Florida Society of Medical Assistants, Inc.

To: FSMA Executive Board
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Education Chair

Date: October 13, 2012

The Education Chair and committee members have confirmed the speakers, topics, and CEU's for the Port St. Lucie Seminar for October 13, 2012 as follows:

- Enhancing Communication 2 G
- Assistive Devices and Ergonomics 1 CG
- Sleep Studies and Apnea 2 CG
- March of Dimes – Healthy Birthing of Babies 1 AG
- Emergency Preparedness 1.5 G
- Sterile Procedures for in Office Surgeries 2 CG

A total of 9.5 CEU's have been approved by the AAMA for this seminar. The agenda was revised to correlate with the AAMA approved 9.5 CEU's for this seminar.

The original agenda was revised to correlate with the approved CEU's from National in order to limit any confusion of its members attending the seminar. The CEU's must reflect the time allotted for each session to avoid any confusion of its members as well National. This chair recommends that in the future that if topics have been approved in the past for a chapter, it needs to be revised for FSMA to make sure that the time correlates with the CEU's. If a topic was approved previously for 2 CEU's, it needs to be revised for the future session with new information and not submit old information to National for CEU approvals. Our goal is to

provide quality, accuracy, and education to our members of the FSMA and work as a team for future growth.

The Education committee has been working on a preliminary agenda for January 2013 in Punta Gorda Florida which includes the following topics:

- David Patterson, RN topic is Non-Verbal communication
- Anita Koss, Director of CARES topic is Human trafficking
- Eva Martin, RhD (Registered Diabetic Educator) topic is Weigh Loss and proper Diet
- Dr. Guthrie with Hospice topic is End of Life
- Dr. Kartis topic is Aortic stenosis and new procedures
- Karin Applegate (HIM Program Manager) at SW Florida College topic is Preparing for ICD-10

I want to thank the education committee for their time and effort in accomplishing an exciting agenda for the Port St. Lucie seminar and continuing their commitment for the 2013 year in providing a variety of topics for the FSMA members.

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