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With Members In Mind

Spring has sprung no matter where you live in the United States. And this Spring brings many opportunities for your practice to grow with Oncology Associates.

ASCO May 18-21, 2002

Visit Oncology Associates at the American Society of Clinical Oncology's meeting in Orlando, Florida. Representatives from OA will be present at our booth, # 564, in the Orange County Convention Center.

We will be available to meet and answer questions with current members as well as talk to practices interested in joining our group.

Can't wait until ASCO? Not attending ASCO this year? We still want to hear from you! Use the contact information at the bottom of this page and let us know what is on your mind.

ANNUAL JUNE MEMBERS MEETING

Baltimore, MD is the setting for the *June 7-9, 2002 Annual OA Members Meeting*. The vibrant inner harbor of Baltimore will serve as a backdrop for this event. Your voice will be heard as the weekend is accented by focus groups and roundtable discussions.

Saturday night it is time to "Play ball!" as the entire group will enjoy the Baltimore Orioles versus the Los Angeles Dodgers in baseball's intimate Oriole Park at Camden Yards (<http://www.oriolesbaseball.com>).

Don't forget to RSVP for this important event. The OA staff will assist you in making smooth travel plans to and from the meeting.

ONLINE

RCMED.com, OA's official member information website, now lists confidential contract information important to your practice. OA is constantly working to make you aware of all the advantages for each product agreement. This new area is viewable at your convenience and is updated as product changes take place. For more on this valuable tool see page 8 and RCMED.com.

INSPIRATION

OA feels it is important to share with others, the triumphs that you experience with your patients. Please see page 13 for our new section dedicated to understanding the fighting spirit of the cancer community. We encourage you to submit to the OA Member News your stories of inspiring efforts by cancer patients and/or people who contribute heroically to the advancement of cancer care.

This column is written by Brent Evans, Editor of the OA Member News and OA's V.P. of Sales and Marketing. Contact him with your comments at bevans@rcmed.com.

GlaxoSmithKline Offers New Contract!

The first new clinic contract offering from GSK is now available to OA members. Products on contract include; Hycamtin, Navelbine and Zofran Injection 20ml vials and 32mg pre-mixed bags.

With a start date of April 1, 2002, right around the corner Oncology Associates encourages each member to review the advantages and benefits outlined in the contract.

Each OA member has been sent an information packet

with contract details. As well, you can review the contract summary online at RCMED.com. Click on the "Password Login" button and enter the confidential codes provided in your mailer.

Should you need more information call OA's customer service hotline toll free at 1-888-732-7352 or Email OncologyAssoc@rcmed.com. A representative will gladly answer any of your questions.