

WSUS News

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MISSION

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

[Renew your dues today online](#)

The WSUS Website (<http://www.wsus.org/>) has now been updated to take dues renewal and new member registration on line.

PLEASE renew your membership today! All dues invoices have been sent electronically to practice administrators or to individual physicians and allied members when directed.

SAVE THE DATES

*Additional information including links for registrations and hotel reservations can be found on our website www.oregonurologicalsociety.org

May 2, 2018

WSUS Quarterly Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
Seattle, WA

May 18-21, 2018

AUA Annual Meeting
San Francisco, CA

June 29-July 1, 2018

WSUS Annual Meeting
Sleeping Lady Mountain Resort
Leavenworth, WA

September 5, 2018

WSUS Quarterly Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Seattle, WA

September 16-17, 2018

AACU Annual Meeting
The Willard Hotel, Washington DC

September 29, 2018

OUS hosted **ZERO Prostate Cancer Run/Walk & Superhero Kids Dash for Dads**
Snohomish, WA

December 5, 2018

WSUS Quarterly Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
Seattle, WA

February 8-10, 2019

NWUS Annual Meeting
Virginia Mason Medical Center
Seattle, Washington

WSUS NEWS RECAP

(Expanded information found on our website under "News")

President's Message

It has been such an honor to be your president over this last year. I'd like to, again, thank and acknowledge the accomplishments and hard work of immediate past president, Jeff Evans. As you read this newsletter I feel you will be impressed on the skill, energy level and passion of all our board members. A complete listing of our executive board with their responsibilities can be found on the website www.wsus.org/about. My platform as president of the WSUS is to build on the great work of Jeff Evans and continue branding the WSUS mission with a focus on awareness of the organization and membership engagement. Increasing awareness of the organization not only to the urologic community in Washington State but to their patients as well.

Paul Kozlowski MD's complete message is found on our website under the "News" tab.



[Annual Meeting and Membership Retreat June 29 – July 1st in Leavenworth](#)

The meeting will kick off Friday with a urology practice administrator bonus session

Featured speakers include:

<u>Barbara Khozam</u>	Barbara Khozam, Inc.
Kathryn Kolan, JD	WSMA Director, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs
<u>Ketul Patel</u>	CEO, CHI Franciscan Health Senior VP, Divisional Operations Catholic Health Initiatives

Natalie Johnson Performance Coach, Human Performance Institute

Mark Painter	Co-Founder, Physician Reimbursement Systems
Daniel Warren, MD	Anesthesiologist, VM Anesthesiology Pain Clinic

Conference topics to include:

- Improving patient experience and outcomes through staff engagement
- Noridian update and MACRA best practices
- Urology practice administration hot topics including how to manage millennials and empower employees
- 2018 Provider and Patient Protection Initiatives
- AUA and AACU health policy update
- **KEYNOTE:** The Vision and Current State of Medicine in Washington (Ketul Patel)
- Urology hot topics including the transgender community – the role, responsibility and future for urologists
- Opioid epidemic solutions (what are anesthesiologists doing and how can urologists be part of the solution)
- Performance at Your Best When it Matters Most – Increase resiliency and avoid burnout with the corporate athlete approach
- **NEW** – Women in Urology breakout event
- 2018 Urology Coding Update

[ZERO Prostate Cancer Run on September 29th to be hosted by WSUS](#)

Join members of the society and community in raising awareness for prostate cancer in your local communities and celebrate your efforts with the September 29th Run/Walk and Superhero Kids Dash for Dads. Urology practices in Washington are beginning to create their teams. The first one registered is the “Flow Riders”. Net proceeds are used for community outreach, education, advocacy, patient support services and research.

More information about ZERO-The End of Prostate Cancer and the Run/Walk can be found on our website under the “NEWS” tab

[WSUS Welcomes New Chair for Pediatric Urology – Kathryn Kieran MD](#)

[WSUS Welcomes 2 New Members at Large for the society executive board](#)

[Government Affairs Chairman Report](#)

The WSUS is actively involved in health care advocacy for you and your patients. Over the last year we have participated or created events that are germane to protecting your ability to practice high quality and efficient urological care both on a national and statewide basis including our 2nd Annual WSUS Legislative Summit in Olympia.

Dr. Jeff Frankel’s complete report is found on our website under the “News” tab.

[Carrier Advisory Report](#)

CERT (Comprehensive Error Rate Testing) which tracks the improper payment rate nationally is 10.2% Shout out to Washington with an error rate of 4.0%! The WSUS CAC Liaison, Carleen Bensen MD, attended the Coding and Reimbursement Committee meeting in DC in addition represented the WSUS at the Advocacy Summit in March along with Drs. Frankel and Lendvay.

Dr. Carleen Bensen's complete report is found on our website under the "News" tab.

[Women's Health Chair Report](#)

Happy to announce the first member of the Women's Health Committee, Suzette Sutherland MD.

Please contact the society if you would like to join in this committee led by chairwoman, Una Lee MD.

Save the date and plan to attend the Annual WSUS meeting **June 29-July 1, 2018**. This year, it's a different weekend than it normally is. The program will be a mix of important health care topics and I'm planning a special Women in Urology breakout reception on Saturday for all of us.

Dr. Una Lee's complete report is found on our website under the "News" tab.

[WSUS launches NEW website under the direction of NEW Informatics Chair](#)

Take a look at the new website and let us know what you think. Your feedback will be presented at the next WSUS executive board meeting on May 2nd.

www.wsus.org

[Free Collection Tip](#)