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Vice Speaker of the General Assembly

From: Mary Morris, CMA (AAMA)
Central Florida Chapter President

Re: Annual Central Florida Chapter Report April 2019

The Central Florida Chapter now services the following counties: Lake, Levy, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Polk and Volusia counties.

2018 ended as follows:
*Saturday October 13, Mini Seminar at Florida Career College 989 N Semoran Blvd, Orlando, FL, 8:30 am to 1 pm, 4 CEUS, Topics included: Stop The Bleed (1.5), ICD 10 updates (1.5), and Jeopardy (1).

*Tuesday, October 16, 2018, Central Florida chapter meeting and 1 Free CEU, education from 6:30-7:30 pm with business meeting immediately to follow. CEU topic was Medicare, Medicaid and ACA Update.

*Wednesday, November 14, 2018, Central Florida chapter meeting. No speaker.

After discussion with member meeting attendees, the CFCMA is trying something new in 2019. Instead of meeting 6 times a year during the week with 2 mini seminars, the chapter will have 3 mini seminars (4 CEUS) that will take place on a Saturday. (January 26, 2019, March 16, 2019, and October 19, 2019.) The only two times we will meet during the week will be in the months of May and September on a Tuesday for business purposes in order to plan future events and happenings with the chapter. Three mini seminars at 4 CEUS would give our members 12 CEUS in a given year. The attendance in the past, at our Saturday mini seminars has generally been much better than the attendance during the work week. The chapter hopes to see a positive change in attendance with the way we are now structuring things.

Our mini seminar on 1/26/19 was held at VFW Post 4287 at 3500 S Goldenrod Road, Orlando, FL 32822. We had 39 attendees!!! 4 CEUS were approved by AAMA. Topics included: Brain Health (1 C), Common Foot and Ankle Problems (1C), Skin Care (1C) and Jeopardy (1ACG)

Our next mini seminar will be on 3/16/19 at Rasmussen College at 4755 SW 46th Court in Ocala, FL. 4 CEUS approved by AAMA. No charge for attendance for AAMA members, $5.00 charge for non members. Topics: Billing and Coding, Medical Marijuana, and Jeopardy.

Our seminar in October (10/19/19) will be held at the new location of Grace Medical Home. Speakers are being worked on for this seminar with further details as the date for this mini seminar gets closer.

We want to thank Loxie Kistler, CMA (AAMA), FSMA Communications/Marketing chair for sending out the eBlasts to keep our members informed of all chapter happenings. Thank you to Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C, (AAMA), our Web Master, for posting all updates to the FSMA website.

This Chapter President wants to personally thank Maria Wiegelmann, CMA (AAMA), for being an integral part of keeping this chapter going with the endless work she does getting speakers for our seminars and chapter communications as well as making sure everything is handled in a timely manner. Thank you Maria!

We invite all members to follow the Central Florida Chapter of Medical Assistants Facebook page for the latest updates and happenings with the chapter.