



# 2017

ISMS in review

## Legislative Activity

### HB 311 (NAT Act) Crafted by ISMS

Ensures health insurance companies meet patients' needs – transparent health plans and no disruption in care.

### HB 1805 (Organ Donor Registry)

ISMS supported legislation expanding the organ donor registry to 16- and 17-year-olds.

### Resisted Workers' Compensation Cuts

ISMS once again prevented further cuts to the medical fee schedule in the workers compensation system.

### SB 1754 (Lay Midwife Licensure)

ISMS prevented licensure of direct-entry midwives again in 2017.



## House of Delegates



**Res. B204 Adopted – Improved the Insurance Appeals Process:** requires insurance companies to provide criteria when a prior authorization request is denied.

**Res. C300 Adopted – Telemedicine Principles:** adopted principles to guide the use of telemedicine within Illinois and across state boundaries.

### 118 Delegates attended

ISMS members represented all areas of the state for policy and decision making.

### 53 Total Resolutions

ISMS members had a chance to influence ISMS policy and directives.

## Communications

**4**  
issues of

### Off the Charts

Essential information for practice management professionals.

**24**  
issues of

### Physician Advocate

Medical legal news, physician news, CME/GME information, advocacy updates.

**Yearly**

### Case studies and Issue Briefs

ISMS decodes rules and regulations applying to the medical profession.

## Education

### ISMS is a CME accreditor

we accredit more than

**35 organizations**

providing you access to CME resources.



**ISMS is also a CME provider – we will be coming out with a new education portal in 2018,** which means ISMS members have even more access to free/discounted CME resources.

## Discounts

**5% off**  
your dues

**If you choose to renew and elect “continuous membership”**

### Your dues are tax deductible!

In 2016, ISMS membership dues were

**91% tax deductible**

### Resources:

Have a question? Give us a call! Our Health Policy, Legal, Government Affairs, and Outreach teams are here to help!

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