

The Florida State University College of Medicine and College of Law



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The Center for Innovative Collaboration in Medicine and Law
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Conference Sessions

- **Session One**

Was There, and Is There Now, “A Medical Malpractice Crisis” in Florida?

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How Does the Medical Malpractice Environment Impact the Preparation and Development of the Next Generation of Health Care Professionals? Dealing With the “Hidden Curriculum”

The Future of Medical Malpractice Law in Florida

February 9, 2015

FSU Alumni Center

This program will describe and critically analyze the current legal system in Florida for handling allegations that substandard care provided by a physician or other health care professional injured a patient. We will examine the positive and negative impacts of the current legal system on the way that medicine is practiced. We will identify and discuss the pros and cons of potential modifications to the current legal system and their likely effects on medical practice.

Learning Objectives

- Define and understand the meaning of the concept of a “medical malpractice crisis” regarding litigation and liability, particularly recently and presently in Florida
- Identify and appreciate the psychological, economic, and clinical implications of defensive medicine and risk management
- Evaluate the pros and cons of potential changes in, or alternatives to, the current medical malpractice system in Florida
- Understand how the current legal environment influences the preparation of the next generation of physicians and other health care professionals

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CONFERENCE DETAILS

Audience

This course is designed for physicians, attorneys, nurses, social workers, psychologists, and others with an interest in continuing education in health policy, legal medicine, health care ethics, and health care financing. Members of the public are also welcome to register and attend.

Accreditation

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education through the joint providership of the Medical Educational Council of Pensacola (MECOP), the Florida State University College of Medicine and the Florida Bioethics Network. MECOP is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The **Medical Educational Council of Pensacola** designates this live activity for a maximum of **6 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]**. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Applications for six credit hours have been *submitted* for attorneys (including Ethics), nurses, social workers, and psychologists.

Social Work **C**ontinuing **E**ducation **U**nits (CEU) programs are planned in accordance with meeting the criteria set forth and approved for licensure renewal as outlined in the Florida Statutes and by Chapter 491 Licensure Board. This workshop is approved for and offers 6 contact hours for clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists and mental health counselors.

Registration

Registration is free for participants **NOT** seeking Continuing Education Credit. Payment of the registration fee **is** required for all participants seeking Continuing Education Credit.

Disclosure and Conflict of Interest Resolution

All conflicts of interest of any individual(s) in a position to control the content of this activity will be identified and resolved prior to this educational activity being provided. Disclosure about provider and faculty relationships, or the lack thereof, will be provided to learners.

Location

FSU Alumni Center
1030 West Tennessee Street
Tallahassee, FL 32304

Directions from:

I-10 East to the Alumni Center

1. Exit off I-10 East at EXIT 196 toward the REGIONAL AIRPORT
2. Turn LEFT onto US-90 E/ W TENNESSEE ST/ FL -10 E
3. Make a U-Turn at N WOODWARD AVE onto W TENNESSEE ST/ US-90 W
4. The Alumni Center, 1030 W Tennessee Street, is on the RIGHT

I-10 West to the Alumni Center

1. Exit off I-10 West at EXIT 209A toward TALLAHASSEE
2. Travel into Tallahassee for 9.5 miles
3. 1030 W TENNESSEE STREET, The Alumni Center, is on the RIGHT

Further Information

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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Program

8:15 AM **Registration and Refreshments**

8:45 AM **Welcoming Remarks**

9:00 AM **Session 1**

Was There, and Is There Now, “A Medical Malpractice Crisis” in Florida?

Moderator: *Marshall B. Kapp, J.D., M.P.H.
(FSU College of Medicine)*

Panelists: *William Bell, J.D. (General Counsel,
Florida Hospital Association)
Dana Brooks, J.D. (Barrett, Fasig &
Brooks)
William Large, J.D. (Florida Justice
Reform Institute)*

10:30 AM **Break**

10:40 AM **Session 2**

Health Care Providers’ Perceptions of Law and the Legal System: Psychological, Economic, and Clinical Implications of Defensive Medicine and Risk Management

Moderator: *Les Beitsch, M.D., J.D. (FSU College of
Medicine)*

Panelists: *Riley Allen, J.D. (Riley Allen Law)
Patricia Born, Ph.D. (FSU College of
Business)
Ken Brummel-Smith, M.D. (FSU
College of Medicine)
Alfredo Paredes, M.D. (Tallahassee
Plastic Surgery Clinic)*

12:10 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **SESSION 3**

Can We Do Better? Potential Changes in, or Alternatives to, the Current Malpractice System

Moderator: *Marshall B. Kapp, J.D., M.P.H.
(FSU College of Medicine)*

Panelists: *Tamara Demko, J.D., M.P.H. (Florida
TaxWatch Center for Health & Aging)
Stephen Ecenia, J.D. (Rutledge Ecenia,
NICA)
Mel Hartsfield, M.D., J.D. (V.P. Medical
Affairs Archbold Hospital)
Ray Moseley, Ph.D. (University of Florida
Programs in Bioethics, Law and Medical
Professionalism)*

2:30 PM **Break**

2:40 PM **SESSION 4**

How Does the Medical Malpractice Environment Impact the Preparation and Development of the Next Generation of Health Care Professionals? Dealing With the “Hidden Curriculum”

Moderator: *Greg Turner, Ph.D. (FSU College of
Medicine, Faculty Development)*

Panelists: *Suzanne Collins, J.D., M.P.H., Ph.D.
(University of Tampa Department of
Nursing)
Ron Hartsfield, M.D. (FSU College
of Medicine, Tallahassee Regional Campus)
Karen Myers, ARNP (FSU College of
Medicine, Family Medicine & Rural Health)
Greg Todd, M.D., J.D. (FSU Internal
Medicine Residency Program)*

4:10 PM **Evaluation and Adjourn**

6 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits TM

REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete the entire form.

Name _____

Degree(s) _____

Title _____

Organization _____

Specialty _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Email _____

Phone (____) _____

Course Tuition:

Non CE credit registration. Check here ____.
Cost: Free, but registration required.

CE Credit Registration (by February 3): \$65

CE Credit Registration (day of): \$90

FSU Med Students and Law Students: Free

*For FSU COM and COL students, please register by February 3. Registration after this date will be based on space available and will not include lunch.

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Tuition includes admission to program sessions, luncheon, refreshment breaks, and course materials.