



Education Session

Friday, February 28, 2025

8:30 am – 12:00 pm

Remote Attendance

AGENDA

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| 8:15 – 8:25 | Remote sign-in |
| 8:25 – 8:30 | Welcome and Opening Remarks
Susan Gilson, CPCS – MeAMSS President |
| 8:30 – 9:30 | Cybersecurity: The Best Defense Is a Tough Offense
Brian Mitchell, IT Specialist
Department of Information Technology
Down East Community Hospital and Calais Community Hospital
Join Mr. Mitchell for a discussion of how cyber hackers and malicious black hats infiltrate your digital world. Topics will include spotting hacker intrusions, data protection, and the MSPs role for minimizing their gains.
Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gain insight into the role of cyber defenders in the U.S. health care system• Understand the process through which hackers infect medical systems• Explore resources available to support MSPs in identifying attacks• Creating defense strategies and implementing vigilant practices |
| 9:30 – 10:30 | 2025 Healthcare Issues, Legislation, and Upcoming Developments
Steven R. Michaud, President
The Maine Hospital Association
Mr. Michaud discusses important legislation affecting Maine (national and state) healthcare. Topics include updates on current legislative proposals and how MSPs and their administrations can advocate for change. Listen to takeaways from February's "Small or Rural Hospital Conference" sponsored by the MHA.
Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gain insight into the role of lawmakers in the U.S. and state health care system• Understand the process through which proposed legislation is developed in the Maine chambers• Explore resources available to support MSPs in advocating for legislative changes |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Break |

10:45–11:45	ECFMG Certification and Beyond: The Journey of the International Medical Graduate Danielle Tinder, MS, Domestic Manager Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates Ms. Tinder presents the process through which international medical graduates (IMGs) enter U.S. graduate medical education. Topics will include the ECFMG Certification process and requirements; the Electronic Residency Application (ERAS®) and Match® process for IMGs; and J-1 Visa Sponsorship. Objectives: • Gain insight into the role of IMGs in the U.S. health care system • Understand the process through which IMGs become eligible for, apply for, and ultimately enter U.S. GME programs • Explore resources available to support MSPs in credentialing of IMGs
11:45–12:00	Closing Remarks Susan Gilson, CPCS President, MeAMSS
12:00	Adjournment

The education committee wishes to express their appreciation to these organizations.



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REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Job title: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email address: _____

REGISTRATION FEE:

- ☐ \$35 MeAMSS and NAMSS Members
- ☐ \$75 New Members, including annual 2025 membership
- ☐ \$50 Non-members, no annual membership

Registrations will be accepted until close of business the Wednesday prior to the education session due to logistics. Requests received after that time may be considered on a case-by-case basis as able.

ALL REGISTRANTS:

Email the completed form to Jim Rieder, Education Chair: credentialing@calaishospital.org

REGISTRANTS SENDING PAYMENT

MAIL CHECK PAYMENT made payable MeAMSS with a copy of the registration form:

MeAMSS Treasurer
Mike Durgin, CPCS
PO Box 133
Corinth, ME 04427

Payment questions should be addressed to Mike at mdurgin@northernlight.org.

The deadline for registering is 4 PM on Wednesday, February 26, 2025.

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