FLORIDA SOCIETY OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS

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To: Heidi Fortin, CMA (AAMA) Speaker of the General Assembly
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Spring FSMA Annual Meeting

The Central Gulf Coast Chapter has had an active year. The loss of our devoted member Patricia Allen, CMA (AAMA) August 2018 and her husband Jim Allen November 2018, who were dedicated to the Ways & Means committee for many years will be sorely missed. Pat served in many areas of the AAMA through chapter and state involvement as an officer, chair or committee member. The Southwest chapter who is presenting the Ways & Means Committee is honoring their memory this 2019 Annual meeting.

The beginning of 2018 year this chapter met to discuss if Central Gulf Coast Chapter had interest along with enough members to continue meeting or discuss if there being no desire to dissolve the chapter. The members present made the choice to continue. Since that time the chapter has worked together to make changes to the times we meet. Change to less monthly meetings, added on a Mini Seminar and continue to provide CEUs with AAMA approval.

The Central Gulf Coast Chapter members have continued to keep our main focus on CEUs. Our Chapter has encouraged efforts to support our members, welcome potential new members. Plans are continuing to develop for our future chapter endeavors.