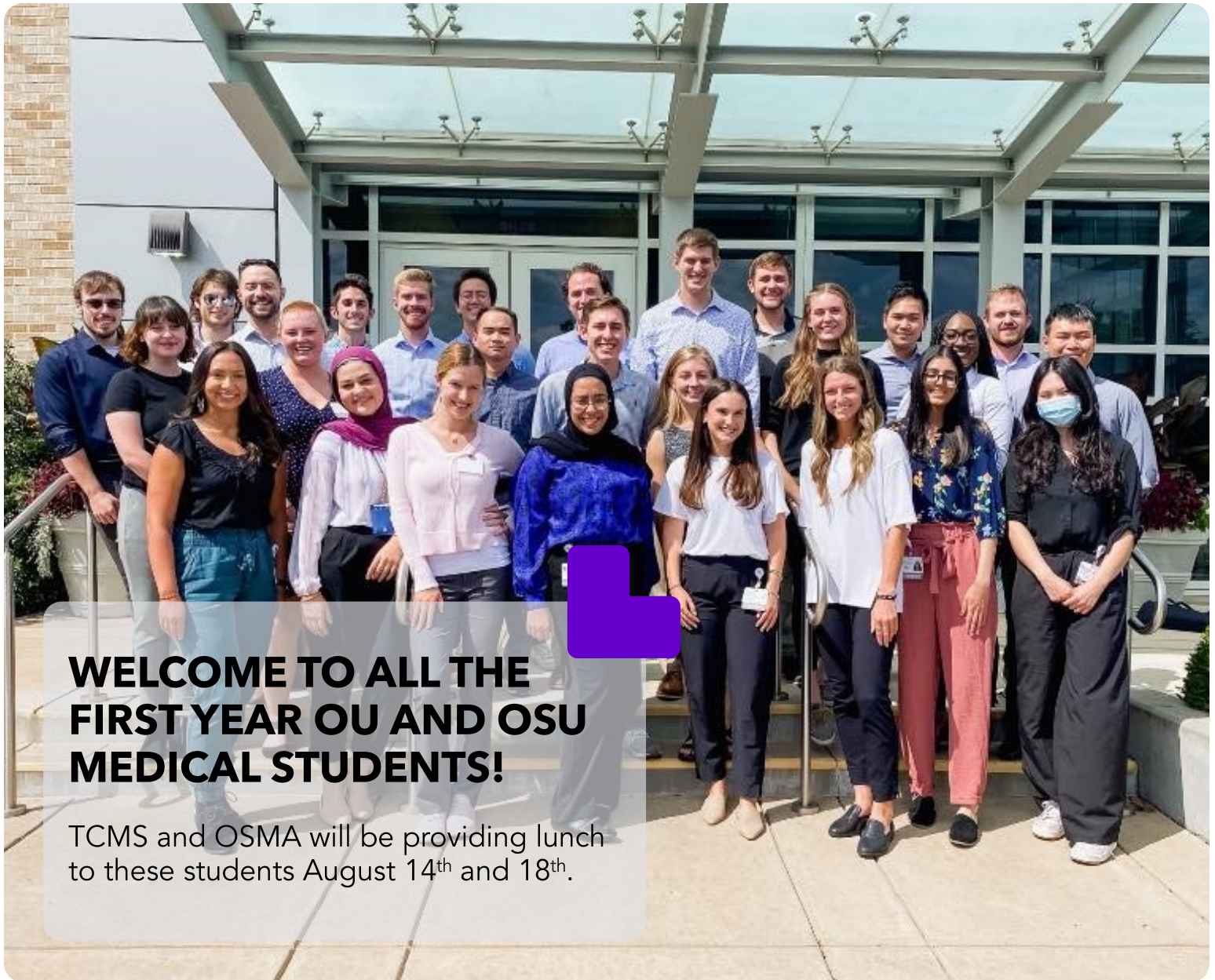


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Tulsa County Medical Society | A Newsletter for the Medical Community

August 2023



WELCOME TO ALL THE FIRST YEAR OU AND OSU MEDICAL STUDENTS!

TCMS and OSMA will be providing lunch to these students August 14th and 18th.

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WOW! We have made it back to August and the beginning of the medical school season. There are so many excited souls anxiously awaiting the start of their journey into the wonderful world of medicine!

This month we will be connecting with the first year medical students at OSU (8/14) and OU-Tulsa (8/18) to introduce and promote membership in TCMS and OSMA. Lunch will be provided. If you are interested in meeting with our newest doctors in training, please contact Mark to RSVP.

Reflecting back on those early days of medical school brings back wistful memories of the excitement that I felt when I entered the lecture halls on the OUHSC – OKC campus. I was SO ready to learn all that I could in order to realize my lifelong dream of becoming a doctor. Throughout the years, I have learned that becoming a physician is not just about taking care of patients, but also about leadership. We are considered leaders in our clinics, hospital, and organizations. We help to solve problems, direct resources, and educate others. It can be a rather daunting task to understand and apply your talents in leadership, but the key is first acknowledging and accepting that you are a leader and that your perspective can help change the course of healthcare in your community, healthcare organization, or state. I strongly encourage each of you to invest in yourself and in the Tulsa and Oklahoma medical communities by considering a leadership role within TCMS and OSMA. If you are not quite ready to make the leap to president, start with becoming a delegate or board member so that you can gain insight into the programs, people, and processes that are instrumental to both organizations. Contact Mark for more information, and/or you may reach out to me and I will gladly give you all the details that you need. ☺

August is also National Eye Exam month. So, if you are haViNg TrrouBle reading this, then maybe you should make an appointment with one of our colleagues in Ophthalmology? Seriously, though, sight (and insight) is crucial to our profession and should never be taken for granted. Go get those glasses, contacts, etc. and be the best

“looking” you ever!!
Speaking of looks...
great looking out:

Thank you for your support of the OSMA’s mission in achieving passage of \$30 million in funding for the mandated statewide Health Information Exchange (HIE) and for successfully lobbying for exemptions to be provided to physicians and other providers through an application process. We are now awaiting the Governor’s signature on the updated emergency rules clarifying participation in the HIE. This demonstrates the power of the collective when striving to do what is in the best interest of healthcare.

As we look forward to the upcoming fall season, please do not let August end without participating in two of my favorite National Days this month: National Book Lovers Day (9th) and National Relaxation Day (15th). If you cannot take off a full day, I suggest you take off one morning and just sit on the porch and listen to the different early morning sounds in your neighborhood. It may lead you to some profound insights about life, love, and happiness.

Also happening in the fall:
Our Member and Volunteer Appreciation Day 2023 will be held at the Tulsa Zoo on Sunday, September 10th from 10am until 2pm. This will be a wonderful opportunity to bring your family out to enjoy food, the zoo, and (hopefully) cooler outside temperatures. It will also give us the opportunity to fellowship with one another in a relaxed environment. Put this on your calendars, make every effort to attend, and I will see you there!

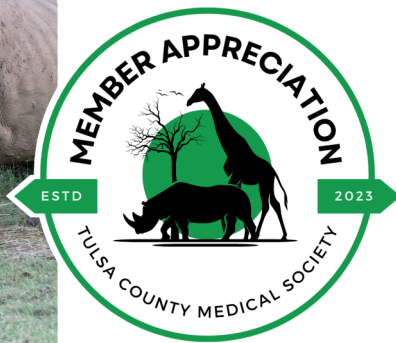
All the best,

Sharon Smallwood
“The smallest things in life can bring the greatest joy and the brightest smile to any face. Be that thing!”



**Sharon C.
Smallwood, M.D.**
TCMS President

APPRECIATION EVENT FOR TCMS MEMBERS AND PROJECT TCMS VOLUNTEERS!



[Click Here to RSVP](#)

Join us at the Tulsa Zoo on Sunday, September 10th, for a TCMS Member and Project TCMS Volunteer Appreciation Event. Tulsa County Medical Society, TCMS Foundation, and Project TCMS would like to say thank you to our members and volunteers by providing a fun day for the whole family.

Please make plans to join us and register today!

- **Who:** TCMS Members and their immediate family Members, Project TCMS volunteer physicians, immediate family members and their staff
- **What:** Member and volunteer appreciation day at the Tulsa Zoo; including zoo admission, train tickets, lunch, animal chat
- **When:** Sunday, September 10th
 - 9 AM - 1 PM, Tickets available for pick up outside the zoo entrance, admission is good all-day
 - 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM, Lunch served, Face painting for kids and those young at heart
 - 1:00 PM - Animal Chat (Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles may make a surprise appearance)
- **Where:** Tulsa Zoo, Lunch and Animal Chat located in the Event Lodge near the Rhino and Giraffe exhibits
- **Why:** We appreciate you!

Since 2012, Project TCMS (Tulsa Charitable Medical Services) has had a significant impact on our community.

Total Referrals	1,551
Total Services	5,736
Physician Volunteers	185
Total Donated Care	\$9,629,224



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 14, 2023

OSU First Year Medical Student Luncheon
OSU-CHS Tandy 171

August 18, 2023

OU First Year Medical Student Luncheon
OU Schusterman Admin 1D18

August 23 - August 25, 2023

August 24 – August 25, 2023
EXPLORE Healthcare Summit
Embassy Suites Norman Hotel &
Conference Center
www.explorehealthcaresummit.com
[REGISTER HERE](#)

September 4, 2023

Happy Labor Day

September 10, 2023

TCMS Member and Project TCMS
Volunteer Appreciation Day at the Tulsa
Zoo - *More details at left*

September 19, 2023

OSDS Regular Scheduled Series
Save the date
Details coming soon

September 23, 2023

Oklahoma Allergy and Asthma Society
(OAAS) Annual Meeting
First National Bank in OKC
[Click Here](#) to register

September 29 - October 1, 2023

District VII 2023 Annual District Meeting
2023 theme, Your Best You: Succeeding at
Life and Work
Tulsa, Oklahoma
Stay tuned for more details, including
registration and exhibiting opportunities!
If you have questions, send them to
district7@acog.org

PROPER PRESCRIBING VIRTUAL CME

Friday, September 15, 2023; Noon - 1 PM

*To sign up or for more information, contact
Sandy Deeba, 405-601-9571*

*Signed into law in 2018, Oklahoma's Senate Bill 1446 mandates that all physicians complete one hour of CME in pain management per year. To help Oklahoma's physicians better understand how this new law impacts their practice and patients, the Oklahoma State Medical Association is hosting special CMEs in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. This one-hour event offers insight to the legal issues affecting pain management and an overview of the new laws connected with prescribing opioids to patients. All Oklahoma physicians with a DEA license are required to take this one hour course annually.

6TH WORST STATE FOR HEALTH CARE, WALLETHUB STUDY

With the Average American spending more than \$12,900 per year on personal health care, the personal-finance website WalletHub released its report on 2023's Best & Worst States for Health Care, as well as expert commentary. In order to determine where Americans receive the highest-quality services at the best prices, WalletHub compared the 50 states and the District of Columbia across 44 key measures of health care cost, accessibility, and outcome. The data set ranges from the average monthly insurance premium to physicians per capita to the share of insured population.

Health Care in Oklahoma (1=Best; 25=Avg.):

32nd – Avg. Monthly Insurance Premium
43rd – Physicians per Capita
32nd – Dentists per Capita
50th – % of Insured Adults
47th – % of Insured Children
44th – % of Adults with No Dental Visit in Past Year

For the full report, please visit:

<https://wallethub.com/edu/states-with-best-health-care/23457>

MEDICAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CLOSES AUG 31

Tulsa County Medical Society Foundation is now receiving applications from eligible medical students for its 2023-2024 Scholarship Awards. Visit <https://www.tcmsok.org/scholarship-program> or click the link below to apply.

To be eligible, students must be in good standing and enrolled in their 2nd, 3rd or 4th year (in the 2023-2024 academic year) at OU School of Community Medicine-Tulsa or OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine-Tulsa. Applications must be received by Monday, August 31st.

Scholarship awardees will be recognized at the TCMS Annual Meeting in November.

[Click Here to Apply](#)

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GREENWOOD DISTRICT CELEBRATES OPENING OF JUNO MEDICAL CLINIC

The Greenwood District celebrated the grand opening of its first medical clinic, expanding access to healthcare in north Tulsa. Juno Medical celebrated its opening with a ribbon cutting Tuesday, July 25.

The new office spans 3,800 square feet on the ground floor of 21 North Greenwood, near East Archer Street and North Greenwood Avenue. The building, located near ONEOK Field, already houses a law office, Pray Walker, and will soon include Fulton Street Books & Coffee.

Juno Medical offers pediatric, women's health, labs and imaging, virtual visits, same-day and primary care. Michael Basch, the founder and CEO of Atento Capital, is a key investor of the center. Several other investors have been involved with funding Juno Medical, including tennis star Serena Williams.

"It is like health care meets Apple in terms of the experience that they offer," Basch said. Speaking at the ribbon cutting for Juno Medical, City Councilor Vanessa Hall-Harper said the life expectancy is a measure of the health of a community. "Juno is intentionally choosing locations where they can increase health equity and decrease barriers to care," she said.

Hall-Harper said she is excited that a Black-owned medical provider chose to open a location in the Greenwood area. The clinic is located next to the railroad tracks that run through the historic district. "Like so many other cities in the United States, where you live in Tulsa can determine how long you live," Hall-Harper said. "Babies

born two miles apart might have life spans that differ by 10 years or more."

A 2015 report from the Tulsa Health Department showed a ZIP code in north Tulsa had a life expectancy of 69.7 years while another ZIP code a few miles away had a life expectancy of 80.4 years. Access to quality health care is an important part of health, Hall-Harper said. The life expectancy in Tulsa is 76.5 years, but in north Tulsa it is 70.7 years, according to the Human Rights Watch.

Dr. Jabraan Pasha, the Tulsa medical director and Juno vice president of health equity, said there is a misconception that a health care facility in a Black community like Greenwood is only for free care or Medicaid.

"We can take care of people who don't have insurance; we can take care of people who are on Soonercare; we can take care of people who have Blue Cross Blue Shield or other insurances, as well," Pasha said. "That's who Juno is — truly health care for anyone." He said the Tulsa clinic will deliver care with cultural humility and consider the impact of social factors on health. "In support of our clinical health equity approach we also believe in deep, meaningful partnerships to support members and local organizations doing the vital work here already," Pasha said.

If you have important practice news to share with our members, please contact Mark McElreath, Executive Director at mark@tcmsok.org. We want to celebrate our member's success stories.



Jabraan Pasha, M.D.

- Juno Tulsa Medical Director and Vice President of Health Equity
- TCMS Member since 2020



LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

There are several opportunities for leadership within TCMS and OSMA. This includes TCMS Board of Directors positions as well as Trustee and Alternate Trustee positions with OSMA.

If you have any interest in these roles or would like more information, please contact Mark McElreath, Executive Director, at 918.743.6184 or email mark@tcmsok.org.



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John Wooden

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P.O.P.

PHYSICIAN OPINION POLL

Your Opinion, Your Voice!

TCMS is starting a P.O.P. (Physician Opinion Poll) with the intent of determining various physician hot button issues. You will see the poll in each selected edition of the Tulsa Medicine! It will typically be 1-2 questions and will take you a few seconds to complete. We'll let you know the results of the poll in the next edition of Tulsa Medicine.

These questions can vary from serious issues that are affecting your practice, to hot topics in healthcare, amusing or fun, to organizationally related to TCMS and OSMA.

[Click Here to Vote](#)

If you have a topic/question that you would like to get in our P.O.P., email mark@tcmsok.org.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER



Kerri D. Anthony, MD
OB-GYN
TravelOBGMD

4140 W Memorial Rd Ste 321
OKC, OK 73120

By joining TCMS and OSMA our members are among friends, colleagues, and peers, who share their interest, concern, and dedication, to the medical profession. Our strength relies on individual members like these, who are committed to making an impact on the field of medicine.

Share with them the opportunity to join! Have them visit www.tcmsok.org/join or have them contact Mark or Joetta at 918.743.6184 or email tcms@tcmsok.org.

IN MEMORIAM



Charles William McEntee, M.D.

June 4, 1949 - July 4, 2023
TCMS Member 1982 (41 Years)

Charles William McEntee, a compassionate and dedicated cardiologist, passed away on July 4, 2023, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Born on June 4, 1949, in Muskogee, Oklahoma, Charles was the beloved son of Jess and Helen McEntee (Bender).

Helen McEntee (Bender).

From a young age, Charles exhibited a remarkable work ethic, beginning his career at the Muskogee Hospital at the age of 16. His passion for medicine led him to attend the OU Medical School, and later the Baylor College of Medicine for his Cardiology fellowship.

After a fulfilling career as a cardiologist, Charles retired from his practice but continued to serve his community as a dedicated board member for Saint Francis Hospital. Known for his selflessness and commitment to others, Charles actively sought ways to give back and make a difference in the lives of those around him.

Outside of his profession, Charles found joy in photography and traveling. Capturing life's fleeting moments through his lens brought him great happiness. Additionally, he was an active member of the Founder's Society for the Tulsa Ballet, showcasing his support for the arts.

Above all, Charles held a deep love and admiration for his cherished wife, Barbara McEntee. She was his constant companion and the center of his world. Their bond was a testament to the power of love and devotion.

Charles William McEntee will be fondly remembered and deeply missed by his loving wife Barbara McEntee, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and friends whose lives he touched with his kindness and generosity.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Jess and Helen McEntee, and his brother, Jess McEntee.

A memorial service celebrating Charles' life was held Saturday, July 15, 2023, at Boston Avenue United Methodist Church. As we gather to honor his memory, let us remember his legacy of service and compassion, and may his spirit continue to inspire us to make a difference in the lives of others, just as he did.

Our deepest sympathies and condolences to the friends and family of these members.



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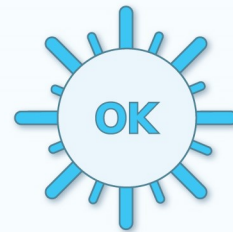
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