



**2009 MICHIGAN ORTHOPAEDIC SOCIETY  
ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING  
JUNE 19-21, 2009  
FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
THE GRAND HOTEL, MACKINAC ISLAND, MI**

Welcome to the 2009 Annual Scientific Meeting of the Michigan Orthopaedic Society, a Friday, Saturday and Sunday meeting program. This year's meeting chaired by Program Director, Dr. Joe Guettler is a program highlighted by keynote speakers, Donald Wiss, MD of the Southern California Orthopaedic Institute, and Mr. Derek McMinn of The McMinn Centre, Birmingham.

Dr. Wiss was Director of the Orthopedic Trauma Service at the LAC-USC Medical Center for eight years. He joined the Southern California Orthopedic Institute Medical Group in 1991. He has special interest in nonunions of fractures. He has lectured extensively both nationally and internationally on fracture treatment and trauma reconstruction.

The McMinn Centre was established in 2003. Dr. McMinn enjoys taking on the challenge of patients with complex hip and knee problems. The stemmed reconstruction acetabular cup for the grossly deficient socket is one of his innovations.

The meeting will begin on Friday afternoon June 19 with interactive study sessions for specialty orthopaedics including foot and ankle, elbow and hand, and shoulder/sports medicine amongst others. There will also be a special program for physician assistants, nurses and other allied associates (the program is outlined in this newsletter). On Friday evening, there will be a welcoming reception for all attendees including members, exhibitors and associates along with their families. We hope you will attend the reception to join your friends and introduce yourself to new colleagues.

There will be traditional paper and poster presentations and breakout sessions during the Saturday and Sunday program along with our notable guest speakers. Presentations are due at the MOS office by March 30.

A final schedule of events will appear at the MOS web site [www.mosonline.org](http://www.mosonline.org) as soon as the juried program of this year's member submissions is finalized. The MOS program committee always receives a large number of outstanding research papers and proposals for poster sessions that provide new and valuable scientific information.

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**NEW FOR THE GRAND HOTEL IN 2009 ONLY** - The Grand Hotel has offered a special rate to MOS members who wish to stay over an additional night on Sunday, June 21. You may extend your stay for Sunday night only at 50% of the cost of your rate for your previous night's stay. If you have already registered, call the hotel and let them know you wish to accept their offer of an extra night's stay at 50 percent of your rate. The phone number is (906) 847-3331.

**How do you register?** Both a hotel and meeting registration form is enclosed in this newsletter. You will also find forms on line at [www.mosonline.org](http://www.mosonline.org) that you may print and mail to the MOS, P.O. Box 475, Northville, MI 48167. You must fax your hotel registration by May 18, 2009 to receive the MOS special rate for hotel reservations. Register early as we are expecting a large attendance. The Grand Hotel has a full complement of activities including golf, swimming, tennis, cycling, exercise facilities, horseback riding, children's programs, and Fort Mackinac. Please visit their web site at [www.grandhotel.com](http://www.grandhotel.com) to review the entire vast array of recreational activities they offer.

**Hotel Dining** - Breakfast and dinner daily are included in the Grand Hotel room rate.

**Activities** - Tennis - There are four Har Tru based clay courts. Improve your game with lessons and clinics with the Grand Hotel Tennis Pro that is on staff throughout the summer. Rental equipment is also available. Contact the tennis house for more information.

**Swimming**- The Esther Williams Swimming Pool is a favorite for guests. The heated 500,000 gallon, 220-foot long serpentine-shaped pool is ideal for sunning, swimming or just soaking up the beauty of the surrounding gardens. Poolside food and beverage service is available. Guests are welcome to enjoy the sauna and two whirlpools, adjacent to the pool.

**Cycling** -Bicycles can be rented at Grand Hotel's Tennis Shop, and ideal for exploring Mackinac Island.

**Carriage Tours** -A tour of the island in a horse-drawn carriage is a great way to discover Mackinac's heritage and natural beauty.

**Exercise Facilities** -A complete exercise facility is located adjacent to the swimming pool. Changing rooms and showers are available.

The annual 9 hole golf game will be on Saturday afternoon, June 20 for all attendees on the Jewel course at The Grand Hotel. Instructions for sign-up will be available on the MOS web site, [www.mosonline.org](http://www.mosonline.org) before the end of March. Contact the golf pro shop at The Grand Hotel for arrangements at (800) 33-GRAND.

I hope all of you will attend with your families!

Pam Dietrich  
Executive Director

**MICHIGAN ORTHOPAEDIC SOCIETY -  
2009 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING  
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - JOSEPH GUETTLER, MD,  
PROGRAM CHAIRMAN**

**JUNE 19-21, 2009 THE GRAND HOTEL, MACKINAC ISLAND, MI**

**Friday, June 19**

**REGISTRATION/SPECIALTY MEETINGS**

\*Breakfast Sat. and Sun. in the Exhibitor arena; lunch is on an individual basis.

- 1:00pm-5:00pm Posters displayed in the hall leading to Main Theatre/Exhibitor Arena Hall  
1:00pm-5:00pm Audiovisual review for presenters with Bluewater Tech-Terrace Room  
9:30am -12:30pm Board of Directors Meeting  
1:30pm-5:00pm Exhibitor Set-up- Main Theatre  
1:00pm-3:00pm Foot and Ankle Study Mtg-Donald Bohay, MD - Headquarters of the Capitol Club  
"Contemporary Approaches to Foot and Injuries & Problems in Active Individuals"  
1:00pm-3:00pm Hand/Forearm/Elbow Study Mtg-Jeffrey King, MD - Straits of Mackinac  
"From the Elbow Down: Current Concepts Important for both the Generalist and the Specialist"  
1:00pm-4:00pm REGISTRATION for Meeting- Lower level hotel lobby- Garden Terrace  
3:15pm-5:15pm Sports/Shoulder Study Mtg- Joseph Guettler, MD & J. Michael Wiater, MD  
Headquarters of the Capitol Club  
"What's Real and What's Not in the Treatment of Common Sports Injuries," and  
"Controversies in the Management of Massive Rotator Cuff Tears"  
12:30pm-4:30pm Associates Study Meeting for PA's, NP's, MA's - Nora Bass, NP, MBA, - Brighton  
5:30pm-6:15pm \*\*MOS member physicians preview of exhibitor booths\*\*-Main Theatre  
6:30pm-7:30pm MOS Welcome Reception for Members, Guests, Exhibitors- West Front Porch  
\*\*Dinner in the Dining Room for guests staying at the Grand Hotel

**Saturday, June 20**

**SCIENTIFIC MEETING**

- 6:45am-7:45am Continental Breakfast in Exhibitor Hall- Main Theatre  
7:30am Scientific Presentations begin - Terrace Room  
8:15am-8:50am Presidential Guest Speaker: Donald Wiss, MD, Southern CA Orthopaedic Institute  
8:50am Scientific Presentations continue-  
9:30am-9:55am Harry Herkowitz, MD - ABOS  
9:55am Coffee/refreshments available in Exhibitor area with Poster Review- Main Theatre  
10:15am Keynote Speaker: Mr. Derek McMinn, Birmingham England  
10:50am Scientific Presentations resume -  
11:25am Breakout Sessions:  
1. Trauma- Donald Wiss, MD and Cliff Jones, MD- Terrace Room  
2. Hip/Joints- Mr. Derek McMinn and Gregory Golladay, MD - Cottage Rest.  
12:15pm MOS Legislative Update - Bill Kandler, Cusmano, Kandler & Reed. Inc.  
12:30pm MOS Business Meeting- Mark Pinto, MD; President, MOS  
12:50pm Annual Meeting Adjournment  
12:45pm Golf Tournament - The Jewel (9 holes) - Golf Pro: Jason Horricks  
Coordinator: Kelly Cahill  
6:30pm-7:30pm President's Reception for Members, Guests and Exhibitors- Grand Pavilion (in the back of Dining Room). Dinner in reserved section of Dining Room for guests staying at the Grand Hotel

## 2009 MOS ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING CONTINUED

Sunday, June 21

6:45am-7:45am Continental Breakfast in Exhibitor Arena- Main Theatre  
7:15am-8:45am Scientific Presentations begin - Terrace Room  
8:45am Keynote Speaker: Mr. Derek McMinn, Birmingham, England  
9:20am Scientific Presentations continue-  
10:20am Coffee/Refreshments available in Exhibitor Arena and Poster Review-Main Theatre  
10:40am Keynote Speaker: Donald Wiss, MD, Southern California Orthopaedic Institute  
11:15am Scientific Presentations Resume  
12:10pm Announcements and Adjournment  
12:30pm Exhibitor Breakdown

+++Shipping Contact for Exhibitors: Jackie Hoskins, Convention Coordinator

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE.

### MACKINAC ISLAND PROGRAM FOR NURSING, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND OTHER ASSOCIATES

Please pass this program information along to your associates in your office practice. Nora Bass, MBA, NP from Providence Hospital has organized another outstanding program for associates. There is no charge for attendance and CEU's will be available for the 4 hour program:

12:15-12:50pm Dean Schueller, MD "Kyphoplasty"  
12:55-1:35pm Steve Lemos, MD "Athletes Elbow"  
1:40-2:20pm Patricia Kolowich, MD "Upper Extremity Trauma"  
2:25-2:35pm Break  
2:35-3:05pm Jim Goulet, MD "Pelvic Ring Injuries"  
3:10-3:40pm Dr. Goulet "Hip Impingement: recognition & treatment  
3:45-4:40pm Brian Hallstrom, MD "Hip Replacement, Complex Revisions &  
Current Controversies"

This program will be held in the Brighton Room of the Grand Hotel.

## **TOM GEORGE FOR GOVERNOR**

The MOS is helping to co-host a second fundraiser for Senator Tom George's run for Governor of Michigan. The first fundraiser was earlier this month in Grand Rapids and was attended by over 40 individuals involved in the field of medicine. Cliff Jones, MD and Don Condit, MD served on the host committee.

On March 30, Joe Guettler, MD and Patti Kolowich, MD will be serving on the host committee at the Birmingham Community House in Oakland County. The fundraiser begins at 6:30pm and all orthopaedic surgeons are welcome. Individual contribution is \$250 or \$500 per couple.

On May 4, Senator George will have a fundraiser in Traverse City. Watch for complete details on the web site at [www.mosonline.org](http://www.mosonline.org)

## **EXPANSION OF SCOPE DENIED IN 2008 FOR CHIROPRACTORS NOW WITH A NEW ALERT**

As many of you are aware, the MOS and other Michigan medical coalition members were successful in defeating the chiropractic legislation introduced in 2008 that would have expanded their scope of practice to all extremities. As legislation in HB 6201 introduced by Rep. Kathy Angerer explained, this bill would have expanded the allowable scope of practice for chiropractors authorizing the treatment of "misalignments that cause nerve interference or joint dysfunction," rather than just the "misalignments of the human spine" currently within the scope of practice. The bill also would have allowed the use of "imaging technology" in addition to x-rays by chiropractors.

Once again, as of early March, the MOS has learned that the chiropractic community is asking for support from legislators and others to expand their scope of practice to treat all extremities. The MOS urges you to be ready to contact your Michigan House and Senate representatives by email or phone to let them know you oppose expansion of scope of practice for chiropractors. We will alert you immediately to any new legislation introduced this year.

Find the legislators contact information for your district at: <http://house.michigan.gov/replist.asp> for the Michigan House of Representatives and <http://www.senate.michigan.gov/> for the Michigan Senate.

## **PHYSICAL THERAPISTS**

Senate Bill 151 was introduced by Sen. Bruce Patterson (R) on January 29, 2009, to impose licensure and state regulation on physical therapist assistants, including new training and experience standards and to increase the annual licensing fees on physical therapists (and assistants) from \$50 to \$90. The MOS was in favor of this legislation as it improved standards of regulation for physical therapists, insured licensing for physical therapy assistants, and provided continuing education standards.

The MOS continues to monitor all legislation involving areas of our profession.



## **CMS' THREE NATIONAL COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS (NCDs) TO PROTECT PATIENT FROM PREVENTABLE SURGICAL ERRORS**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced three national coverage determinations to establish uniform national policies that will prevent Medicare from paying for certain serious, preventable errors in medical care.

The errors referred to "never events" are identified in the National Quality Forum's (NQF) list of Serious Reportable Events:

- Wrong surgical or other invasive procedures performed on a patient;
- Surgical or other invasive procedures performed on the wrong body part;
- Surgical or other invasive procedures performed on the wrong patient

In addition, Medicare will not cover any services related to these non-covered procedures.

The national coverage determinations (NCDs) can affect payment to hospitals, physicians, and any other health care providers and suppliers involved in these procedures. To view the NCDs, visit:

Wrong body part: [www.cms.hhs.gov/mcd/viewdecisionmemo.asp?id=222](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/mcd/viewdecisionmemo.asp?id=222)

Wrong patient: [www.cms.hhs.gov/mcd/viewdecisionmemo.asp?id=221](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/mcd/viewdecisionmemo.asp?id=221)

Wrong surgery performed: [www.cms.hhs.gov/mcd/viewdecisionmemo.asp?id=223](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/mcd/viewdecisionmemo.asp?id=223)

## **IN SUMMARY, NEW MEDICARE PAYMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS - CMS**

Below is a summary of key changes and provisions of the 2009 Physician Fee Schedule that effects coding and billing for physician services.

The 2009 Conversion Factor has been set at \$36.0666. This is a 5% decrease in the conversion factor, however, because of other stipulated adjustments in RVUs (primarily the elimination of the work budget neutrality adjustor), Medicare fees will increase by 1% on average.

There are 10 new orthopaedic related CPT codes in the 2009 Physician Fee Schedule. There are two new general orthopaedic CPT codes for computer dependent external fixation (20696 and 20697), three new codes for cervical total disc replacement (22856, 22861 and 22864), two new codes for buttock fasciotomy (27027 and 27057), one new code for interdiscal percutaneous aspiration (62267), and two new codes for foot injection procedure (64455 and 64632).

CMS will not recognize four current CPT codes for the repair of pelvic fractures:

27215 - Open treatment of iliac spine(s), tuberosity avulsion, or iliac wing fracture(s), unilateral for pelvic bone fracture patterns that do not disrupt the pelvic ring includes internal fixation, when performed

27216 -Percutaneous skeletal fixation of posterior pelvic bone fracture and/or dislocation, for fracture patterns that disrupt the pelvic ring, unilateral (includes ilium, sacroiliac joint and/or sacrum)

27217 -Open treatment of anterior pelvic bone fracture and/or dislocation for fracture patterns that disrupt the pelvic ring, unilateral, includes internal fixation when performed (included pubic symphysis and/or superior/inferior rami

27218 -Open treatment of posterior pelvic bone fracture and/or dislocation, for fracture patterns that disrupt the pelvic ring,

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May 1, 2009

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Orthopaedic Society dues by credit  
card.

unilateral, includes internal fixation, when performed (includes ilium, sacroiliac joint and/or sacrum). Medicare has created four "G" codes as substitutes for the above CPT codes. The G codes are:

G0412 -Open treatment of iliac spine(s), tuberosity avulsion, or iliac wing fracture(s), unilateral or bilateral for pelvic bone fracture patterns which do not disrupt the pelvic ring includes internal fixation, when performed

G0413 -Percutaneous skeletal fixation of posterior pelvic bone fracture and/or dislocation, for fracture patterns which disrupt the pelvic ring, unilateral or bilateral, (includes ilium, sacroiliac joint and/or sacrum)

G0414 -Open treatment of anterior pelvic bone fracture and/or dislocation for fracture patterns which disrupt the pelvic ring, unilateral or bilateral, includes internal fixation when performed (includes pubic symphysis, and/or superior/inferior rami)

G0415 -Open treatment of posterior pelvic bone fracture and/or dislocation, for fracture patterns which disrupt the pelvic ring, unilateral or bilateral, includes internal fixation, when performed (includes ilium, sacroiliac joint and/or sacrum)

The G codes have the same RVUs as the CPT codes used previously, however, CMS will deny any bilateral coding. The Medicare G codes are for Medicare use only and should not be used when billing non-Medicare payors, as the G codes are designed to prohibit providers from billing these four CPT codes as bilateral (ie, separate incisions on separate body parts). Private payors have not restricted payment for bilateral pelvic procedures and as such, providers should continue to use CPT coding for these procedures.

If you have questions about the 2009 Physician Fee Schedule, please feel free to contact Matthew Twetten, AAOS Senior Health Policy Analyst at (847) 384-4338 or [twetten@aaos.org](mailto:twetten@aaos.org)

## **FUTURE EVENTS OF THE MICHIGAN ORTHOPAEDIC SOCIETY**

**MOS Coding Program**  
September 17, 2009  
Karen Zupko and Associates,  
Rosemont, Illinois

**2009 Annual Fall Education Program**  
JW Marriott Hotel, Grand Rapids  
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**Do you have a new physician in your practice?  
Don't let them miss the MOS Annual Scientific Meeting  
June 19-21. Have them fill out an application for membership!**

**Submit your abstract to the June 19-21 MOS Annual Scientific Meeting**  
at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island.  
**Deadline for submission: March 30, 2009**  
All forms on line at [www.mosonline.org](http://www.mosonline.org)



**Michigan Orthopaedic Society  
Application for Membership**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Specialty \_\_\_\_\_

Practice status: Solo \_\_\_\_\_ Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Associates \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical School: \_\_\_\_\_

Residency: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Fellowship: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Membership applying for: Active (must be Board certified) \_\_\_\_\_

Associate \_\_\_\_\_ Candidate (resident) \_\_\_\_\_ (You may update when you become Board certified)  
(check one above)

Eligible ABOS (MD) or AOBOS (DO): Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Certified ABOS (MD) or AOBOS (DO): Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Member of AAOS (MD) or AOA (DO): Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please list two members of the MOS for your required letters of recommendation so that we may contact them for you. Only one of these members may be associated with you in practice. Members we may contact for your recommendations:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

Your application will be reviewed by the Board of Directors at the next meeting after receipt. Vote of the membership for final acceptance occurs at the annual scientific meeting in June or at the fall general membership meeting.

Please return this completed form to: Pamela Dietrich, Executive Director  
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