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MICHIGAN COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES COUNCIL

# 2023 Annual Conference

## AGENDA AT A GLANCE

### SUNDAY | OCTOBER 1, 2023

TIME	EVENT	ROOM
11 a.m.	Registration Desk Open	Kalamazoo
12 p.m5 p.m.	MCMCFC Workshop - MDS Series - Part Two (Advanced)	Great Lakes I
2 p.m3 p.m.	MAC Workshop - <b>Public Act 51 - Part One</b>	Glens II
2 p.m3 p.m.	MAC Workshop - Aging Services	Glens III
2 p.m3 p.m.	MAC Workshop - Strategies to Manage Unfunded Liabilities	Glens I
2 p.m3 p.m.	MACSC Board of Directors Meeting	Fields
3:45 p.m4:45 p.m.	MAC Board of Directors Meeting	Meadows
5 p.m6:30 p.m.	Networking Reception in Exhibit Hall	Kalamazoo
6:30 p.m	Dinner on your own	

## MONDAY | OCTOBER 2, 2023

TIME	EVENT	ROOM
7:30 a.m.	Registration Desk Open	Arcadia Ballroom Lobby
7:45 a.m9 a.m.	Breakfast	Arcadia Ballroom
8:30 a.m12 p.m.	MCMCFC Workshop - MDS Series - Part Three (Deep Dive into PDPM)	Great Lakes I
9 a.m10 a.m.	Plenary Session: Building an Effective Multi-generational Workplace	Arcadia Ballroom
10 a.m10:45 a.m.	Networking with Exhibitors	Kalamazoo
10:45 a.m11:45 a.m.	MAC Workshop - <b>Public Act 51 - Part Two</b>	Glens II
10:45 a.m11:45 a.m.	MAC Workshop - MDOC's Walk a Mile Mentoring Program	Glens I
10:45 a.m11:45 a.m.	MAC Workshop - County Services to Local Governments	Glens III
10:45 a.m11:45 a.m.	Sponsored Workshop - Anatomy of a Cyber Attack	Prairies IV
11:45 a.m1:15 p.m.	Lunch & Plenary Session: Legislative Update & Responding to Michigan's Affordable Housing Crisis	Arcadia Ballroom
1:15 p.m2 p.m.	Networking with Exhibitors	Kalamazoo
1:15 p.m4:30 p.m.	MCMCFC Workshop - MDS Series - Part Three (Deep Dive into PDPM) - cont'd.	Great Lakes I
2 p.m3 p.m.	MAC Workshop - Overdose Detection and Prevention	Glens I
2 p.m3 p.m.	MAC Workshop - Trends in Hunting & Fishing in Michigan	Glens II
2 p.m3 p.m.	MAC Workshop - Materials Management Planning	Glens III
2 p.m3 p.m.	MAC Workshop - Update on Collective Bargaining Trends	Prairies IV
3:15 p.m3:45 p.m.	MAC Regional Caucuses	See page 16
5 p.m6 p.m.	Cocktail Hour	Arcadia Ballroom
6 p.m7 p.m.	125th Anniversary Gala: President's Banquet	Arcadia Ballroom
7 p.m9 p.m.	125th Anniversary Gala: Entertainment - Dueling Pianos	Arcadia Ballroom
9 p.m11 p.m.	President's Hospitality Suite	Check with Registration Desk



### TUESDAY | OCTOBER 3, 2023

TIME	EVENT	ROOM
7 a.m.	Registration Desk Open	Arcadia Ballroom Lobby
7:30 a.m8:30 a.m.	Breakfast	Arcadia Ballroom
8:30 a.m9 a.m.	Plenary Session: MAC Annual Business Meeting	Arcadia Ballroom
8:30 a.m9:30 a.m.	MCMCFC Workshop - <b>Cultivating a Falls Prevention Culture by</b> Intelligent Learning	Great Lakes I
9 a.m9:30 a.m.	Morning Break	
9:30 a.m10:30 a.m.	MAC Workshop - How AI Is Transforming the County Operations Landscape	Glens II
9:30 a.m10:30 a.m.	MAC Workshop - Putting More People in Michigan	Glens III
9:30 a.m10:30 a.m.	MAC Workshop - Implementing Early Voting & Other Proposal 2 Measures	Glens I
9:45 a.m10:45 a.m.	MCMCFC Workshop - MDS Workflow After Oct. 1, 2023, Changes	Great Lakes I
10:30 a.m11 a.m.	Boxed Lunch (Pick up outside breakout rooms)	
10:45 a.m11:15 a.m.	MAC Board of Directors Meeting	Meadows

## TIPS TO IMPROVE YOUR CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

#### YOUR BADGE IS YOUR FRIEND!

Name badges are required at all times for conference events. You obtain your badges at registration. If you lose your badge, please go directly to the Conference Registration Desk for assistance.

#### **EXHIBITOR BINGO**

As you visit each exhibit, have the representative initial next to his/her booth name listed on the card provided in your conference registration bag. When you have visited all the exhibitors, turn in this card at the Registration Desk to be included in the prize drawing.

**Forms are due at the Registration Desk by 8 a.m. on Oct. 3.** Prizes will be handed out during the plenary session on Oct. 3 at 8:30 a.m. MAC's Service Corp is sponsoring two grand prizes of \$250 in cash at the drawing.

#### **NETWORKING BREAK RAFFLES**

At each of the Networking Breaks on Monday, Oct. 2, conference attendees have the chance to win \$100 cash INSTANTLY just by holding the "Golden Number."

As you enter the Exhibit Hall in the Kalamazoo Room at each break, a MAC staffer will hand you a slip of paper with a number printed on it. At the mid-point of the break, a number will be announced as the winner. To claim your instant prize, you must have the matching slip and reach the announcer WITHIN 5 MINUTES.

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Who is ready to celebrate?

Our 2023 Annual Conference promises to be an appropriately entertaining time to cap MAC's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year.

To begin with, our host, Kalamazoo County, was among the 16 counties represented in the Senate Chamber of the Michigan State Capitol on Feb. 1, 1898, when the "State Association of Supervisors" was formed.

Kalamazoo leaders, along with those from Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Eaton, Gladwin, Gratiot, Ingham, Ionia, Jackson, Monroe, Montcalm, Oakland, Ottawa, Saginaw and St. Joseph counties, saw the value of gathering county officials together to share challenges, to share resources and to share one voice in the halls of Lansing and Washington, D.C., on behalf of their constituents.

The Annual Conference is the single most important event MAC hosts each year, but the anniversary makes this gathering extra special.

Rather than our traditional President's Banquet, we are holding an Anniversary Gala, which includes the banquet and a special night of live music. We look forward to seeing everyone in the ballroom on Monday night.

You'll also notice a bit of recent history in the schedule, as we have reverted to the Sunday afternoon to Tuesday morning calendar that was typical of MAC Annual Conferences prior to the 2022 event.

As always, the entire MAC staff will be on hand to assist in any way we can to ensure the best possible conference experience for you and your guests. Do not hesitate to ask.

As MAC's 114<sup>th</sup> Board President and seventh Executive Director, we are proud to welcome you to the Annual Conference and, most importantly, proud to call you "colleague."

Enjoy the conference!

Stanley J. Ponstein Board President

Stephan W. Currie Executive Director

## **KEYNOTE** SPEAKERS



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#### JEFF BUTLER

Jeff Butler is an author and workplace strategist who explores human behavior within the working world. His experience spans over 40 industries in 4 continents on how different cultures and employees interact with each other. He studies common threads of behavior in industries such as IT professionals, underground utility workers, police officers to clothing retail chains. In addition, Jeff has also worked with companies like Google, Amazon, John Deere and Coldwell Banker. As a researcher and practitioner, he also runs a consulting company and a tech company, TrinityFix where he is able to test his ideas in different workplace environments. His ideas have made it to TEDx twice and appeared in dozens of media outlets, including two books on human behavior: *The Authentic Workplace* and *The Key to The New You*.



#### **DEENA BOSWORTH**

Deena Bosworth joined MAC in 2011 and became director of governmental affairs in December 2013. Bosworth leads an advocacy team of three that is monitoring more than 400 separate bills in the current legislative session in Lansing. Bosworth previously served as director of legislative relations for the Michigan Attorney General's Office, as assistant county administrator with the Charlotte County Board of Commissioners in Florida and as legislative director and senior policy adviser for the Michigan House Republican Caucus. She has a B.A. in anthropology from Western Michigan University.



#### YARROW BROWN

Yarrow Brown joined Housing North in May of 2020. Yarrow spent over 12 years working for the Leelanau Conservancy and brings a diverse background in real estate transactions, project management, watershed and strategic planning, mapping and other technical skills. She is part of the Executive Committee for the Northwest Michigan Coalition to End Homelessness and sits on the Board of the Fair Housing Center for West Michigan. Through private consulting, Yarrow has worked across the U.S. and throughout northwest lower Michigan. She served on the Cleveland Township Planning commission in Leelanau County for 2.5 years. Yarrow is a graduate of Antioch College with a degree in environmental science, and she attended Antioch New England for graduate work in Conservation Biology. She is working on her certificate in fundraising management and becoming a citizen planner through MSU Extension.



**Stephan Currie** Executive Director

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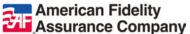
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## SPECIAL EVENTS



## TIME TO FEEL THE MUSIC!

The 125th Anniversary Gala will be capped by the musical stylings of Yellow Brick Road Dueling Pianos!

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. • Arcadia Ballroom • Cash Bar

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Breakouts are in Glens, Great Lakes, Fields, Oaks, Prairies and Meadows Rooms on the Lower Level.

Exhibit Hall is in Kalamazoo Room on the Lower Level.





#### WELCOME RECEPTION

#### OCT. 1, 5 P.M.-6:30 P.M.

Join your fellow attendees for complimentary beverages and appetizers as you stroll the conference Exhibit Show. Be sure to wear your conference badge to ensure quick access.

#### **EXHIBITOR SHOW AND BINGO**

#### OCT. 2, 9 A.M.- 2 P.M.

Visit with representatives of more than 30 firms that specialize in products and services useful to county governments. Don't forget to have your Exhibitor Bingo card stamped to enter a drawing for one of two \$250 cash prizes provided by the MAC Service Corp. Completed cards are due at the registration desk by 8 a.m. on Oct. 3; winners will be drawn during the 8:30 a.m. plenary session on Oct. 3.

#### COCKTAIL RECEPTION OCT. 2, 5 P.M-6 P.M.

After a busy day of conference sessions, attendees are invited for cocktails prior to the 125th Anniversary Gala. Be sure to wear your conference badge to ensure quick access.

#### 125TH ANNIVERSARY GALA: PRESIDENT'S BANQUET

#### 6 P.M.-7 P.M.

Let the celebrations begin with the traditional President's Banquet, during which Jim Storey of Allegan County will take the oath as MAC's 115th Board President and deliver inaugural remarks.

#### 125TH ANNIVERSARY GALA: ENTERTAINMENT FROM YELLOW BRICK ROAD DUELING PIANOS.

#### 7 P.M.- 9 P.M.

It's time to enjoy the high-energy, interactive stylings of Yellow Brick Road Dueling Pianos!

#### PRESIDENT'S HOSPITALITY SUITE 9 P.M.-11 P.M.

Join newly inaugurated President Jim Storey in his suite for beverages and light snacks to close out the evening.







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SUNDAY, OCT. 1

#### 11 a.m. – REGISTRATION DESK OPENS

Room: Kalamazoo

12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

WORKSHOP FOR MICHIGAN COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES COUNCIL MEMBERS

#### MCMCFC - MDS Series - Part Two (Advanced)

#### Room: Great Lakes I

#### Speaker: Scott Heichel, LeaderStat

The presentation will educate facilities for the Oct. 1, 2023, changes to the MDS assessment. PDPM has been here since Oct. 1, 2019, and facilities still struggle with managing and maximizing the reimbursement for Part A residents. These sessions will help ensure a full understanding of how the PDPM system works and what needs to be done to drive it in their facilities. Quality Measures are embedded in multiple CMS focus programs (Five Star, SNF QRP, SNF VPB), in addition to driving the survey process.

#### 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

#### CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS FOR MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES MEMBERS

#### Strategies to Manage Pension & OPEB Unfunded Liabilities

#### Room: Glens I

#### Speakers: Mike Overley and Veronica LaBar, MERS of Michigan

If your county has unfunded liabilities – either pension or OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) or both — you may be looking for ways to manage them. This session will explore plan design options and funding strategies to mitigate pension costs along with exploring programs that MERS offers to its customers to help fund retiree health care obligations. In addition, you'll hear how using these programs in tandem with a private health care exchange can make OPEB dollars go even further. We'll also share trends of actions taken in each of these areas across the state. You won't want to miss this insightful session!

#### Road Funding, Part 1: Michigan Transportation Fund 101

#### Room: Glens II

#### Speaker: Ed Noyola, County Road Association of Michigan

The Michigan Transportation Fund (MTF) serves as the distribution model for road funding in Michigan. Through an intricate formula crafted over many years, the MTF

allocates funds to state, county, and municipal road agencies to maintain, repair, and improve our roadways. In Part 1 of this two-part series, Ed Noyola, Chief Deputy of the County Road Association of Michigan, will provide a detailed overview of where the money comes from, where it goes, and why.

On Monday, we will take a closer look at the county's share of the MTF in Part 2. Attendees are encouraged to participate in both sessions to become experts on road funding in Michigan!

#### Area Agencies on Aging (AAA)

#### Room: Glens III Speakers: Julie Wetherby, WellWise Services Area Agency on Aging (Region 2), Jason Maciejewski, The Senior Alliance (AAA Region 1C) and Christine Vanlandingham, Area Agency on Aging (Region 4)

Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) face significant challenges in their mission to serve older adults and persons with disabilities in their own homes and local communities. AAA directors will present the latest information and respond to questions regarding the workforce crisis, supporting family and informal caregivers, preparing for the end of the MI Health Link (MHL) program serving dually eligible Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, maintaining a strong MI Choice program, aging program changes resulting from the FY2024 MDHHS budget, coordinating social determinants of care and healthcare and others. The workshop will discuss the "Michigan Model" of aging services and the role of AAAs as partners in the MDHHS plan to enroll dual eligibles in special needs plans.

#### 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. – MACSC Board Meeting Room: Fields

#### 3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. – MAC Board of Directors Meeting Room: Meadows

Any MAC member may attend this session of the MAC Board.

#### 5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. – Welcome Reception

#### Room: Kalamazoo

Join fellow conference attendees in the Exhibitor Hall for cocktails and heavy appetizers.

#### 6:30 p.m. - Dinner on your own

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## MONDAY, OCT. 2

#### 7:30 a.m. – REGISTRATION DESK OPENS Room: Arcadia Ballroom Lobby

7:45 a.m. – 9 a.m. – Breakfast Room: Arcadia Ballroom Lobby

#### 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

#### WORKSHOP FOR MICHIGAN COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES COUNCIL MEMBERS

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#### 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

#### Opening Plenary Session: Building an Effective Multi-Generational Workplace Room: Arcadia Ballroom

Welcome comments: Stan Ponstein, 2022-23 MAC Board President

#### Pledge of Allegiance: Jim Storey, 2022-23 MAC Board First Vice President

Host county comments: Jim Taylor, chair, Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners

## Keynote speaker: Jeff Butler, Speaker, author and workplace strategist

The modern-day workplace has four generations working under one roof: Baby Boomers, Generation Xers, Millennials and now Generation Z. All work together to accomplish common organizational goals, however, with differences in each of these generation's viewpoints, upbringings, culture, ideas, beliefs and experiences, it is likely to see some tiffs or clashes within the organization. Hence, makes managing four different generations in the workplace an extremely difficult task to accomplish, though not impossible. With the right guidance, support and advice, the task of managing these four generations under one roof is achievable. The support may come in various forms, one of which is this program.

This program focuses on managing four different generations in the workplace where author and practitioner Jeff Butler, backed by a decade of psychological research, shares insights about the motivations, differences, and communication styles of these four generations. You will learn how organizations across various industries are thriving with a multigenerational workforce and how yours can too. Through this program, you'll find specific actionable strategies to manage your cross-generational challenges and turn your multigenerational workforce into a competitive advantage.

#### 10 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. – Networking Break with Exhibitors Room: Kalamazoo

Attendees are encouraged to tour the Exhibitor Show, which will feature more than 25 firms that have products and services of special interest to county governments. And don't forget to fill out your Exhibitor Bingo card!

#### 10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

#### CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS FOR MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES MEMBERS

#### Road Funding, Part 2: The County's Portion

#### Room: Glens II Speakers: Ed Noyola & Steve Puuri, County Road Association of Michigan

In Part 2 of this two-part session, we will take a closer look at the county's expenditures of the Michigan Transportation Fund. They will discuss operations, contracting, adhering to federal and state standards, and more. This session will provide a more technical, hands-on perspective for managers and county commissioners to understand their role in Michigan's local transportation network.

NOTE: It is not a requirement to have attended Part 1 to enjoy Part 2! All conference participants are welcome.

#### Michigan Department of Corrections' Walk a Mile Mentoring Program

#### Room: Glens I

#### Speaker: Tony Mills, Michigan Department of Corrections

The Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC) has developed a mentoring program designed to provide mentorship to parolees (both males and females) returning home. This program helps those who are lacking a critical support system for reacclimating them back to society,



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setting and achieving goals and better outcomes to help them succeed during their parole period. Mentors provide offenders with the opportunity to change, encourage them during difficult times, model positive behavior and help develop pro-social and problem-solving skills.

#### County Services Survey and Results

#### Room: Glens III

#### Speakers: Mark Skidmore and Eric Scorsone, Center for Local Government Finance & Policy

The results from a MAC-commissioned survey of how many services counties provide to local units of governments within their borders and share services with other counties will be the focus of this session led by the Center for Local Government Finance & Policy at Michigan State University. The report will cover the different types of services provided, from law enforcement to zoning to information technology support. A review of the pro bono services and the contract services will be discussed.

#### Anatomy of a Cyber Attack

#### Room: Prairies IV Speaker: Curtis Pennala

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#### 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. – Lunch and Plenary Session

**Room: Arcadia Ballroom** 

MAC Legislative Update - Deena Bosworth, MAC Director of Governmental Affairs

#### Responding to Michigan's Affordable Housing Crisis - Yarrow Brown, Housing North

Rising rents and mortgage rates and limited inventory have formed a perfect storm for Michiganians in need of housing. Many people have left the state in search of more affordable options, and communities feel the impact of the absence of young workers and families that sustain local businesses and organizations. Yarrow Brown, executive director of Housing North, will lead discuss the status of affordable housing in Michigan and touch on tools and solutions that have been used to improve housing problems in her area and how commissioners across the state can use such tools in their own communities.

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#### 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

#### CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS FOR MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES MEMBERS

#### Overdose Prevention: Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) and Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP)

#### Room: Glens I Speakers: Kim Pickett, MPHI; Emily Godfrey, CDC Foundation; and Bob Kerr, HIDTA

The Michigan Overdose Response Strategy (ORS) team, in cooperation with the Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI), will inform participants about the Michigan Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) Program, which is a county-level collaborative process that brings together local professionals from a variety of disciplines who volunteer their time to share and discuss comprehensive information on the circumstances surrounding overdose deaths. County OFR teams use what they learn during the review process to develop findings and recommendations, which they share with other local entities who can help translate them into prevention initiatives that address needs specific to their communities.

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There are currently 12 counties that have established OFR teams, with more counties expressing interest to start their own. The HIDTA ODMAP and University of Michigan SOS overdose mapping tools that are used by OFR teams and are available to county governments will be demonstrated.

#### Trends in Hunting and Fishing in Michigan

#### Room: Glens II

#### Speaker: Taylor Ridderbusch, Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Michigan is known for its beautiful landscapes, lakes and abundance of natural resources. These resources provide a plethora of opportunities for outdoor recreation for Michigan residents but also draw tourists to the state. This session will focus on what the Department of Natural Resources does to ensure the management of our lakes, state parks and wildlife to ensure future generations can enjoy all Michigan has to offer.

#### **Materials Management Planning**

#### Room: Glens III

#### Speakers: Christina Miller & Jeff Krcmarik, Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy

Materials Management planning is the tool that gives counties authority over management of solid waste, recyclables, organics and other related activities. The plan sets priorities to achieve specific goals set by the county. Learn about new requirements, timelines, roles, and responsibilities, walk through scenarios, tools and resources, technical assistance opportunities, and gain a better understanding of planning and its importance overall.

#### **Collective Bargaining**

#### **Room: Prairies IV**

#### Speaker: Bonnie Toskey, Cohl, Stoker & Toskey, P.C.

Contract negotiations between government employers and their many different bargaining units has always have generated challenges, be they about benefits, long-term obligations, pay scales or balancing out the fairness and equity among the different groups. Employee recruitment and retention issues growing, the Legislature has focused considerable attention on the employee side of the negotiation scale. This session will discuss some of the reinstated labor laws and the key components to negotiating a good contract.

#### 3:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. - MAC Regional Caucuses

County commissioners attending the conference may participate in their regional caucuses to fill four seats on the MAC Board of Directors. For more information on the candidates, see page 25.

Region 1 - Glens I Region 2 - Glens II Region 3 - Glens III Region 4 - Prairies IV Region 5 - Prairies V Region 6 - Prairies VI

#### 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. – Cocktail Reception

#### Room: Arcadia Ballroom

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#### 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. – 125th Anniversary Gala: President's Banquet Room: Arcadia Ballroom

Let the celebrations begin with the traditional President's Banquet, during which Jim Storey of Allegan County will take the oath as MAC's 115th Board President and deliver inaugural remarks. Wine service with dinner. Cash bar.

#### 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. – 125th Anniversary: Live Music Room: Arcadia Ballroom

It's time to enjoy the high-energy, interactive stylings of Yellow Brick Road Dueling Pianos! Cash bar.

#### 9 p.m. – 11 p.m. – President's Hospitality Suite Room: Check with Conference Registration Desk

Join newly inaugurated President Jim Storey in his suite for beverages and light snacks to close out the evening.

### **SPEAKER BIOS**

To learn more about the workshop speakers at this year's conference, visit MAC's website: **micounties.org/conferences-2** 





## TUESDAY, OCT. 3

#### 7 a.m. – REGISTRATION DESK OPENS Room: Arcadia Ballroom Lobby

7:30 a.m. a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - Breakfast Room: Arcadia Ballroom

#### 8:30 a.m. – 9 a.m. – Plenary Session: MAC Annual Business Meeting

#### **Room: Arcadia Ballroom**

County commissioners will review and vote on MAC's policy platforms for the 2023-24 year. For additional details, see page 25.

#### 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

#### WORKSHOP FOR MICHIGAN COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES COUNCIL MEMBERS

## MCMCFC - Cultivating Falls Prevention Culture by Intelligent Learning

#### Room: Great Lakes I

Speakers: Cassie Lopez-Jeng & Candace Wise, Western Michigan University, and Steve Eberth, Bradley University

This presentation aims to inform participants regarding the project conducted in multiple Michigan County Medical Care facilities to reduce falls through online learning to effect culture change. Based on a successful pilot project of a collaborative problem-solving approach to falls prevention, we built an online platform with personalized educational content. Designed to be engaging, interactive,



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#### 9 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. – Morning Break

Identify your preferred breakout session and/or check out of your hotel room.

#### 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

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#### Elections: Implementing Early Voting & Other Proposal 2 Measures

#### Room: Glens I

#### Speakers: Justin Roebuck, Ottawa County Clerk, and Barb Byrum, Ingham County Clerk

In November 2022, Michigan voters passed Proposal 2, a constitutional amendment to further expand voting rights in the State. Tenets of Proposal 2 of 2022 include the following: nine (9) days of early voting, allowing military ballots to be counted after Election Day if postmarked on or before Election Day, allowing voters to join a permanent ballot list for all future elections, requiring state-funded absentee drop boxes and postage for absentee ballots and applications, and more. The Michigan Legislature has since passed implementing legislation to clarify the processes surrounding Proposal 2 measures. Ingham County Clerk Barb Byrum and Ottawa County Clerk Justin Roebuck will discuss the details of how this will change the look of our elections in 2024 and beyond, and ways in which county boards and administrators can support their clerks and voters in light of these changes.

#### Reimagining Local Government: How AI Technology is Transforming the County Operations Landscape Room: Glens II

#### Room: Giens I

#### Speaker: Rita Reynolds, NACo

This presentation explores the revolutionary influence of artificial intelligence (AI) technology (including ChatGPT) on local government operations. An overview of current applications and future possibilities will be presented to show how AI is enhancing service delivery, improving efficiency, and paving the way for smarter, more responsive local governance. In addition to benefits, challenges will be covered. Attendees will also hear an update of the NACo AI Exploratory committee's work on providing counties with guidance and best practices in the implementation of Al in county services and operations.

#### Putting More People in Michigan Room: Glens III

#### Speaker: Hilary Doe, Growing Michigan Council

What are the key factors employers and a talented workforce look for when deciding to live or build a business in Michigan? Tax rates? Solid infrastructure? Access to natural resources? Cultural diversity? Availability of health care? Education services? The governor has formed a commission dedicated to answering these questions and more. Come join the discussion on what Michigan has to offer and what we need to focus on to build back our population and economy.

#### 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

WORKSHOP FOR MICHIGAN COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES COUNCIL MEMBERS

#### MCMCFC - MDS Workflow after

#### Oct. 1, 2023, Changes

#### Room: Great Lakes I

#### Speaker: Victoria Burlew, Lebenbom & Rothman Consulting

The presentation continues to educate facilities for the Oct. 1, 2023, changes to the MDS assessment. PDPM has been here since Oct. 1, 2019, and facilities still struggle with managing and maximizing the reimbursement for Part A residents. These sessions will help ensure a full understanding of how the PDPM system works and what needs to be done to drive it in their facilities. Quality Measures are embedded in multiple CMS focus programs (Five Star, SNF QRP, SNF VPB), in addition to driving the survey process.

#### 10:30 a.m. - Conference concludes

Pick up a boxed lunch before heading out! Lunches will be placed outside the breakout rooms.

#### 10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. – MAC Board of Directors Meeting Room: Meadows

During this session, newly elected Board members will be sworn in and Board members will officially elect officers for the 2023-24 year. This session is open to MAC members.



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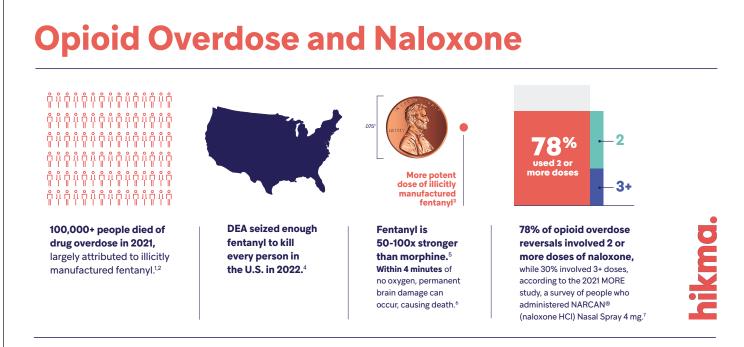
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#### **BOARD ELECTIONS WILL FILL 4 SEATS**

Four seats on the MAC Board of Directors will be filled on Oct. 2 at the 2023 Annual Conference.

The commissioners who filed for seats in this cycle are:

- Region I, Seat B Joe Bonovetz, Gogebic County (seeking 3rd term)
- Region II, Seat B Richard Schmidt, Manistee County (seeking 3rd term)
- Region III, Seat B Jim Storey, Allegan County (seeking 3rd term)
- At-large, Seat B Stan Ponstein, Kent County (seeking 3rd term)

Although only one candidate filed for each of the four available seats, regional caucuses must be held, per MAC By-laws, to elect the candidate.

#### **ELECTION PROCEDURES**

- 1. Only commissioners who register for the Annual Conference may participate in the regional caucuses that fill these seats.
- 2. Regional Board seats are filled by elections in which each COUNTY gets ONE vote. At-large seats are filled with each attending commissioner casting one vote in each caucus; the winning at-large candidate must have majorities in at least four of the six caucuses.

#### POLICY PLATFORM VOTES

MAC's Annual Business Meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 3 at 8:30 a.m. in the ballroom. County commissioners who are registered for the conference may participate as voting members in the business meeting, which includes review and approval of MAC's 2023-24 policy platforms.

Drafts were posted to MAC's website in August.

According to MAC's By-laws (Article III, Section 6):

"An amendment to the MAC Platform may be presented from the floor during the annual meeting. Such amendment will require a 2/3 majority vote of the members at the meeting at which a quorum is initially established to be adopted."

Each commissioner may cast one vote per platform. Passage is by a majority vote of eligible commissioners in the Business Meeting.



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PRESIDENT Stan Ponstein Kent County/At-large



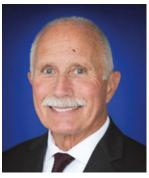
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- Sign in for each session
- Complete session evaluation(s)

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