

## 2023 Jan - Feb Newsletter



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### MEET YOUR BOARD



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The Board of Directors supports the El Paso County Medical Society by providing leadership and strategic governance. Your current El Paso County Medical Society Board members are: (pictured from left to right top) Dr. Nicholas Piantanida (president), Dr. Joel Tanaka (vice-president), Dr. Marc Labovich, Dr. Sean Keenan, Dr. Betty Kim, Dr. Karin Cesario, (very bottom) Tracy Narvet, (treasurer).

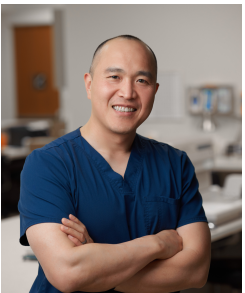
### Medicine is a Team Sport

Every doctor has spent over a decade of training to make the right medical decision. But even more challenging is implementing the medical care. The medical knowledge in our minds must flow through our team in order to deliver medical care. Therefore, doctors must be good leaders if we want to serve our patients effectively. Leading our team well is the difference between daily frustration and finding joy in what we do. Fresh from completing my fellowship in Mohs micrographic surgery, I was eager to cure the world of skin cancer. However, I very quickly learned that I cannot do anything on my own. For me to care for the patient in the exam room, dozens of tasks must be completed by numerous support staff.

From scheduling the patient, to verifying the insurance, to taking their medical history, to ordering supplies, and so on. If any of these steps fails, I am rendered ineffective. Like a quarterback without an offensive line willing to block, I would be flat on my back.

If I cannot lead my team, none of my fifteen years of medical training would matter. The practice of medicine is a complex process. And doctors must lead and bring clarity through the complexity.

In the beginning of my career, just getting my staff to show up was a challenge. Today, my team far exceeds my expectations. Tasks, big and small, are executed with excellence.



**Dr. Vinh Q. Chung,**  
**MD**

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## A NOTE FROM YOUR CEO ..



MARY HARRINGTON,  
INTERIM CEO

Last September, I was blessed with the opportunity and privilege of leading the El Paso County Medical Society as your (Interim) CEO. As our community emerged from the shadow of COVID and began to personally reconnect with friends, patients, clients and colleagues, there were a number of transitions to be skillfully navigated. The transitions were all about our relationships – with our members, our business partners, and our teams. Reunifying our collaborative component relationship with Colorado Medical Society was an identified priority. The development and creation of an updated website that enables our members to communicate, educate, advocate and engage is ready for preview and roll-out in early February. With it comes enhanced member benefits, online public and member physician directories, newsletters and access to event, CME, staff compliance training and other activities. The much-requested hard copy pictorial physician directory returns in 2023! Best yet, in-person member events are happening again and it was great fun to share stories over good food and drink during our November gathering. Much has been accomplished. However, there are many more opportunities to be captured and explored. It is always a pleasure to receive input from our members so please reach out to your EPCMS Team.



## Updates for our Members

### EPCMS NEW WEBSITE LAUNCH

EPCMS is on schedule to launch our much anticipated new website and 2023 Physician Member Directory. Beginning February 10th log onto [EPCMS.org](https://EPCMS.org) to view the new site and to update your account. Please contact your local EPCMS office @ **719-591-2424** or email our staff @ [epcms@epcms.org](mailto:epcms@epcms.org) with questions.

### WEBSITE FEATURES INCLUDE:

- Public Facing On-line Physician Directory
- Physician Member On-line Directory
- 2022 Top Docs Listing
- HIPAA/OSHA Training Links
- Physician Member Spotlight
- Monthly Newsletter
- and much, much more!!!!

## ON LINE RESOURCES

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