

Welcome to the inaugural issue of OCMA Connect, our new monthly publication focusing on issues specific to Orange County physicians. We hope you enjoy our newsletter and we welcome your input. Please send your comments, ideas or questions to Holly Appelbaum at happelbaum@ocma.org.

Meet Darla S. Holland, M.D.

On July 1, 2016 Darla S. Holland, M.D. takes office as the 126th President of the Orange County Medical Association. In order to introduce Dr. Holland to the OCMA membership, OCMA staff asked her a few questions.

"In the words of Dr. Tim Munzing, I would like to be a servant leader. As president, I want to meet the needs of the members of the organization and I want to know what those needs are."



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WASTE NOT OC
COALITION
Feed the Need

Waste Not OC Coalition: A Successful Model for Addressing Hunger

Waste Not OC (WNOC) is a public-private partnership with the goal of eliminating hunger and reducing food waste by facilitating the donation of surplus food from food-producing facilities to local pantries.

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OCMA Physician Wellness Program

Physician burnout is real. That's why the OCMA and CAP partnered to create the Physician Wellness Program.

The committee's philosophy is *"Taking good care of your patients also means taking good care of yourself."*

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CalOptima Launches New TechAssist Program

As participants in the CalOptima TechAssist Program, eligible

Orange County health care professionals can receive technical assistance in selecting, implementing and achieving meaningful use of a CEHR.

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"Ask Mitzi"

OCMA's Physician Advocate Mitzi Young answers your questions on practice management issues.

What are a few scheduling strategies I can use to reduce long patient wait times?

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OCMA Welcomes Its Newest Members:

Richard Agnew, MD
OB/GYN
Newport Beach

Dean Chang, MD
OB/GYN
Pasadena

Sandeep Dang, MD
Nephrology
Fountain Valley

William Dodge, MD
Emergency Medicine
Laguna Hills

Andrei Dokukin, MD
Physical Medicine and
Rehabilitation
Orange

Nguyen Duy, MD
General Surgery
Fountain Valley

Kellie Edwards, MD
OB/GYN
Newport Beach

Laila Elkeeb, MD
Cosmetic Surgery
Corona Del Mar

Said Elshihabi, MD
Neurological Surgery
Laguna Hills

Max Gouron, MD
Anesthesiology
Tustin

Terese Harris, MD
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San Juan Capistrano

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Internal Medicine
Laguna Woods

Peter Smethurst, MD
Pulmonary Disease
Orange

Sean Thomas, MD
General Practice
Aliso Viejo

Soan Tran, MD
Pediatrics
Irvine

Steve Yun, MD
Anesthesiology
Santa Ana

Business Partner Profile

Universal Financial Systems

As a benefit to all OCMA members, UFS is offering a **complementary Insurance & Patient Collection Performance Analysis (\$300 value)**, as well as bundled pricing discounts for billing and insurance services.

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