



Mississippi Association Medical Staff Services

February 2021

We have News for YOU...

From the President....

First and foremost, I would like to express my gratitude for the opportunity to serve as your President. I am so excited to learn from Mechelle Smith, our past President, and work with all of our newly elected board members. They have already been hard at work to make 2021 the best year possible.

I would also like to announce that Bethany Carpenter and Tina Cappie have volunteered to fill the two Member-at-Large positions for 2021. We are so glad to have them as part of our Board.

We are currently planning and scheduling our 2021 annual conference and are working diligently to ensure that our

conference happens, whether in person or virtual. If you have not already done so, please take the time to fill out the 2021 MAMSS Survey that was emailed out to you. This survey will help us better assess the needs of the group and ensure that everyone has the best conference experience possible.

I would also like remind everyone that the \$40 membership renewals are due by April 1st. Membership dues can be paid online at www.mamss.org. By keeping your membership active, you will not only get a discount at the MAMSS annual Conference, but you will also have access to information regarding other opportunities throughout MS and our neighboring states.

If you are not currently a member, I encourage you to consider joining NAMSS. As a member of NAMSS, you join more than 6,000 Medical Staff Professionals and Credentialing Specialists from across the United States, and receive access to valuable networking resources, certification opportunities, and discounts on education offerings.

*Kristin Karrh, CPMSM,
CPCS*

From the Vice-President....

Do you have valuable experience that you would like to share with your colleagues? Are you interested in showcasing your presentation skills? Did you know that both NAMSS and MAMSS give you the opportunity to share this knowledge at the educational conferences?

Currently NAMSS is accepting abstracts for presentation proposals for their 45th Annual Educational Conference. (It will be in New Orleans this year!) Proposal submissions must be received by Friday, February 26, 2021 to be considered. Go to the NAMSS website for more information at <https://www.namss.org/Education/Call-for-Abstracts>.

At MAMSS, we are looking for speakers for our 2021 Annual Conference. Please submit your topic ideas and/or presentations to Monica Martin at monica.martin@bmhcc.org. You do not have to have extensive speaking experience and we would love to hear from you.

Monica Martin, CPCS

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MAMSS...

The purpose of MAMSS is to provide a forum for educational activities at a local level. The mission of MAMSS is to provide the opportunity for

continuing education, to promote the improvement of professional knowledge and skills by uniting persons who are engaged in medical staff activities through this State Association, and to support the mission of the National Association of Medical Staff Services.

NAMSS...

NAMSS is committed to enhancing the professional development of and recognition for professionals in the medical staff and credentialing services field.

The NAMSS membership includes more than 6,000 medical staff and credentialing services professionals from medical group practices, hospitals, managed care organizations, and CVOs. Through our education, advocacy, and commitment to patient safety, NAMSS continues to support Medical Staff Professionals, our members, and the healthcare industry.

Upcoming NAMSS Continuing Education Opportunities

**Virtual CPCS Certification
Prep Course**

Tuesdays March 2 – March 23

**Virtual CPMSM Certification
Prep Course**

Wednesdays March 10 –
March 31

Credentialing 101

Mondays March 22 – April 26

**Leadership Certificate
Program**

Wednesdays April 7 – May 5

For more course information
go to:

<https://www.namss.org/Education/NAMSS-Education-Month>

2021 Exam Dates

Summer Testing Period:

*Application Deadline – Friday,
April 30, 2021*

Testing Period – Saturday, June
26 through Saturday, July 17,
2021

Fall Testing Period:

*Application Deadline – Friday,
August 27, 2021*

Testing Period – Saturday,
October 23 through Saturday,
November 13, 2021

**THE MAMSS Board is
here for you. Please
let us know how we
can assist you.**