

# CLARK COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY ALLIANCE



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### Who We Are:

The Clark County Medical Society Alliance (“CCMSA” or “Alliance”) is a nonprofit organization comprised of physician spouse volunteers dedicated to improving the health of Southern Nevadans. CCMSA was officially chartered with the Nevada State Medical Association Alliance (NSMAA) and the American Medical Association Alliance (AMAA) in 1949.

The Alliance is much more than a group of physicians’ spouses. It is the only organization of its kind that provides a support system for the unique challenges of life in a medical family. Through the Alliance, families of medicine develop lifelong friendships, build an effective network of co-workers and help each other understand and find solutions to the

stressful challenges faced by medical families.

### Our Mission:

The mission of the Clark County Medical Society Alliance is educational and charitable. CCMSA projects include health education, health advocacy, initiation and support of health related charitable endeavors, and assistance to the CCMS's health related projects.

### Annual Fashion Show Luncheon:

The Alliance hosts an annual fashion show luncheon and silent auction to raise funds for various charitable organizations. The proceeds are given by the CCMSA on the stipulation that the funds be used toward a health related effort and remain entirely in Clark County for programs directly benefiting our own community.

Recent past recipients of CCMSA Fashion Show proceeds include UMC Pediatric Unit, UNLV School of Medicine, Touro University Nevada, Roseman College of Medicine, the Shade Tree, the American Heart/Stroke Association, Candlelighters, Child Focus, Child Haven and Susan G. Komen and many, many more.

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### 2018-2019 board of Directors

Co-Presidents: Sharlin Ahmed-Khan, PhD, Kim Fonte and Estela Hansen, RN

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### Holiday Scholarship Project:

Thanks to the support of Southern Nevadan physicians, community hospitals, our members and friends of the medical community, CCMSA has awarded over half-a-million dollars in scholarships to deserving nursing and medical students in need. The Holiday Scholarship Project recognizes our donors in a page on our Annual Fashion Show Luncheon program book and in Rotating Digital Billboards. With their participation, supporters express holiday greetings to their colleagues through rotating billboards throughout the city. Providing scholarships is critical to helping our students succeed so they can continue to be a part of our medical family and to improve healthcare in Nevada.

### Community Health Projects:

Since 2017, the CCMSA has had a community health focus on Opioid Drug Abuse. Prescription Opioid Drug Abuse has become a major epidemic in the United States. Recognizing this as a national health crisis, the Alliance, in collaboration with the AMAA, is focusing efforts and attention to educating

physician families and our communities about the causes, the dangers, and the treatments of Opioid abuse and addiction.

CCMSA successfully introduced the Faux Paw Internet Safety program at The Meadows School and The Clark County School District (“CCSD”). CCSD, being the fifth largest school district in the country and having over 200 elementary schools, made introducing Faux Paw to its third-graders a long term project.

### Team Alliance:

CCMSA’s Team Alliance participates in many community events including: Walk to End Alzheimers; Light the Night Walk for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society; the St. Rose Regatta; helping school children at the Assistance League; Toys for Tots, fundraising to provide shoes and socks for the homeless; Candlelighter’s Halloween Boo Bash; Sewing Pillowcases for Ryan’s Cases for Smiles and many others. Our members are actively involved in a wide range of projects all throughout Southern Nevada– keeping a finger on the pulse of what is needed in our community. Many of our members sit on Boards for organizations representing a broad

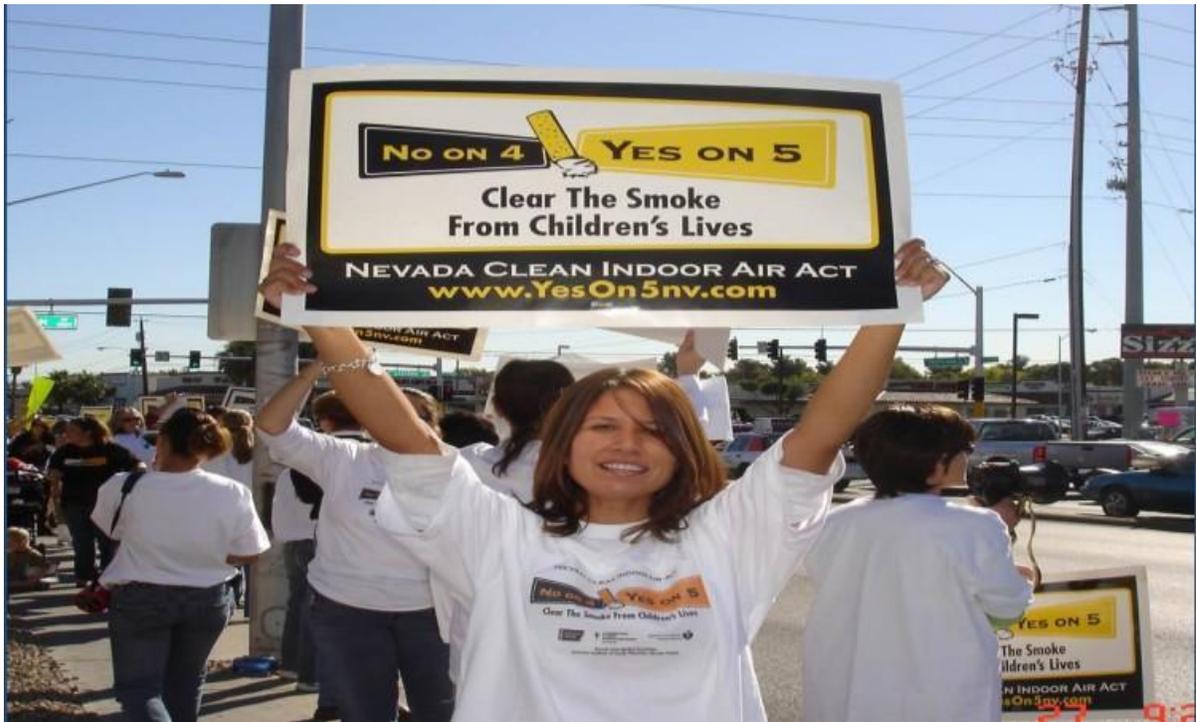
### Legislative Impact:

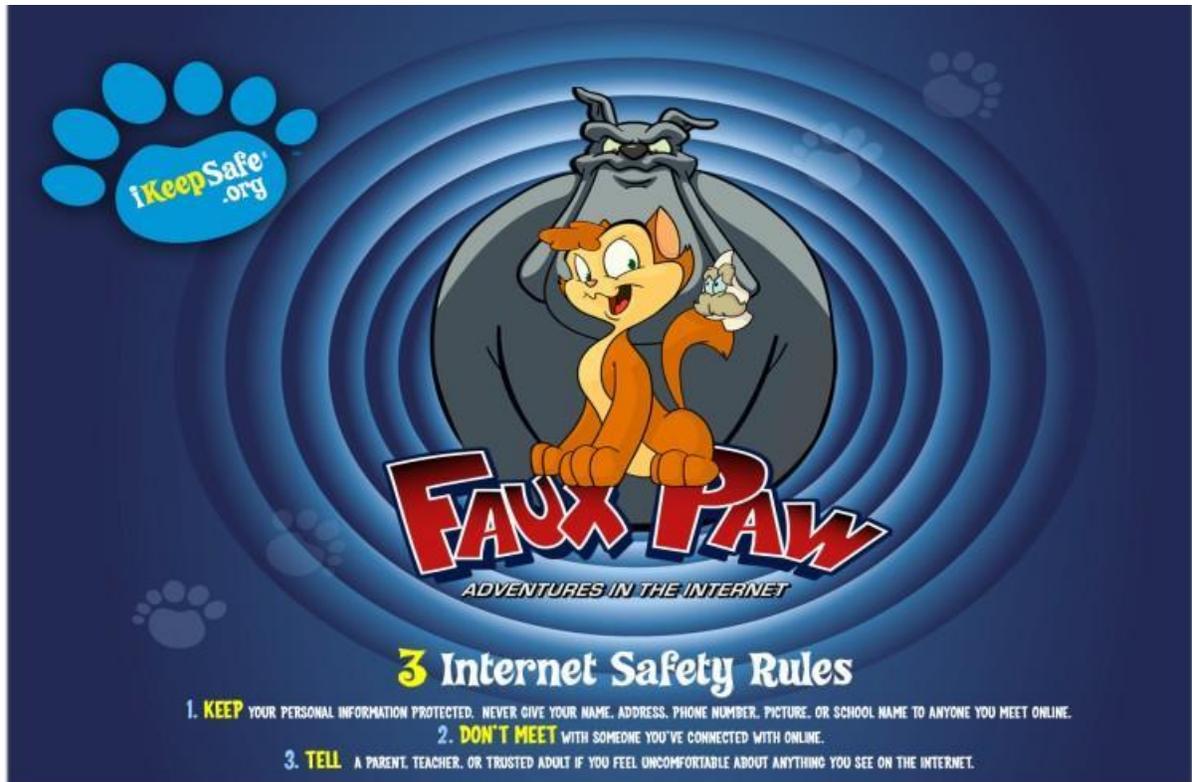
Each year the medical community in Nevada faces legislative hurdles that affect not only medical practice but also the health and wellness of the family. Through our county, state and national Political Action Committees, our members actively participated in the passage of the Smoking Ban, fought the efforts to overturn KODIN (Keep Our Doctors in Nevada) legislation and hosted numerous events to keep our members and their spouses abreast of current legislation

that affects health care. The CCMSA hosted several Legislative Mixers where over 200 attendees were able to meet candidates and discuss how proposed legislation affects real world medical practice.









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