



## **MISSION**

To enhance the delivery and quality of urologic care through education and advocacy for patients and physicians.

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Thank you to our outgoing President, Paul Kozlowski, for two outstanding years under his leadership. Dr. Kozlowski added the Pediatric Urology and Public Relations chairs to the Executive board and led the first WSUS-hosted ZERO Prostate Cancer Run/Walk which we are hosting again this year. During his presidency, treasury has nearly doubled allowing the WSUS to provide more programs to our members and services to our communities across the state while also allowing the WSUS to maintain the same annual dues. Further, membership has grown by 6% over the past two years.

Our annual WSUS meeting was a great success this June. New this year was the ability to receive CME credit (15.5 hours of category 1 credits) which included the required one time *6-hour Training in Suicide Care for Physicians* and one time hour-long *training in Opioid Prescribing*. Guest speakers included Emily Studebaker, JD, presenting on Contracting Issues Affecting the Practice of Urology, and Dr. Juanita Hodax on Caring for the Transgender in Urology as well as Mark Painter giving his annual update on Coding and Reimbursement.

Mark your calendar and join up for the [ZERO Prostate Cancer Run/Walk \(Saturday, September 28, 2019 at Willis Tucker Park in Snohomish\)](#). The WSUS is the local Host Sponsor. Tell your staff and your patients and join us in the fight against prostate cancer.

Jonathan L Wright, MD

## **ADVOCACY Update**

WSUS leads gubernatorial proclamation request for September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month:

The Washington State Urology Society has formally requested Governor Inslee to proclaim September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month and received additional support for this effort from [US Too International](#), [ZERO-The End of Prostate Cancer](#), and the [National African American Male Wellness Walk Initiative](#).

[ACS Advocacy Update - Physician Payment; Surprise/Unanticipated Billing; Firearm Violence](#)

[LEGAL ALERT provided by Emily Studebaker JD: Washington's Balance Billing Protection Act: Is Your ASC Prepared?](#)

## **MEMBERSHIP ENGAGEMENT**

- [Women's Health Chair announces Fall Leadership Event and Hands-on Team Builder](#)

## **UROLOGY CONFERENCE CORNER**

- [Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network](#)

## **OUTREACH**

- [Your society partners with National African American Male Wellness Initiatives and Wahl's Grooming Tour](#)
- WSUS hosted ZERO Prostate Cancer Run/Walk for 2<sup>nd</sup> year. Not too late to REGISTER or DONATE to your favorite team. Excitement is growing as we heard The Seattle Seahawk's *BLUE THUNDER* may be making an appearance to add to all the excitement on Saturday, September 28th.

[www.zeroprostatecancerrun.org/PUGETSOUND](http://www.zeroprostatecancerrun.org/PUGETSOUND)

**Largest urology practice teams** to date for the September 28<sup>th</sup> race are:

1<sup>st</sup> place = Virginia Mason *Flow Riders*

2<sup>nd</sup> place = Frankel, Reed and Evans' *The Flow Must Go On*

3<sup>rd</sup> place = Swedish Urology Group's *Urine Good Hands*

**Top fundraising urologists** to date:

1<sup>st</sup> place = Jim Porter MD

2<sup>nd</sup> place = Scott VanAppledorn MD

3<sup>rd</sup> place = Marco Salazar MD

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It's not too late to join the following urology practices for the September 28<sup>th</sup> Run/Walk benefiting the fight against prostate cancer. (If you live outside of the area, contact Debi Johnson concerning starting a virtual team to raise awareness for prostate cancer in your specific community.)

- U.W. *IPCR Racers*
- *Team Evergreen @ Halvorsen Cancer Center*
- Frankel, Reed and Evans' *The Flow Must Go On*
- Swedish Urology Group's *Urine Good Hands*
- Virginia Mason's *Flow Riders*
- *Washington Urology and Urogynecology*

## **SAVE THE DATES**

### **September 10, 2019**

WSUS Quarterly Board Meeting

6:30 pm

Seattle, WA

### **September 23, 2019**

6:00pm-8:00pm

WSUS Urology Community Roundtable

Taverna Tagaris, Richland, WA

### **September 28, 2019**

WSUS hosted ZERO Prostate Cancer

Run/Walk & Superhero Kids Dash for

Dads

Willis Tucker Park, Snohomish, WA

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### **October 2, 2019**

WSUS Women in Urology Leadership

Team Building Event

The Hot Stove Society

### **October 13-14, 2019**

AACU Annual Meeting

The Willard Hotel, Washington DC

### **November 2-7, 2019**

AUA Western Section Annual Meeting

The Portola Hotel and Monterey

Conference Center

Monterey, CA

### **November 4, 2019**

WSUS Social Hour at WSAUA 4:00-

5:00pm

The Portola Hotel and Monterey

Conference Center

Monterey, CA (Cottonwood Room)

### **December 3, 2019**

WSUS Quarterly Board Meeting @ 6:30

pm

Seattle, WA

### **January 10, 2020**

Puget Sound Urology Residents

Collaborative Annual Meeting

Hotel Murano: Tacoma, WA

**January 11, 2020**

WSUS Annual Strategic Planning  
Session  
Redmond, WA

**January 30, 2020**

WSUS Annual Legislative Day  
Olympia, WA

**February 8-9, 2020**

NWUS Annual Meeting  
Vancouver, BC

**May 15-18, 2020**

AUA Annual Meeting  
Walter E. Washington Convention  
Center  
Washington, DC

**June 26-28, 2020**

WSUS Annual Meeting  
Sleeping Lady Mountain Resort  
Leavenworth, WA

**June 25-27, 2021**

WSUS Annual Meeting  
The Couer d'Alene Resort  
Couer d'Alene, ID



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