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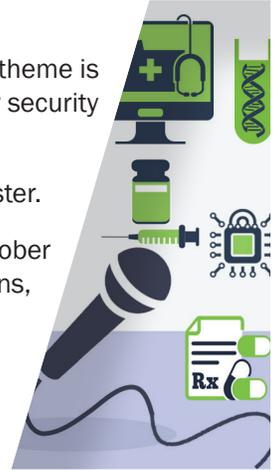
## It's Early Bird Registration Time for ISMIE's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Risk Management Symposium Nov. 17, Part of a Busy Fall Season of Risk Management Education Events

Make plans to attend the 2nd Annual ISMIE Risk Management Symposium on November 17. This year's theme is "Emerging Risks," focusing on changing care models, genetic testing, opioid abuse, polypharmacy, cyber security and health IT. The event will be at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare in Rosemont from 8:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Go to [www.ismierms.com](http://www.ismierms.com), email [riskmanagement@ismie.com](mailto:riskmanagement@ismie.com) or call 800-782-4767, ext. 3300, to register.

This event is free to all ISMIE-insured physicians and clinicians and a \$99 early-bird rate (\$199 after October 1) is available to employed staff of ISMIE policyholders. Early registration for all other physicians, clinicians, practice administrators and risk managers is \$399 (\$499 after October 1).

A limited number of rooms are available at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare for a conference rate starting at \$149. Book at [www.ismie.com/hotel](http://www.ismie.com/hotel).



### Don't miss the rest of these upcoming ISMIE Live Events:

**August 22, 2017 | Noon – 1 p.m. | Webinar**  
Opioid Prescribing: Safe Practice, Changing Lives: Part 2  
Register at [www.ismie.com/opioid](http://www.ismie.com/opioid).

**October 26, 2017 | 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. | Seminar**  
Professional Liability Litigation: Finding the Support You Need  
Register at [www.ismie.com/support](http://www.ismie.com/support).

**September 28, 2017 | Noon – 3 p.m. | Seminar**  
Fellowship Fundamentals: Communications  
Register at [www.ismie.com/communications](http://www.ismie.com/communications).

**November 2, 2017 | 9 a.m. – Noon | Seminar**  
Dissecting Diagnostic Error  
Register at [www.ismie.com/diagnostic](http://www.ismie.com/diagnostic).

**October 10, 2017 | 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. | Seminar**  
Optimizing Communication Surrounding the Hospitalized Patient  
Register at [www.ismie.com/hospital](http://www.ismie.com/hospital).

**November 28, 2017 | 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. | Seminar**  
Communications for Staff: The Keys to Building Trust and Improving the Patient Experience  
Register at [www.ismie.com/staff](http://www.ismie.com/staff).

## ISMIE Updates Illinois Premium Rates for 2017-18

Each year, ISMIE reviews all specialties, territories and other factors that determine our individual premium levels. During our most recent review, it was determined that Illinois' average base premium would increase 0.2% overall, driven by a rate rebalancing across all specialties and territories.

While ISMIE strives to maintain a level premium and most policyholders will only experience a nominal change for 2017-18, two counties and one specialty have received notable adjustments.

Peoria and Will counties will experience

an increase of 11.1% and 5% respectively based on loss trends, while favorable experience for Illinois orthopedic surgeons (no spinal) will reduce their premiums 6% for the coming year.

All changes to ISMIE policyholder premiums will be applied at renewal.

It's important to note that ISMIE policyholders have had recent good news on premium credits.

First, eligible individual policyholders now receive a new individual rating

credit discount averaging 7.7% at renewal. Previously, this discount was reserved only for clinics.

Second, policyholders will receive another round of dividends this year applied as premium credits. As of July 1, ISMIE began distributing a \$16 million dividend for 2017-18 to policyholders, raising the total awarded to \$226.6 million over the life of the program.

If you have questions, contact your broker or ISMIE's underwriting team at 800-782-4767 or by emailing [underwriting@ismie.com](mailto:underwriting@ismie.com).

## How Illinois Physicians See Their Jobs

**“Most satisfying”**  
about medical practice:

**79.7%**

Patient relationships

**59.5%**

Intellectual stimulation

**17.5%**

Interaction with colleagues

**17.5%**

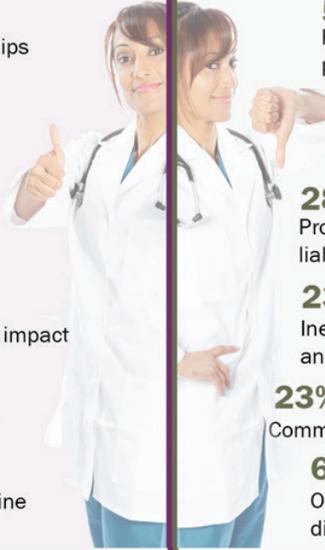
Social-community impact

**15.2%**

Financial rewards

**8.5%**

Prestige of medicine



**“Least satisfying”**  
about medical practice:

**55.5%**

Regulatory/  
paperwork burdens

**34.8%**

Erosion of  
clinical autonomy

**28.5%**

Professional  
liability concerns

**23.6%**

Inefficient EHR design  
and interoperability

**23%**

Commoditization of medicine

**6.9%**

Online misinformation  
directed at patients

Source: The Physicians Foundation. [A Survey of American Physicians: Practice Patterns and Perspectives](#). Illinois data.

## Did You Miss the July 31 Deadline to Renew Your Illinois Medical and Controlled Substance Licenses? Act TODAY

Midnight on July 31 was the deadline to renew your Illinois three-year medical and controlled substance licenses. If you missed the deadline, we are now in a 90-day period of retroactive renewal that allows any license renewed by Oct. 31 to be considered retroactive to August 1. Here are your steps:

- 1. Go to IDFP.com** to download the renewal form or call 800-560-6420 to obtain one. **Online renewal is no longer available.** When filling out the form, you will need your **medical license number, Social Security number, and date of birth** to complete your renewal.
- 2. Be ready to pay a late fee.** If you're an Illinois-based physician, you will now pay a total of \$920 to renew your medical license (on-time fee was \$690). However, there's no late fee for renewing a controlled substance license.
- 3. Be prepared to document your CME hours.** Physicians who renewed before July 31 were simply required to attest completion of the mandatory 150 hours of CME required for renewal. Physicians renewing late will be asked to provide documentation that those hours have been completed.



ISMIE's renewal hotline is now closed for the season. We are proud to have assisted more than 1,000 Illinois doctors with license renewal this cycle.

Although we are no longer processing renewals, we are more than happy to assist with any remaining licensure questions emailed to [licensure@ismie.com](mailto:licensure@ismie.com).