New Mexico Society of Otolaryngology Minutes
Friday, May 17, 2019
Hotel Parq Central
5pm

Attendees:

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| Members | Residents | Guests |
| Erica Bennet, MDTara Brennan, MDWhitney Brennan, CNPRonald Escudero, MDChristine Fordham, MDDavid Gallegos, MDKaren Hawley, MDLily Love, MDDuncan Meiklejohn, MDLiat Shama, MDMichael Spafford, MDAjit Tipirneni, MDDean Yannias, MD | Elizabeth Blasberg, MDBrian Husen, MDRobert Nicholas, MDSherna Sheth, MDKatherine Vandenberg, MD | Janalee Stokken, MDSunny Desai, MDElizaveta Rogol, MD |

Total: 21

* Call to order – Tara Brennan, MD
* Society Updates/Voting
	+ Dr. Kraai and Resident Dr. Vanina Chavarri attended spring leadership forum
		- Dr. Hawley read updates/experience from Dr. Chavarri
* Socioeconomic Grassroots Committee Update – Duncan Meiklejohn, MD
	+ The BOG has a Payer tool kit that is used to solve carrier pay issues for unlisted codes including a contact person on their website.
	+ There is a Work Development Plan which is currently addressing risk adjustment and ways to respond to internet ratings and complaints—unclear how this is going to work.
	+ The physician payment policy group was able to rescind the proposed 50% payment reduction for office visits that occur on the same day of a procedure.
	+ RUC surveys are performed 3 times per year – they are important in establishing appropriate RVU levels and compensation.
	+ BOG recommends we have a lawyer for consulting – discussed having Mark Fine as a potential source
* Legislative Affairs Committee Update – Karen Hawley, MD
	+ Update in State Legislative issues – passing of bill allowing NPs and midwives to admit patients
	+ Update in Federal laws effecting us – over the counter hearing aids, scope of practice
	+ Ways to participate in advocacy
		- ENT PAC, Project 535, State Tracker, IGO
* Dinner and guest speaker
	+ Janalee Stokken, MD – Individualized Care for Chronic Rinosinusitis
* Next meeting will be October 4, 2019 at Hotel Chaco. Will be electing a new program chair
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