Mark Manigan**

# National and New Jersey Update at-a-Glance

CMS Seeks to Recoup \$6.7 Million in Overpayments for Services Ordered by Chiropractors

In early July, the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General (OIG) released a report identifying improper Medicare payments for items and services ordered by chiropractors. ... **Continue reading** 

## EOA 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference Review!



Many members and residents enjoyed
Amelia Island. NJOS awarded 4 awards
to residents as they presented cases.
Congratulations to:
Vincent Buddle, DO
Nicole Rynecki, BA
Kimona Issa, MD
Fady Sourial, DO

EOA hosted their 49th Annual Conference in Amelia Island, FL from October 17 - 20, 2018. NJOS members presented *and* hosted the Resident Bowl.







Click Here to see more photos from EOA 2018

Save the Date for 2019! October 16-19 at The Breakers in Palm Beach, FL

## Save the Date for the 44th ANNUAL NEW JERSEY ORTHOPAEDIC SOCIETY SYMPOSIUM



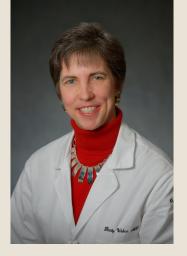
March 29th-30th 2019 At the Heldrich Hotel New Brunswick, New Jersey Registration Opening Soon

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**Guest Speaker Incoming AAOS President** 

Kristy Weber, MD

Kristy Weber, MD is the Abramson Family Professor in Sarcoma Care Excellence in the Department of



Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania. She is originally from St. Louis, Missouri and attended college at the U. Missouri-Columbia and medical school at Johns Hopkins. Kristy completed her orthopaedic residency training at the University of Iowa and followed that with a 2 year research/clinical fellowship in orthopaedic oncology at the Mayo Clinic. She joined the faculty at University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center where she developed a large clinical practice in orthopaedic oncology and developed a basic science research program related to osteosarcoma metastasis to lung and renal cell carcinoma metastasis to bone. Kristy was recruited to Johns Hopkins in 2003 as chief of the Division of Orthopaedic Oncology and Director of the Sarcoma Program and was promoted to Professor in 2009. She received the Kappa Delta national orthopaedic research award for... Continue reading



#### Dr. Robert Hotchkiss

specializes in the treatment of elbow injuries (arthritis and contractures in both children and adults), hand and wrist injuries and arthritis, and vascular disorders of the hand. He is Medical Director of Clinical Research, Director of Research in the Hand & Upper Extremity Service, and Director of Translational and External Initiatives at Hospital for Special Surgery, An Associate Attending Orthopedic Surgeon, Dr. Hotchkiss has also received additional certification in Orthopedic Hand Surgery.

<u>Click Here</u> for more details.



#### Dr. Selene Parekh

joined the North Carolina Orthopaedic Clinic and Duke Orthopaedics in 2009, where he is a Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery. Prior to his tenure at Duke, Dr. Parekh was a Foot and Ankle Surgeon at the University of North Carolina (UNC). While there, he was integrally involved in the teaching of medical students and residents. Furthermore, he served as the foot and ankle consultant to the Athletic Department, treating many of the well-known UNC athletes. In his current practice, he continues to treat competitive athletes of all levels.

Click Here for more details.



#### Mark Manigan

is a member of Brach Eichler's Health Law Practice Group and the firm's Executive Committee. He has a regional practice focused on the representation of health care industry participants on transactional and regulatory matters. Mark serves a wide spectrum of health care clients, including health systems, ambulatory care facilities, physician groups, long-term care facilities, real estate operators, and health care entrepreneurs. In addition. Mark serves as general counsel for many closely held health carerelated businesses and has been retained as special health care counsel by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court Trustee on multiple occasions.



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