FLORIDA SOCIETY OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS

Affiliate of the American Association of Medical Assistants

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To: Patricia Allen, CMA (AAMA) Speaker of the General Assembly
Mary Morris, CMA (AAMA) Vice Speaker of the General Assembly

From: Treasure Coast Chapter of Medical Assistant

Re: 2017 Annual Report

The Treasure Coast Chapter of Medical Assistants covers Indian River, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. The leadership board meets several times throughout the year. During these meetings, topics such as seminars, community service projects, and chapter needs are discussed. Our chapter meetings are held September through May on a monthly basis. The meetings are currently being held at 5:45pm at Indian River State College, located at 3209 Virginia Avenue, Fort Pierce, FL 34981 in the Smith Center for Medical Education Building, Room 126. The chapter does rotate meeting days, so be sure to check out our webpage on the FSMA webpage and calendar for our event days. In addition, we have a page on Facebook-type in Treasure Coast Chapter Of Medical Assistants in the search box and like us.

The Treasure Coast Chapter of Medical Assistants continues to hold a variety of AAMA approved events to its members free of charge. We have joined up and established relationships with some local doctors of different specialty for these chapter presentations.

Through this joint venture, our chapter has gain recognition with local employers in the area and now the employers are only hiring credentialed medical assistants (CMAs and RMAs). With these new relationship being established, one employer went from 63% of their employers who were not credentialed to 5% not who are not credentialed. This percentage change occurred over 1 year. With the credentialing of medical assistants in the area, Treasure Coast Chapter has gained increased recognition.

During the past year, this chapter has been able to offer **19.5** continued education credits to our members through our monthly chapter meetings. For the remainder of the year, we have the following events planned:

Monthly Chapter Meetings with Continued Education Units are scheduled for:

- Thursday, April 13, 2017 Topic- TBA
- Tuesday, May 30, 2107 Topic- Anti-Aging with Dr. D. Viggiano

Over the year, the Treasure Coast Chapter has also participated in several community service events as well. In October, members participated in and raised over $400 for Making Strides for Breast Cancer. In addition, there is on-going food collection for IRSC students and Treasure Coast Food Pantry. We ask members to donate non-perishable food items at each of the chapter meetings.

This chapter has worked closely with various committees, such as Executive Council, Marketing, Communications and Meeting Coordinator. Treasure Coast Chapter will continue to offer additional educational opportunities to the members and continue communications with the various committees.

We look forward to your continued support.