

2021 Fall Newsletter



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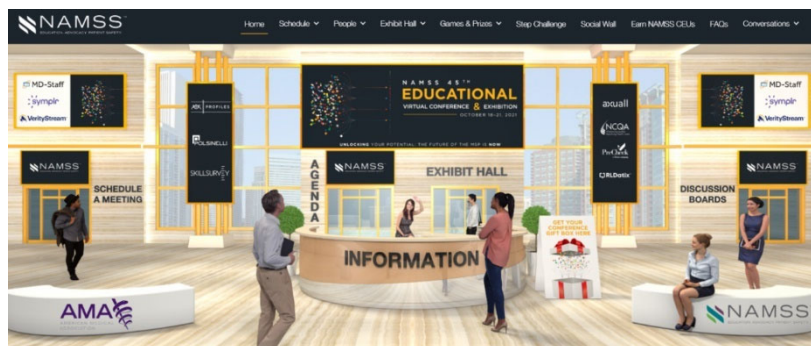
Changes in NAMSS:

Sara Cameron, CPMSM CPCS is moving to Secretary/Treasurer of NAMSS and will no longer be our DAL (Director at Large). We are excited for her in this transition, but sad for us! She has been with us for many years, and has always been great to work with!

More information to follow on who will be her replacement.

CONCLUSION OF NAMSS CONFERENCE:

Some of our members attended the conference last week! We hope you had a great time. Next year is planned for Nashville, TN!



Upcoming FREE Webinar

Date: Nov 10, 2021 from 1:00 – 2:00 pm EST- Zoom
Session Title: Low/No volume Providers: Best Practices for Competency and Privileging
Presented by: Sharon Beckwith, CEO MDReview and Sara Cameron, CPMSM, CPCS
Sponsored by: Minnesota Association Medical Staff Services
Hosted by: The Hardenbergh Group and MDReview

MAMSS was approved for 1 CEU credit from NAMSS.

NAMSS Virtual Courses

Credentialing 201

This newly-redesigned and converted four-week, interactive course builds on the foundation of Credentialing 100/101 and goes beyond the credentialing procedures to explore common challenges faced by credentialing managers.

Medical Services Management (CPMSM) Virtual Certification Preparation Course

The newly-redesigned NAMSS Medical Services Management (CPMSM) Certification Preparation Workshop is a four-week interactive program designed to help you assess your knowledge of the CPMSM exam content and identify areas in which additional study is necessary before you take the exam.



Mentoring Program

If you are new to credentialing, we want to remind you that there is a mentoring program available to you through MAMSS! This is a great opportunity to grow in the field of credentialing and connect with your peers. Additionally, if you are interested in being a mentor to share your knowledge and experience with others, please contact MAMSS Past President, Stefanie Frank at SFrank@hutchealth.com.

For more information, visit the MAMSS website under "Policies and Procedures" pages 71-73.

HELP WANTED!

The Education Committee is seeking additional members who are eager to get their toes wet in the planning process for MAMSS Educational Events.

Our meetings occur on a monthly basis and are usually around an hour. We have a lot of fun planning events for MAMSS Members!

We encourage you to check us out and see what it's all about! Please contact the Education Committee chairperson, Keri Pruette, CPCS at Keri.Pruette@essentiahealth.org for more information.



Website Updates

Upcoming Regional Meetings

Central Region: TBD (Webex ONLY)

Metro Region: TBD (Webex ONLY)

Northern Region: TBD (Webex ONLY)

Southern Region: TBD (Webex ONLY)

Other Upcoming Events:

Illinois Association Medical Staff Services

Free Virtual Events Series

When: Friday, November 5th, 2021 and Friday, November 12, 2021, 8-11:00am

Where: Webex ONLY/Virtual

Register [here](#).

MAMSS Board Meeting

Friday, December 17, 2021 from 9am – 11am via Web-ex ONLY

2022 MAMSS Spring Conference

April 21-22, 2022, Crowne Plaza, Plymouth, MN

"Change. Challenge. Opportunity."

Planning is underway!



Website Updates Continued...

NAMSS 46th Educational Conference & Exhibition
September 11-14, 2022, Nashville, TN

NAMSS 47th Educational Conference & Exhibition
September 11-14, 2023, Orlando, FL

Career Opportunities posted within the last 2 months:

- Medical Staff Services Coordinator, Fairview – September 2021

Discussion Forum Questions posted within the last two months:

- Partial Hospitalization and adult day treatment



Certification

We would love to congratulate the below individuals for their amazing achievement of obtaining either the CPCS or CPMSM certification.

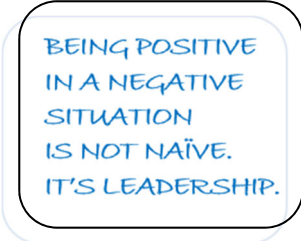
Melissa Worlie from Allina Health CVO – CPCS

Thinking about becoming certified?

- **CPCS:** The Certified Provider Credentialing Specialist (CPCS) is typically employed or contracted by a healthcare organization including, but not limited to, hospitals (health systems), health plans, ambulatory care settings, group practices, and credentialing verification organizations.
- **CPMSM:** The Certified Professional Medical Services Management (CPMSM) is typically employed or contracted by a healthcare organization including, but not limited to, hospitals (health systems), health plans, ambulatory care settings, group practices, or credentialing verification organizations.

Testing Period:

- Spring Testing Period
Application Deadline – Monday, January 14, 2022
Final Application Deadline (with late fee) – Friday, February 04, 2022
Testing Period – Saturday, March 05 through Saturday, March 26, 2022
- Summer Testing Period
Application Deadline – Friday, April 22, 2022
Final Application Deadline (with late fee) – Friday, May 20, 2022
Testing Period – Saturday, June 18 through Saturday, July 09, 2022
- Fall Testing Period
Application Deadline – Friday, July 29, 2022
Final Application Deadline (with late fee) – Friday, August 19, 2022
Testing Period – Saturday, September 24 through Saturday, September 15, 2022



Certification Continued...

Once approved to take the exam, candidates will receive a scheduling email from NAMSS' exam administrator, Scantron. Notice to Schedule emails are sent to approved candidates 30 days prior to the start of a testing window. Candidates will select a specific date, time, and location within their approved window. Exams are administered at local testing centers across the country. For a listing of potential testing cities, visit the [Scantron website](#).

For more information about becoming certified, click [here](#).

Background Studies

The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) has begun the process to resume the fingerprint-based background studies. DHS will move in stages with the various groups that require the studies and will need to have everyone fully compliant by July 2, 2022. The target start date for Hospitals to resume the fingerprint studies is October 6. At that time all new providers will be required to get fingerprinted, if applicable. Existing providers that have emergency studies will be asked at a later time to become compliant with the fingerprinting requirement and will have until July 2, 2022 to do so. In addition, a new vendor (IDEMIA) will be providing the fingerprinting and photo services, and will require the provider to complete a pre-enrollment process via an email link.

For more information, check out these links from DHS:

Transition from emergency studies to full compliance: [Transition to full compliance / Minnesota Department of Human Services \(mn.gov\)](#)

FAQs on transition to IDEMIA (new fingerprinting vendor): [Idemia transition / Minnesota Department of Human Services \(mn.gov\)](#)

What's new: [Transition to full compliance / Minnesota Department of Human Services \(mn.gov\)](#)

Referral Program

Refer a friend, co-worker or supervisor and received a \$10 Gift Card to Target, Amazon or BestBuy for EACH new member referral.

**** MUST be a new member to MAMSS with paid membership.**



Medical Staff Services Awareness Week



<https://www.namss.org/Advocacy/-MSPWeek>

Fall Recipe – Pecan Bars with Shortbread Crust

For the Crust:

1 ½ Cups of butter
1 egg
2 tsp vanilla extract
½ tsp salt
4 tsp orange zest
3 1/3 cups of all-purpose flour

For the Topping:

½ cup of flour
1/3 cup honey
Pinch of salt
1 tbsp heavy cream
½ tsp vanilla extract
3 ½ cups of raw pecan halves



Instructions:

Beat the ingredients together for the shortbread then roll out the dough to ½ inch and press into the pan.

Press the dough into the pan. Be sure the pan is sprayed well with baking spray. Then prick the dough all over with a fork.

Bake the crust at 350F for 25-30 mins or until golden brown around the edges.

Mix together the pecan filling. Toss well to coat pecans on all sides.

Transfer the pecan filling to top of the shortbread crust. Spread evenly across the pan.

Bake and allow bars to cool completely.

Halloween Pet Costume Contest

Make sure to send us a picture of your pet in their Halloween costume by the end of the date on November 01, 2021. The board will vote for its winner – the winner receiving a gift card to Target, Amazon, or Best Buy.



We're on the Web!

<http://www.namss.org/About/StateAssociationWebsites/MinnesotaAssociationMedicalStaffServices.aspx>

Check us out on Facebook!

<http://m.facebook.com/MNassociationofmedicalstaffservices/>

@MNassociationofmedicalstaffservices

We're on LinkedIn!

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/18262869/>