

SHCRMNJ Semi-Annual Education & Networking Seminar

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:30 - 8:55AM

Registration & Networking

8:55 - 9:00AM

President's Welcome

9:00 - 10:00AM

Danger Zone! Emergency Department-Hospitalist Medicine Transitions of Care *Michael Gerardi MD*

10:00 - 11:00AM

Update: Bruggletta Supreme Court Decision and Discussion
Anthony Cocca, Esq

11:00 - 12:30PM

Opioid Panel- Insurance Claims and Defense Attorney

12:30 - 1:30PM

Luncheon Speaker
Moving Toward A Standard of Care for Medical Marijuana
Lori Semlies, Esq

1:30 - 2:00PM

NJHA Fall Update
Jonathan Chebra

2:30 - 2:45PM

Wrap Up and Evaluations

Danger Zone! Emergency Department-Hospitalist Medicine Transitions of Care

Michael Gerardi, MD, FAAP, FACEP

Director of Pediatric Emergency Medicine at the Goryeb Children's Hospital



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Dr. Michael Gerardi is the Director of Pediatric Emergency Medicine at the Goryeb Children's Hospital and faculty in the Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellowship and the Residency in Emergency Medicine at Morristown Medical Center in Morristown, New Jersey. He is an Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine at the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine. He obtained his B.S. and M.D. at Georgetown University and completed residencies in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics at Emory University. He is Board Certified in Emergency Medicine, Internal Medicine and Pediatric Emergency Medicine and practices clinically in adult and pediatric emergency medicine.

Over the last two and a half decades, Dr. Gerardi has served on many ACEP Committees and Task Forces including the Medical Legal Committee. He has also served as ACEP Liaison to National Conference of Insurance Legislators and FAIR Health's Physician Advisory Group. He lectures regularly throughout the United States on health policy, emergency medicine practice, pediatric emergency medicine and risk management issues.

New Jersey Hospital Association

Jonathan Chebra

- Update on state-wide initiatives and activities
- Report from organization



Jonathan Chebra

Director of Government Relations and Policy

Jonathan Chebra is the Director of Government Relations and Policy for the New Jersey Hospital Association. Jon advocates on behalf of the association's nearly 400 acute and post-acute members for public policy to better serve their patients.

He works daily with New Jersey legislators and administration officials on legislation and public policy proposals that affect our healthcare and the way it's delivered, always with a goal of expanding coverage and access to high quality care.

Jon previously served as Chief of Staff for Assemblyman Herb Conaway, the Chair of the Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee. During his tenure, he wrote and advanced a number of key healthcare initiatives, including measures expanding access to treatment for chronic diseases and tackling opioid abuse.

Prior to that, he worked for U.S. Senator Frank Lautenberg in his Capitol Hill office, performing many duties including economic policy staffer. Jon has also worked on numerous political campaigns on the local, state and federal levels, and remains politically active in his community.

Moving Toward A Standard of Care for Medical Marijuana

Lori Semlies, Esq.

Partner - Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker, LLP



Lori Semlies, a co-chair of the firm's Medical Malpractice & Health Care practice, focuses on the defense of medical and nursing home malpractice claims in state and federal courts, including all phases of litigation through trial. She has handled appeals in the New York Appellate Division, First and Second Departments, and before the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. As part of her risk management services for clients, Lori frequently lectures at conferences across the country on best practices in documentation in a medical institution. She also assists clients with drafting admission agreements and protocols and helps them manage crisis situations. Lori writes for Wilson Elser's blog "Professional Liability Advocate," available on the firm's website.

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Opioid Panel Discussion



Robert Romeo

Senior Vice President, Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance

Robert Romeo is the Senior Vice President for Healthcare & Casualty Lines at Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance. He has over 20+ years in claims handling and management for numerous lines of business including Hospital, Senior Care, Life Sciences, Managed Care and Pharmacy/Retail risks on a primary, umbrella, excess and reinsurance basis. Robert has responsibility for establishing and ensuring that the BHSI claims team collaborates, coordinates and partners with our customers to obtain favorable outcomes. Prior to joining Berkshire Hathaway Specialty in 2013, he held positions of increasing responsibility at various multinational P&C insurance carriers. Robert received his bachelor's degree from Saint John's University magna cum laude, and his law degree from Brooklyn Law School. He is admitted to practice law in both the New York and New Jersey.



John E. Hall, Jr.

Partner - Hall Booth Smith, P.C.

One of the founding partners of Hall Booth Smith, P.C., John Hall specializes in the defense of high exposure cases, including medical malpractice, construction, commercial litigation, mass torts, transportation, and products liability. During his legal career, he has tried in excess of 100 cases to resolution. His expertise in high exposure birth trauma and catastrophic cases resulted in his being named National Counsel for several major insurance carriers. This National Counsel Program establishes a litigation approach, which enables a team of specialized attorneys to become involved and assist local counsel on high exposure cases at all phases of the legal process.



Daniel R. Crumby

Attorney - Hall Booth Smith, P.C.

Daniel Crumby is an associate in the Atlanta office of Hall Booth Smith. Daniel attended the University of Texas School of Law and he was awarded the Fulbright & Jaworski Scholarship. After law school, Daniel returned to the Army as a Judge Advocate General ("JAG") officer in a variety of assignments. After Daniel resigned from the Army, he joined the United States Attorney's Office in the Western District of Texas, later transferring to the US Attorney's Office in the So. District of Georgia.

His case load included defensive of medical malpractice, premises liability and other tort litigation, labor and employment, tax, bankruptcy and creditor's rights, and civil rights. To further his expertise in the health care industry, Daniel received a Masters in Healthcare Administration from Seton Hall University and is certified in Health Care Compliance by the Health Care Compliance Association.

This live educational program covers current key topics in risk management and patient safety, including work place violence, communication programs and challenges in healthcare, and insurance risks. Risk management challenges and strategies for each topic will be addressed. Networking is encouraged and breakfast and lunch will be served.

Brugaletta and the Patient Safety Act

Anthony Cocca, Esq

- Examination of a medical malpractice case currently under review by the Supreme Court
- Implications of privilege protections of the Patient Safety Act



Anthony Cocca, Esq.

Cocca & Cutinello, LLP Managing Partner

Anthony Cocca has over 23 years of litigation experience - 23 years as an attorney in Morristown with 3 years at Giblin & Combs, then Bubbs, Grogan and Cocca for 17 years and most recently as the founding member of his own law firm, Cocca & Cutinello, also in Morristown. As a Civil Trial Attorney Certified by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, he leads the firm's litigation practice which involves complex Medical & Nursing Malpractice, Nursing Homes, Long-Term Care Facilities, Rehabilitation Facilities, Acute & Sub-Acute Care Facilities, Assisted Living Facilities, ordinary negligence, insurance coverage and hospital law. He has defended medical/nursing malpractice and ordinary negligence lawsuits involving a number of New Jersey's medical malpractice insurance carriers. Mr. Cocca has successfully defended all types of medical and nursing malpractice cases, including, brain-damaged infant cases, wrongful birth, wrongful life, wrongful death, bedsores/decubitus ulcers, falls in healthcare facilities, retained instrument cases, the administration of incorrect medications and blood products, charitable immunity, medical staff credentialing and the Patient Safety Act Privilege.

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