



**Indian Doctors Association -
Greater Houston**
July 2019 Edition

President's Message

One of the many goals of IDA is to keep the membership informed of changes to our daily medical practices. Below is an article published by the Texas State Board of Pharmacy regarding new PMP requirement.

Jignesh Shah, MD

Texas Prescription Monitoring Program

New Requirement in March 2020

The Texas Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) collects and monitors prescription data for all Schedule II, III, IV, and V Controlled Substances (CS) dispensed by a pharmacy in Texas or to a Texas resident from a pharmacy located in another state. The PMP also provides a database for monitoring patient prescription history for practitioners and the ordering of Texas Schedule II Official Prescription Forms. Click [here](#) for more information about the PMP.

All Texas-licensed pharmacies are required to report all dispensed controlled substances records to the Texas Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) **no later than the next business day** after the prescription is filled.

The reporting requirement applies to all Schedule II, III, IV, and V controlled substances.

Beginning March 1, 2020, pharmacists and prescribers (other than a veterinarian) will be required to check the patient's PMP history before dispensing or prescribing opioids, benzodiazepines, barbiturates, or carisoprodol.

Pharmacists and prescribers are encouraged to check the PMP to help eliminate duplicate and overprescribing of controlled substances, as well as to obtain critical controlled substance history information.

For more information, please go to the Texas State Board of Pharmacy or [click here](#)

IDA July Event



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It is VERY IMPORTANT that your profile is updated so you can send you all the latest information and updates from IDA.

Questions? Send an email to idahoustontx@gmail.com

MEMBER’S CORNER

New Member Nilesh Chaudhari, MD

I am an Orthopedic Surgeon specializing in Hand, Upper Extremity, and Foot & Ankle Surgery. I’ve been practicing at the University of Alabama at Birmingham for the last 10 years. In addition to my practice, I have been involved with the Orthopedic Surgery residency as well as the Fellowship program in Hand, Upper Extremity, Microsurgery and Foot & Ankle Surgery; serving as the Associate Program Director

for the Fellowship program. After serving 10 years in a Level 1 trauma center, we decided to move to the Houston area, which is closer to our family. I will be joining Dr. Omkar Dave’s practices at the Pearland and Friendswood locations, starting in August of this year.

I discovered the IDA during my trip to Houston in April of 2019. An old friend of mine, Dr. Paresh Patel, invited me to an IDA meeting. Not only was I thoroughly impressed with the entire venue and curriculum, the IDA activities related to charity services and the scholarship program also caught my attention. I was privileged to meet many IDA members and decided to become an IDA member, myself. I attended another IDA event, a month later at Clear Lake, and was warmly welcomed by all members and current President, Dr. Jignesh Shah. I am already feeling right at home in Houston.

I am very excited to help the Houston community with their Orthopedic needs including but not limited to: fractures, arthritis, connective tissue disorders, compression neuropathy, foot and hand deformities of adults as well as children. Seeing the happiness and satisfaction on my patients’ faces after fixing fractured bones joints or correcting a deformity is one of the best parts of orthopedic surgery.

Let me not forget to mention, my loving wife Urmila and my three beautiful children: Vishwa (13 years), Jia (11 years) and Sohum (8 years). I look forward to participating in many of the future IDA activities and getting to know everyone in the Houston area!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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Save the Dates

2019-2020

Aug: Sugarland Mixer

Sept: Memorial City/Katy Mixer

Oct: Wine & Car Fundraiser

Dec: Houston Food Bank Corporate Event

Jan: Public Awareness Program at Schools

Feb: 2nd Annual CME Conference

Mar: Picnic



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