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#### The Washington D.O.

# News You Can Use

This is a publication to keep you informed of issues and events pertaining to the osteopathic profession in Washington. We invite you to submit topics or articles of interest to your colleagues for consideration. Submissions may be emailed to executivedirector@woma.org

### Convention Registration Discount Deadline Approaching

If you are planning to attend the 105<sup>th</sup> Annual NW Osteopathic Convention in Seattle and have not yet registered, note that the early registration discount fee expires on May 5<sup>th</sup> (extended from May 1<sup>st</sup>).

You can download the brochure or register online from our website at <u>www.woma.org.</u> If you are not a WOMA member or have not yet set up a record with your email and password, please email a request to Hayley Griffin to establish one for you at <u>hgriffin@woma.org</u>.

### Have Your Reserved Your Room Yet?

Get your room reserved while the discount is still available! Do <u>NOT</u> use a third-party reservation company (Trivago, Priceline, Travelocity, etc.) WOMA's room block contains rooms with one king bed or two queen beds. Please reserve now for the best choice. Our room block will be released soon, so please don't delay.

#### To make a reservation:

Go to <u>www.cedarbrooklodge.com</u> and select" book now", enter the arrival and departure dates, put the code WOMA in the Group Code box Select refresh. This should show you the \$189 room rates for our room block. Select Check Availability.

Select View Available Rooms.

Select the room.

Complete the Guest Information section. Review, then confirm your reservation.

Or, you may call the central reservation numbers at 206.785.3533 or 877.515.2176 and book under the WA Osteopathic Medical Association with the same code of WOMA.

#### CME Needs Assessment

#### Survey

It is time for WOMA's annual CME Needs Assessment Survey. The information you provide is used by WOMA's Professional Education Committee in determining future CME topics, speakers and locations. Please take a few minutes to help with this very important process.

Click Here for Survey

#### **Exhibitors Needed!**

The 105th Annual Convention is the perfect venue to share information about products and services, employment and precepting opportunities with approximately 100 osteopathic physicians. If you know of a business or organization that may want to take advantage of this opportunity, please direct them to <u>www.woma.org</u> or have them email Hayley Griffin, Exhibit Manager at <u>hgriffin@woma.org</u> or call the WOMA office at 425-677-3930 more information.

#### First Ever "Meet and Treat" Great Success!

The first ever Meet and Treat the 'DO'ctors, sponsored by WOMA (Washington Osteopathic Medical Association) and held Saturday, April 21 at HealthPoint in Renton, WA, was a great success! Students from ATSU and PNWU, community physicians and tasty snacks came together for a relaxing yet educational afternoon. Nine students from the two Washington state osteopathic medical schools mixed and mingled while performing osteopathic manipulative medicine on the 11 practicing physicians in attendance. What a chance for students to learn hands-on, treating those already experienced using OMT in daily practice! Self-care for licensed physicians, education for students and collegiality for all were the goals for this event. But the affair actually delivered practical education and good self-care for everyone in attendance. Networking and collegiality mixed with large dose of fun added to the success of this event. The team organizing the event included Suzanne Laurel, DO (WOMA Board of Governors Director for Membership and HealthPoint Auburn's Lead physician), student organizers Winnie Tsai (ATSU HealthPoint campus) and Ella Kuchmiy (PNWU), and HealthPoint physician and ATSU mentor, Ben Fasbinder, DO (HealthPoint Tukwila). Staff at HealthPoint were more than accommodating with the space and set up for the event. There are hopes to schedule future Meet and Treat events, given the success of this one as well as hopes to spread collaborative events like this to other regions of Washington state. Individuals, clinics, training programs and hospitals are encouraged to consider hosting an event. Contact Roseanne Andersen, Executive Director for WOMA, for more information.









## Do you have member news to share with your osteopathic colleagues?

Please send it and a related photo, if available, to executivedirector@woma.org

