

# Med-A-Scoop

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Hello ISMA Members,

**HAPPY SUMMER!**

I hope you have been enjoying the spring/summer weather.

I would like to thank all the 2020-2021 officers, committee chairs, and directors for a great year.

We had our Annual Board Meeting virtual on Saturday April 24, 2021, and was very happy with 35 members attending this meeting. If you attended the meeting, I would love to know your thoughts.

We will be having our June 12th workshop and board meeting virtual again. Things are improving and we are working to see if we can meet face to face in August.

Mark your calendars for the 2022 State Conference to be held April 22 -24, 2022. St. Joseph District is hosting this conference and they have advised more information to follow.

Remember this is your organization and together we can “Soar to New Heights”.

Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA)  
ISMA 2021-2022 President



*May/June 2021*

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## Medical Assistant Creed

I believe in the principles and purposes of the profession of medical assisting.  
I endeavor to be more effective.  
I aspire to render greater service.  
I protect the confidence entrusted to me.  
I am dedicated to the care and well-being of all people.  
I am loyal to my employer.  
I am true to the ethics of my profession.  
I am strengthened by compassion, courage, and faith.



## Indiana State Medical Assistants Code of Ethics

E is for Endeavor in our duties  
T is for Truthfulness in all we do  
H is for Helpfulness to others  
I is for Integrity in our work  
C is for courteous treatment to all  
S is for sincerity in our purpose  
Put them all together they spell ETHICS, A WORD  
WE MUST UPHOLD TO ATTAIN OUR GOAL.

J. Marie Theobald Wilhite



## ISMA Physician Advisors

### 2021-2022

Jeff Stidam, M.D.  
Jewish Hospital Louisville, KY  
3 years

William Pond, MD  
Anesthesiologist  
Fort Wayne, IN  
2 years

Kristi Peck, M.D.  
Evansville Surgical Associates  
Evansville, IN  
1 year

## ISMA Honorary Members

1980 Herbert Dixon\*  
1997 Bruce Johnson  
Hubert Irwin\*  
2008 Earl Williams\*  
2013 Jack Begley  
Kathy Heck

## ISMA Life Members

1992 Bonnie Reidenbach, CMA-AC\*  
1994 Patricia Kennington, RN, CMA\*  
2005 Eva Irwin, CMA\*  
2011 Eulah Dearing, CMA (AAMA)  
2012 June Brown, RMA  
2015 Tammy Daily, CMA (AAMA)  
2018 Marjorie Mikesell, CMA  
(AAMA)

\*Denotes Deceased



## Leon Levi Award Recipients

1988 Patricia Kennington, RN, CMA\*  
Jane Seelig, CMA-A  
Pauline Pinnick, CMA  
1990 Bonnie Reidenbach, CMA-AC\*  
1991 Bettye Yard, CMA-C\*  
1998 Norma Harmon, CMA  
2001 Eva Irwin, CMA\*  
2002 Eulah Dearing, CMA  
2010 Marjorie Mikesell, CMA  
2013 Tammy Daily, CMA (AAMA)  
2014 Sandra Johnson, MS, CMA (AAMA),  
CPC  
2016 Rita Michel, CMA (AAMA)  
2019 Pam Neu, CMA (AAMA), MBA

## Golden Apple Recipients

2000 Eva Irwin, CMA\*  
2003 Sandra Johnson, MS, CMA (AAMA), CPC  
2004 Nancy Measell, CMA  
2005 Cindy Abel, BS, CMA  
2006 Pam Neu, CMA (AAMA), MBA  
2009 Jennifer Weathers, CMA (AAMA)  
2010 Rita Michel, CMA (AAMA)  
2012 Nina Thierer, CM A (AAMA)  
2019 Sherry Braye, CMA (AAM), BS

\*Denotes Deceased

## ISMA Mission Statement:

The Indiana Society of Medical Assistants, in affiliation with the American Association of Medical Assistants, strives to:

- Promote professional growth of and identify its membership through education and credentialing
- Inspire members to provide honest, loyal and efficient service to the public they serve and the proficient:
- Stimulate a feeling of fellowship and cooperation with the medical profession in improving public relations;
- Encourage and assist medical assistants in forming component chapters.

## State Officers:

### President

Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA)  
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JUNE 12, 2021  
ISMA Virtual Workshop  
3 CEUs  
FREE TO AAMA MEMBERS  
12:00 Noon to 3:00 p.m.  
EASTERN TIME

Speaker: James Ginder, MS, NREMT, PI, CHES, NCEE, PAI  
Health Education Specialist, Hamilton County  
Testicular Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment  
Tattoo Pros and Cons

Email registration information by Noon, 6/09/21  
to [janeseelig@att.net](mailto:janeselig@att.net)

**If you do not get a response, registration request was not received!**

The link will be emailed to you prior to 5/12/2021  
and after the registration deadline.

**PLEASE EMAIL THE FOLLOWING (same as the AAMA Attendance Form)**

**Please do not complete and attach form to email**

**AAMA Member:** ID number (maximum 6 digits)

**NOT** your AAMA Certification number which is 7 digits long!

**Credential:** CMA (AAMA), CMA, RMA, CCMA, MA, Other

**Full Name:** First Name Middle Initial Last Name

**Mailing Address:** Street City State Zip Code

**Home Email address:** work email may block information sent to multiple people as spam

**Cell phone number** with area code – so we can reach you if there is an email problem

**Non-Members must pay in advance to obtain the link**

\$20.00 by check (issue to ISMA) mail to Jane Seelig, 2905 Two Worlds Dr, Columbus, IN 47201

\$25.00 by PayPal, Venmo, email [janeseelig@att.net](mailto:janeselig@att.net) to obtain the invoice to make payment

**EMAIL THE NEEDED INFORMATION to**  
**[janeseelig@att.net](mailto:janeselig@att.net) no later than**  
**Noon June 9, 2021 to receive 3 CEU's**  
**DEADLINE IS FIRM, NO EXCEPTIONS**

**INDIANA SOCIETY OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS**  
**65<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**  
**ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**  
**April 24, 2021**  
**WEBEX MEETING**

- Call to Order** President Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA), called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm.
- Pledge of Allegiance** Led by President Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA).
- Invocation** Chaplain Joyce Edds, CMA (AAMA), CPT (ASPT), opened up our meeting in prayer.
- Medical Assistant Creed** Vice President Dianne Wimsett, CMA (AAMA), read the creed.
- Introductions** President Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA), had all officers introduce themselves.
- Credentials Report** Jane Seelig, CMA-A (AAMA), gave the credentials report. There were 35 registered, a voting power of 35, quorum of 18, a majority of 18 and a 2/3 vote of 24.
- Changes to the Agenda** Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA), President – none.
- Timekeeper** Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA), President - If needed Karen Pershing will be the timekeeper.
- Correspondence** Marjorie Mikesell, CMA (AAMA), shared the following information that came in from correspondence.  
Deb Novak, CMA (AAMA), CPC, who is Speaker of the House said that Indiana has 1,568 active members as of 8/21/2020, and we are allowed to have six delegates at the National Conference in Texas.  
Debbie Houston, CMA (AAMA), CPC, President of the AAMA, sent a letter out because of Volunteer Week thanking everyone for serving during the current health care crisis and for their commitment and dedication.
- Report of the Annual Meeting Minutes Audit Committee**  
Pam Neu, CMA (AAMA), MBA, will present this report at the next meeting.
- Presentation of Bills** None.
- Report of the Financial Audit Committee**  
See page 20 and 21 in the Conference booklet for the Audit Reports.  
Correction on page 20 – CD 70408 take off the 7 and it should be 0408.
- Nominating Committee Report**  
Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA) read the report from Tammy Daily, CMA (AAMA). The slate of nominated officers for the 2021-2022 business year will remain the same as they are this year.
- Nominations from the floor**  
Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA), President asked if we had any nominations from the floor and with none, she called for a vote to accept the slate of officers for the 2021-2022 business year. All voted “aye” and none opposed.

## Election Results

President:	Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA)
Vice President:	Dianne Wimsett, CMA (AAMA)
Recording Secretary:	Heidi Sisson, CMA (AAMA)
Treasurer:	Paula Schubert, CMA (AAMA), CPT (IAPS)
Med-A-Scoop & Website Manager	Pam Neu, CMA (AAMA), MBA

## Unfinished Business

### Adoption of Proposed Budget

Marjorie Mikesell, CMA (AAMA), moved that we adopt the ISMA Budget for 2021-2022 and Joyce Edds, CMA (AAMA), CPT (ASPT), seconded it. Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA), called for a vote and everyone voted aye.

### 2022 ISMA Annual Conference Report

April 22-24, 2022, at Holiday Inn in Mishawaka being hosted by the St. Joseph District.

### 2023 ISMA Annual Conference Report

April 21-23, 2023, at Edinburgh Hilton Garden Inn in Edinburgh being hosted by the East Central District.

### CD Status

Rita Michel, CMA (AAMA), said this is on hold for right now. The financial advisor suggested we not be in a hurry. She hopes to have more information at our June meeting.

### Physician Advisory Board

Dr. Jeff Stidam has agreed to be on the board for a three-year term.

## New Business

### Election of AAMA Delegates (6) and Alternate (1)

Jeni Begley, CMA (AAMA), moved we select the following as delegates and alternate and Rita Michel, CMA (AAMA), seconded it and all voted aye.

The following were approved to serve as delegates and alternate.

#### Delegates:

Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA)  
Dianne Wimsett, CMA (AAMA)  
Jane Seelig, CMA-A (AAMA)  
Paula Schubert, CMA (AAMA), CPT (IAPS)  
Jeni Begley, CMA (AAMA)  
Katja (Kit) Stine, CMA (AAMA)

#### Alternate:

Tammy Daily, CMA (AAMA)

Members planning to attend the AAMA Conference in Houston Texas -  
Let Karen know via email if you will be attending.

**Payment for Workshops:**

Workshop attendance for members will continue to be free at this time and non-members will need to pay \$20 by check or \$25 online with PayPal or Venmo.

**Announcements**

Med-A-Scoop Deadline is May 10, 2021.

Next Meeting is June 12, 2021 – Virtual Meeting on WebEx

Executive Meeting 10:30 am

Education Worship 12:00 – 3:00 pm

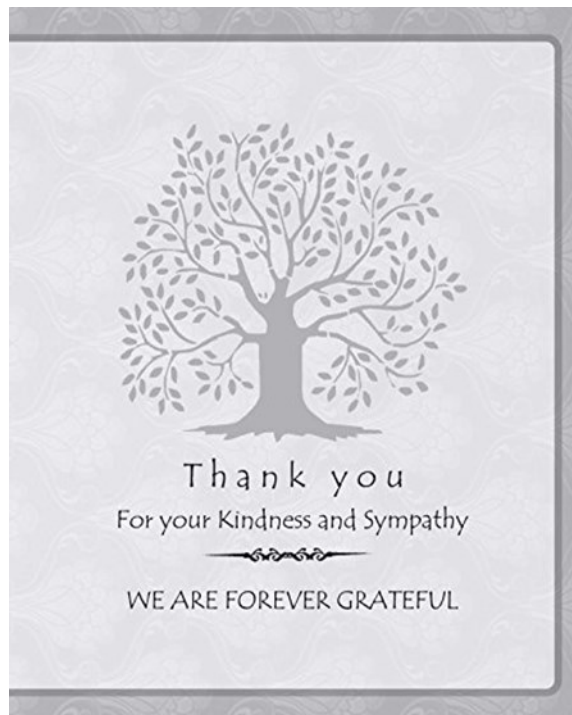
Registration for Business Meeting 3:15 pm

Business Meeting 3:30 pm

**Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 3:46 pm.

Heidi Sisson, CMA (AAMA)

Recording Secretary



Thanks to all of you who sent cards for the death of my sister, Audrey. Some of you even attended the visitation, and we were greatly touched by that as it meant traveling to western Kentucky. Our ISMA family is dear to us and we appreciate you.

**Sandy and Bruce Johnson**



## ISMA CODING CORNER

In the last edition of Med-A-Scoop, I shared unusual diagnostic conditions and codes included in ICD-10-CM that students enjoy researching as they do describe and identify medical conditions and diseases.

- Nuns' knees – M70.4 – prepatellar bursitis of the knees. M70.40 – unspecified knee; M70.41 – right knee; M70.42 – left knee. It was called “nuns knees” because of praying.
- Nutmeg liver – K76.1 – the pathological appearance of the liver caused by chronic passive congestion of the liver secondary to heart failure. The liver appears speckled like a grated nutmeg kernel.
- Punch drunk syndrome – F07.81 – chronic traumatic encephalopathy caused by head trauma. Also called boxer's syndrome as it is common among boxers.
- Furfur – L21.0 – fungal infections, such as seborrheic dermatitis and tinea versicolor, and associated with dandruff. It can also affect animals, such as dogs.
- Clam digger's itch (also referred to as swimmer's itch) – B65.3 – a skin rash caused by an allergic reaction to certain microscopic parasites that infect some birds and animals. The parasites are released from infected snails into fresh and salt water (i.e., lakes, ponds and oceans).
- Nutcracker esophagus (also referred to as corkscrew esophagus) – K22.4 – strong spasms of the esophagus, related to abnormal movement and function of the esophagus, known as motility disorders.
- Electric feet syndrome – E53.8 – We know it as peripheral neuropathy. Symptoms are the feeling of pins and needles or burning in the hands or feet. It can be a stabbing pain caused by plantar fasciitis, nerve damage, or acute injuries. It is a common symptom related to diabetes.
- **And** ICD-10-CM is ready for space travel: Forced landing of a spacecraft crash injuring occupant – V95.42XA.



I hope you have enjoyed the terminology and definitions as much as my students as this information also gives practice in medical terminology, anatomy, and pathology.

Sandra Johnson, MS, CPC, CCS-P, CMA (AAMA)

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Reference: International Classification of Diseases (ICD-10-CM) – 2021 publication



### Have you Downloaded the WebApp?

**Android Phones:** Using Chrome type in the website address: [Insocmedasst.org](http://Insocmedasst.org) hit enter and let the website appear. At the bottom of the screen you should be prompted to “add App to your home screen? Tap on it and watch your new WebApp appear! Every time you go into the Webapp make sure you refresh the page!!

**IPhones:** Using Safari type in the website address: [insocmedasst.org](http://insocmedasst.org) and hit enter. At the bottom of your screen you will see a box with an arrow going up-touch that and scroll over until you see the prompt “add to home screen” tap the words and touch “add” at the top of the screen and watch your WebApp appear. Don’t forget to refresh the page when you go into the webapp!!

This is SO exciting to have the ISMA news at your fingertips!

Share with everyone!

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## 2021-2022 ISMA STATE BOARD MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS

Most State Board Meetings will be held at  
St. Francis Franciscan Health Education Center  
421 N. Emerson Ave  
Greenwood IN 46143  
Or  
Virtual (Zoom or WebEx)



### Meeting Deadline

June 12, 2021  
August 21, 2021  
November 13, 2021  
September 30, 2021 Conference News/Bylaws Updates  
February 12, 2022  
April 22-24, 2022

### Med-A-Scoop Deadline

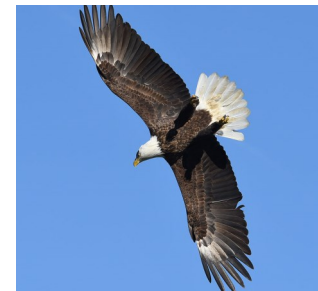
May 10, 2021  
June 21, 2021  
September 18, 2021  
December 17, 2021  
March 5, 2022

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[www.aama-ntl.org](http://www.aama-ntl.org)



### ADDITIONAL DEADLINES

#### **Membership Dues**

**December 31, 2021** to be eligible to vote at ISMA Annual Conference

#### **Medical Assistant of the Year**

Nominations by Chapters to President by **January 1, 2022** and forwarded to Physician Advisors (3) by **February 1, 2022** for judging. Award to be presented at Annual State Conference Banquet.

#### **Leon Levi Award**

Nominations to President by **February 1, 2022** for judging. Award to be presented at Annual State Conference Banquet.

#### **Golden Apple Award**

Nominations to President by **February 1, 2022**. Award to be presented at Annual State Conference Banquet.

#### **Nominating Slate (Officers)**

Slate of Officers to be presented at the **February 13, 2022** State Board Meeting.

**ISMA Board of Directors**  
**June 12, 2021**  
**Virtual Board Meeting**  
**Sign in for Board Meeting 3:15 p.m.**  
**Board Meeting 3:30 p.m.**

<b>Call to Order</b>	Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA), President
<b>Invocation</b>	Joyce Edds, CMA (AAMA), CPT (ASPT), Chaplain
<b>Medical Assistant Creed</b>	Dianne Wimsett, CMA (AAMA), Vice President
<b>Introductions</b>	Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA), President
<b>Credentials Report</b>	Brandi Gaumer, CMA (AAMA), Chair Jane Seelig, CMA A, (AAMA) Virtual ____ registered      ____ voting power      ___7__ quorum      ____ majority      ____2/3
<b>Secretary Report</b>	Heidi Sisson, CMA (AAMA)
<b>Treasurer Report</b>	Paula Schubert, CMA (AAMA), CPT (IAPS)
<b>Presentation of Bills</b>	Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA), President
<b>Correspondence</b>	Marjorie Mikesell, CMA (AAMA), Corresponding Secretary
<b>Officers' Reports</b>	President – Karen Pershing, CMA (AAMA) Vice President – Dianne Wimsett, CMA (AAMA) Secretary – Heidi Sisson, CMA (AAMA) Treasurer – Paula Schubert, CMA (AAMA), CPT (IAPS) Med-A-Scoop/Website – Pam Neu, CMA (AAMA), MBA Immediate Past President – Jane Seelig, CMA-A (AAMA)
<b>Committee Reports</b>	Budget & Finance – Paula Schubert, CMA (AAMA), CPT (IAPS) Bylaws & Stand Rules – Rita Michel, CMA (AAMA) Certification – Marianne Hawker-Green, CMA (AAMA) Continuing Education – Dianne Wimsett, CMA (AAMA) Council of Past Presidents – Jane Seelig, CMA-A (AAMA)

Eva I Irwin CMA (AAMA) Medical Assistant Support Fund –  
Sandra Johnson, MS, CPC, CCS-P, CMA (AAMA)  
Historian – Joyce Edds, CMA (AAMA), CPT(ASPT)  
ISMA Liaison – Tammy Daily, CMA (AAMA)  
Membership – Jane Seelig, CMA-A (AAMA)  
Mentoring – Rita Michel, CMA (AAMA)  
Nominating Committee – Tammy Daily, CMA (AAMA)  
Procedure Manual – Joyce Edds, CMA (AAMA), CPT (ASPT)  
State Conference Guide – Joyce Edds, CMA (AAMA), CPT (ASPT)  
Ways & Means – Sandra Johnson, MS, CPC, CCS-P, CMA (AAMA)

**Committee Reports**

2022 State Conference – Brandi Gaumer, CMA (AAMA)  
2023 State Conference – Jane Seelig, CMA-A (AAMA)

**Chapter Reports**

East District  
First District  
St. Joseph District  
Southeast District  
Twelfth District  
West Central District

**Unfinished Business** Discuss Annual Business Meeting

**New Business** Candidate for AAMA BOT as Trustee

**Announcements** Med-A-Scoop Deadline is June 21, 2021  
Next meeting is August 21, 2021  
State Board Meeting TBA

Are there any other announcements?

**Adjournment**

**Official Newsletter of the  
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**Pam Neu, CMA (AAMA), Editor**



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**Our Workshop and Business Meeting  
for June 12, 2021  
is being held:  
Virtual-WebEx**