

CSRO

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS

2023 Fellows Conference

Saturday, March 11

InterContinental: Mark Hopkins | San Francisco, CA



Celebrating *20 years* of CSRO serving as a **voice for rheumatology.**

AGENDA

All activities will be located in the **Peacock Court** unless otherwise noted.
Times, speakers and topics are subject to change.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

- 7:00 a.m.** **Breakfast**
Location: *Room of the Dons*
- 7:45 a.m.** **Welcome**
Gary Feldman, MD, FACR
- 8:00 a.m.** **The Future Environment of Rheumatology**
Gary Feldman, MD, FACR
- 8:45 a.m.** **The Realities of Private Practice**
Aaron Broadwell, MD
- 9:30 a.m.** *Break*
- 9:45 a.m.** **Physician Employment and Contracts**
Steve McCoy, Esq
- 10:30 a.m.** **Who, What, and How of Paying for Medical Care**
Michael Saitta, MD, MBA, FACR
- 11:15 a.m.** **Medication Access in the US**
Madelaine Feldman, MD, FACR
- 12:00 p.m.** **Lunch & Networking**
Location: *Room of the Dons*
- 12:45 p.m.** **Early Career Financial Management**
James Dahle, MD, FACEP
- 1:45 p.m.** **Your Questions Answered: Truths About Becoming a Rheumatologist**
Panelists: Joyce Joseph, MD; Firas Kassab, MD, FACR; Christopher Sonntag, MD
Moderator: Gwenesta Melton, MD, FACR
- 2:45 p.m.** *Break*
- 3:00 p.m.** **The Anatomy of a Lawsuit**
James S. Haliczzer, Esq
- 3:45 p.m.** **Important Issues in Coding**
Jean Acevedo, LHRM, CPC, CHC, CENT, AAPC Fellow
- 4:45 p.m.** **Closing Remarks**
Gary Feldman, MD, FACR
- 5 – 6 p.m.** **Networking Reception**
Location: *Room of the Dons*

PROGRAM MATERIALS



Speaker biographies and presentation materials are available in CSRO's Education Library.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY



Fellow Exclusive! CSRO is recruiting for a Fellow-at-Large to serve as a non-voting member of our Board of Directors for a one-year term beginning May 1.

This position provides a unique experience for a Fellow to engage with CSRO's Board members, who are rheumatologists from across the United States with years of varied career experiences, and to be a liaison to other fellows about the importance of advocacy in rheumatology. Learn more and apply by **March 30**.

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ABOUT CSRO

Officially founded in 2003, this year marks *two decades* of CSRO serving as a **voice for the rheumatology community**, working to ensure patients have access to the highest quality of care.

Established as a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, the Coalition of State Rheumatology Organization (CSRO) is **comprised of nearly every active state rheumatology society in the nation**, more than 30 state and regional professional rheumatology societies in total.

The mission of CSRO is to **advocate for excellence in the field of rheumatology, ensuring access to the highest quality care for the management of rheumatologic and musculoskeletal disease**. For 20 years CSRO has remained dedicated to empowering rheumatologists and their practices with resources to proactively increase patient access to rheumatologic care and medication, and to improve the practice environment for rheumatologists in private practice.

In this endeavor, CSRO is pleased to offer a wide range of materials to state and regional rheumatology organizations and their members, host seminal advocacy events, support advocacy activities by individual state societies, and advocate on the state and national level on behalf of rheumatologists.

ADVOCACY

The challenging health care environment greatly affects the way rheumatologists manage their practices. It can interfere with patient access to care and force rheumatologists to make difficult decisions. State legislatures are considering an increasing amount of legislation that impact the rheumatology community.

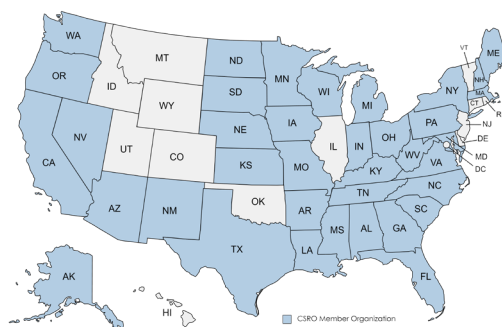
In response, rheumatologists must be engaged at both the state and federal levels to protect their patients and their livelihood. CSRO is at the forefront of state, federal, and payer policies working to grant access, affordability, and relief for the rheumatology community by focusing on nonpartisan education of legislators, government officials and the corporate community on the impact that policy and procedural changes may have to the patient's quality of care and disease management options.

Find a listing of CSRO's priority issues on our website, and click through to learn about what they are, how they impact you, and what CSRO is doing about them.



STATE SOCIETIES

CSRO is comprised of nearly every active state rheumatology society in the nation, working together to advocate on behalf of the rheumatology community at the state and federal level to protect patients' quality of care and disease management options, as well as the livelihood of rheumatologists.



State societies are a great resource for connecting with the rheumatology community in your area, as well as receiving CME credits through the society's annual meeting – find a listing of CSRO's members on our website for more details.



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