

Welcome to the **July 2017** 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.

Message from OCMA Executive Director, Jim Peterson



Mid-Year Update

Hard to believe we are half-way through 2017. It's been a very busy year so far and the next six months promise to be just as active. I want to share a couple of highlights:

On July 22nd OCMA held its 128th Presidential Inauguration and Installation of Officers at the Center Club in Costa Mesa. We were honored to welcome William Thompson, IV, M.D. as president for 2017-18 and to thank Darla Holland, M.D., for her outstanding leadership during 2016-17. Dr. Thompson is not the first physician in the family to serve as OCMA's president. His father, Dr. William Thompson, III, served OCMA in 1978-79. We've attached pictures from the event in this newsletter. Enjoy!

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Meet William M. Thompson, IV, M.D.

On July 1, 2017, William M. Thompson, IV, M.D. took office as the 128th President of the Orange County Medical Association. In order to introduce Dr. Thompson to the OCMA membership, OCMA staff conducted a brief interview.



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CalOptima Invites Community to Satellite Office Open House

CalOptima, Orange County's Medi-Cal Plan, Now at the County Community Service Center



Westminster.

CalOptima will host an open house on Thursday, August 10, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the County Community Service Center located at 15496 Magnolia Street, Suite 111, in the city of

As Orange County's community health plan, **CalOptima is now available to serve its members at the County Community Service Center.** This event offers a perfect opportunity for attendees to network with members, community organizations and service providers. CalOptima staff will be on hand to provide information regarding benefits and how members can get the care they need.

This open house is designed for providers to learn about the programs and services available at the satellite office, and get information and referrals to health and community resources. Providers are encouraged to attend and discover how they can collaborate with organizations to benefit their local community.

If you would like to attend, **please RSVP** by contacting CalOptima Senior Community Relations Specialist Lisa Nguyen at lisanguyen@caloptima.org or 714-246-8809. Refreshments provided.

New and Noteworthy: Books by OCMA members

Many OCMA members are physicians who write more than prescriptions. OCMA has dedicated this space to promote new releases by OCMA members.



If you are a member of OCMA who has recently released a book that you would like to announce here, please forward your name, the title of your book and website for the book to Holly Appelbaum at happelbaum@ocma.org.

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