

AAVBS Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Ah...Summer! The time for outdoor adventures. Whether you enjoy hiking, biking, beaching or simply sitting outside on your patio, take in the warmth and brightness of the season. No matter what activities you enjoy, be safe, wear sunscreen and drink plenty of water!

Just like swimming in murky waters, some applications can have hidden risks that are difficult to see on the surface. Medical Staff Professionals (MSPs) must carefully examine data, like a diver inspecting a shipwreck, to ensure accuracy, completeness, and compliance with regulations. We must anticipate potential problems, just as a diver prepares for underwater hazards, to mitigate risks and protect our patients.

MSPs play a vital role by uncovering those hidden risks. We are like underwater explorers; they delve beyond the surface to ensure security and peace of mind and so do we. By ensuring data integrity, we contribute to a secure and reliable healthcare system. What we do is critical, and I commend you for what you do. Keep up the GREAT work and stay safe this summer!

REFER-A-COLLEAGUE CONTEST

WIN A GIFT CARD!!

Encourage your colleagues to join AAMSS and be part of an organization that promotes the improvement of professional knowledge and skills by uniting persons who are engaged in the medical staff/managed care activities!

Drawings for three \$25 giftcards (one to Target, one to Amazon ,and one to Walmart) will be held quarterly. You will also get special recognition in the quarterly newsletter.

****MUST BE A NEW MEMBER TO AAMSS WITH PAID MEMBERSHIP.**



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NAMSS CERTIFICATIONS

Thinking about becoming certified?

CPCS: The Certified Provider Credentialing Specialist (CPCS) is typically employed or contracted by a healthcare organization including, but not limited to, hospitals (health systems), health plans, ambulatory care settings, group practices, and credentialing verification organizations.

CPMSM: The Certified Professional Medical Services Management (CPMSM) is typically employed or contracted by a healthcare organization including, but not limited to, hospitals (health systems), health plans, ambulatory care settings, group practices, or credentialing verification organizations.

By holding an accredited certification, you are demonstrating to your employer, the MSP community and to yourself that you have the skills and knowledge required to complete your job as defined by the leading authority in the credentialing industry.

Remaining 2024 Exam Dates:

Fall Testing Period

- Application Opening Date: Monday, July 29, 2024
- Application Deadline: Wednesday, August 28, 2024
- Final Application Deadline (with late fee): Wednesday, September 18,
- Testing Period: Wednesday, October 9 through Wednesday, November 6, 2024

For more information about becoming certified and future dates, visit <https://www.namss.org>.

There you can find the NAMSS study guide and accreditation grid.



DID YOU KNOW?

There are certain skills that you as an MSP should master to demonstrate your effectiveness in your role as a gatekeeper of patient safety. The NAMSS Tomorrow's MSP® core functional areas and skillsets outline the responsibilities necessary for MSPs to perform their jobs, provide context for career advancement in the profession, and set a clear direction for the future of the medical services profession. Gain the knowledge needed in order to use these terms when revising your job description, completing your annual performance evaluation or updating your resume.

Core Functional Areas

Manages Provider Enrollment Process	Example: Maintains provider enrollment information within the credentialing database and pulls reports for hospital administration, marketing, professional billing staff, and clinic directors/managers as needed.
Analyzes and Manages Data Verification	Example: Identifies associations between seemingly independent problems or events to recognize trends, problems, and possible cause-effect relationships.
Manages the Credentialing or Privileging Process	Example: Evaluates credentialing/privileging requests and evidence of education, training, and experience to determine eligibility for requested privileges, membership, and/or plan participation.
Conducts, Participates In, and Maintains Credentialing and Privileging	Example: Compiles, evaluates, and presents the practitioner-specific data collected for review by one or more.
Conducts, Participates In, and Maintains Current Clinical Competency Evaluations and Peer Reviews	Example: Recognizes, investigates, and validates discrepancies and adverse information obtained.
Complies with Accreditation Standards and Regulatory Standards	Examples: 1). Participates in surveys and audits of regulatory and accreditation agencies or organizations. 2). Obtains and evaluates practitioner sanctions, complaints, and adverse data to ensure compliance.
Manages Compliance with State and Federal Accreditation Standards and Regulatory Requirements	Example: Develops and/or updates applicable governing documents (bylaws, rules and regulations/policies and procedures) that support and direct organizational practices and ensure compliance.
Conducts, Participates In, and Maintains Primary Source Verification	Example: Verifies and documents expirables using acceptable verification sources to ensure compliance with accreditation and regulatory standards.
Manages Departmental Operations	Example: Verifies and documents expirables using acceptable verification sources to ensure compliance with accreditation and regulatory standards.
Facilitates Medical Staff Functions	Example: Collaborates with executive teams to integrate operational needs into strategic planning processes and promotes practitioner advocacy, departmental effectiveness, and regulatory readiness.

DID YOU KNOW?....CONTINUED

SKILLSETS

- ANALYTICAL THINKING
- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- RELATIONSHIP BUILDING
- BUDGET/FINANCE
- LEGAL
- RISK MANAGEMENT
- CHANGE MANAGEMENT
- MANAGED CARE
- TEAM BUILDING
- CLINICAL COMPETENCE
- PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT
- DATABASE MANAGEMENT
- COMMUNICATION
- POLITICAL SAVVY
- MEDICAL STAFF PROFESSIONALISM
- CONFIDENTIALITY
- PRESENTATION SKILLS
- MEDICAL STAFF WELLNESS
- CONTRACTING
- PROFESSIONAL ETHICS
- CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION
- PROFESSIONAL PRESENCE
- MEDICAL STAFF BYLAWS & POLICIES/PROCEDURES
- FLEXIBILITY/ADAPTABILITY
- PROJECT MANAGEMENT
- REMOTE PEOPLE MANAGEMENT
- HUMAN RESOURCES
- QUALITY REVIEW/QUALITY



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Calendar of Events 2024

Annual AAMSS
Meeting
Friday, November
15th, 2024

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"Around The State"

send us your picture or group picture for next newsletter

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