



Western Physicians' Alliance



NEWSLETTER

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WPA Board of Directors' Election Results

We are pleased to announce the results of the recent election of members to the WPA Board of Directors for 2012.

In Category I, Primary Care (which includes Family Practice, General Practice, Internal Medicine, and Pediatrics), both **Dr. Robert Rand** and **Dr. David Zucker** were re-elected. In Category II, (Ob/Gyn, Anesthesiology, Pathology, and Radiology) **Dr. Rafaela Hernandez** was re-elected and in Category III, (Medical and Surgical Specialists) **Dr. Brian Juell** was also re-elected.

The WPA appreciates the time, effort and leadership provided by its representatives.

Working Group Update

The Working Group Committee is continuing its ongoing efforts. The discussion at the last session was

centered on the new Pay for Performance program offered by Saint Mary's Health Plans to all qualifying Primary Care Physicians. Success will be based on clinical quality outcomes and administrative efficiencies.

Attendees included: Steve Phillips MD (SMHP Medical Director), Ron Smith MD (WPA Medical Director), Tim Coughlin MD, Jim Schaupp DO, Jennifer Hornback MD, Paul Smith MD, Marjorie Uhalde MD, Vance Alm MD, and Trey Ligon (WPA Administrator).

To learn more about the Pay for Performance program offered through SMHP, contact the WPA office at 775-827-5775 or email newsletter@wpareno.com.



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